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| LAMBLEY PARISH COUNCIL  Minutes of the Annual Parish Meeting held on  Monday 21 July 2025 at 6.30pm  Committee Room, Lambley Village Hall |

ACTIONS

Present: Parish Council Members: Cllrs. L Milbourn, C Starr, R Vincent,

A Musson, J Gregory, J Proctor, H Greensmith, J Stoll, S Harraway.

Parish Clerk: EwaStrumnik – minute taker

In attendance: Philip Cox, Church Warden - Holy Trinity Church, Ann Gee

– Village Hall Committee, Amy and Luke from the Play Park Working Group

34.09 Apologies

Cllrs. K Stevenson, J Loftus and R Melvin

35.00 Declaration of Interest

None.

35.01 Welcome and Introductions

Welcome to Amy and Luke from the Play Park Working Group.

**35.02 Minutes of the Meeting held on 16 June 2025 & Matters Arising**

Pg.1 The Reed Pond Committee raised £1842 at their Quiz Night. They have secured a grant for £10K.

Pg. 3 Volunteers are needed to remove the rubbish left at the cemetery -

Cllr Musson has agreed to use his trailer.

The minutes were accepted.

**35.03Cllr H Greensmith updates**

Cllr Greensmith is supporting the Play Park Working Group and will send information showing the different funds available.

GBC has a full council meeting next Wednesday to discuss the Local Government

Reorganisation and the local plan. John Clarke, the leader of the council does not want to be part of the City Council.

The Gedling Local Plan briefing document has been sent which Cllr Greensmith has summarised. GBC will ask for Parish Council feedback via an online survey; however a letter would voice a stronger opinion. The process starts today until early September.

Currently there is no process for the evaluation. Planning developments have been identified in Lowdham and neighbouring parishes. All the identified sites in Lambley have previously been evaluated and the flooding issue will go against plans. Some sites are too steep or too wet. The site behind the school is medieval ridge and furrow land. Woodborough Parish Council are organising an extra parish meeting to consider their response. They are considering a leaflet drop to let residents know. Cllr Greensmith will send a leaflet to Cllr Gregory for the Parish magazine. Residents are against development in their village. In Lambley, the sewerage system would be overloaded and there are ongoing issues with the pumping station however the utility services would be bound to update systems.

**35.04 Cllr J Stoll updates**

Councillor Stoll asked to speak to Severn Trent re: sewerage and to chase up the issue with lighting column outside the school.

Cllr Starr thanked him for his help regarding the bridge – this will be monitored.

Cllr Stoll reported that a full council meeting was held 2 weeks ago. No decision has been made regarding the Local Government review. The Government is looking to move to a unitary model and away from local borough councils. Various options are being considered and these must be submitted in November. The final Government decision will take effect from April 2028. There will be a new shadow authority from April 2027 with elections running alongside existing borough council elections during the transition. The reasons for the review include cost savings. The feeling is that no one wants to join Nottingham City Council due to the current financial problems. There is no consultation with parish councils or residents. Parish Councils will remain. Cllr Stoll will share any information received. Lambley would like to continue to be in a rural community and the wider feeling is that everyone wants to keep things as they are. Cllr Stoll will push for Lambley, Woodborough and Calverton to be separate.

Cllr Gregory informed Cllr Stoll that the bridlepath from Lambley to Burton Joyce is impassable due to a dead tree and ivy.

Funds from the Village Show will cover the cost of work re: leaky dams, to be carried out by the Trent Rivers Trust. Nick Wilding has been very helpful in making this possible.

**35.05 Play Park Working Group**

Rose Melvin sent her apologies. Amy reported that the consultation phase has been completed. Meetings have taken place with the organisers of other new parks and

surveys have been sent out to residents via Facebook, Lambley Life and notice boards.

66 responses have been received. 8 questions were asked and the working group

now have an idea of what is wanted. 186 children were asked to vote on equipment and activities. Many children wanted a zip wire. The group are now looking at fundraising. They have a list of organisations offering grants: Landfill, the National Lottery etc. The group will decide on the available funding and set a timeline. The majority of the

expense will be the flooring and there are 3 grades – bronze, silver and gold. Landfill

has been giving substantial grants recently. NCC own the land and the

Parish Council own and are responsible for the play park equipment. There is no documentation to this effect, only a word of mouth long-time agreement. The group

will double check the ownership with Land Registry. The current play park was

installed in approx. 2005. The working group have booked a stall at the Village Show

and will be organising a Friends of Lambley Play Park Facebook page. The plaque re: King George Playing Field has not been found – the tardis will be checked. Clerk to

check that the Parish insurance covers the play park.

35.06 Village Maintenance

No plant boxes have been ordered and the ones on Main Street are empty. The one on Green lane could do with replacing. Ian Kassell has small boxes. Ann Gee let the council know that Ellie Smith from Spring Lane is a recently qualified joiner and Ann has asked her for a quote to replace some of the boxes.

The ivy on the tree at No.8 Main Street needs to be removed and there is a dead tree there, leaning towards the fence which also needs to be removed. Cllr Musson will take a look. Cllr Milbourn has purchased 2 storage units (one will be stored at the vicarage and the other outside Cllr. Milbourn’s house) for flooding equipment from the funding previously received.

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**CLERK**

35.07 Finance

The budget was distributed and Cllr Vincent explained the format.

35.08 Planning Applications

No current planning applications.

35.09 Shared Used Agreement

There has been no progress however the Village Hall Committee are only paying 15%

of utility bills. Cllr Starr had been hoping to get the figures from the school. These will

now be checked in September. Clerk to add this as an agenda item for September.

Ann Gee asked to speak to the Village Hall Committee re: over flushing toilets.

36.00 Flooding

A lot of flood warnings have been received. Josh has informed Cllr Milbourn that

head torches are available to flood wardens – now received. The

Environment Agency is trialling a new flood warning system.

Lambley Road will close again for a week commencing Monday 28 July.

36.01 Road Safety

Cllr Gregory and Pam Shipley used the speed gun last week and caught 23 speeding cars,

one travelling at 56mph. The drivers will receive a letter or a visit from the police, depending on the speed.

Trevor will have a look re: parking on the brow of the hill – Green Lane.

Discussion took place re: buses passing each other through the village. The roads are

narrow and the electric buses are wider - this can make it quite dangerous to pavement users.

A resident on Green Lane has enquired about the possibility of road humps to slow

drivers down. Cllr Stoll to be informed that white lines are needed at the top of Green

Lane. Parking is bad on Green Lane and the blind bend is dangerous.

Another resident has requested double yellow lines on the Woodlark bend. This needs t

to be discussed as parking will be pushed to elsewhere (the landlord of the Woodlark intends to attend the next Parish Meeting)

36.02 Magazine Update

A £750 donation has been received.

**34.06 Asset List**

Discussion re: realistic or nominal figures. To be discussed at the September meeting.

34.07 Correspondence

The family of Margaret Powell to be charged the resident fee for the internment.

**34.08 Any Other Business**

Cllr Gregory to add a note in the magazine re: cutting back shrubs etc. hanging over

fencing and impeding people walking on the pavement. There are areas in the village where road side visibility is severely restricted.

Next month, Cllr Harraway will put in an application re: Bonfire Night parking, there will be a fee. Signs will need to go on lamp posts that parking is restricted. Even though

bollards were used last year, drivers moved them! She will also apply for a temporary licence. A Bonfire Night meeting is being held tomorrow.

Ann Gee proposed that the bridge next to the woodlark also be painted and the

vegetation cut back. She presented a quote from RJC for £467 – this was agreed.

CLERK

ANN GEE

The frontage of the Village Hall is being replaced at the end of August – paid for by the

Village Hall.

The contractor who painted the railings has some black paint left and has offered to

paint the bench on Main Street free of charge.

The new vicar has arrived and she is going to hold clinics to meet parishioners. Councillors have asked Philip to invite her to a parish council meeting

Meeting closed at 8.45pm

**Date of next meeting: Monday 15 September 2025, 6.30pm**