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| **LAMBLEY PARISH COUNCIL**  **Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on**  **Monday 17th April 2023 at 7.10pm**  **Committee Room, Lambley Village Hall** |

**Present:** **Parish Council Members**: Cllrs D Edwards (Chair),L Milbourn (Vice Chair), C Starr, J Loftus

**Co-opted Members:** Cllrs; A Musson, K Stevenson

**In attendance**: S Harraway, Philip Cox, Church Warden, Holy Trinity Church C Saxton, Clerk, Joanne Chatterton

**23.07 Apologies**

These were received at the Annual Parish Meeting.

**23.08 Declaration of Interest**

No interests were declared by those present.

**23.09 Welcome and Introductions**

The Chair welcomed everyone to the April meeting.

**23.10 Minutes of the Meeting held on 20th March 2023 & Matters Arising**

The Minutes of the meeting held on 20th March 2023 were approved subject to the following amendments:

Page 1: ***Spring Lane and Green Lane****: have some ring fenced money coming from government which is going to be used to open up the Mineral Line* – Clerk to check with Cllr Elliott if this was correct - Clerk

Page 3: **Village Maintenance *-*** *Cllr Starr reported that at the corner of Dam Yard the property owner’s hedge is growing out again*. This was incorrectly minuted as Cllr Starr hadn’t reported this.

**Proposed by Chair and seconded by Cllr Loftus.**

**Matters Arising:**

1. Chasing outstanding issues with Cllr Elliott/Cllr Greensmith when elections have taken place.
2. Lease on Gedling Country Park – Chair has asked for clarification on this.
3. Elections: Lambley proposed 9 Councillors and as it was uncontested all were elected.
4. Chase road markings

**23.11 Cllr B Elliott & Cllr H Greensmith updates.**

Due to the upcoming local elections, the pre-election period (purdah) which started on the 27th March, Cllr Greensmith had sent apologies and Cllr Elliott sent apologies due to other commitments.

**Councillor B Elliott**

**Outstanding Issues:**

* **Gulley cleansing**: It was reported by Cllr Starr that Gulley cleansing hadn’t been done and were blocked, especially on Park Lane. This has been in the minutes since October. LPC still haven’t received the plan of the numbered gulleys yet from Cllr Elliott. To be reported again - Clerk
* **Issues on the entrance to the Church Yard from Trinity Crescent where the path is now uneven (Footpath FP23)**: Nothing further to report. Cllr Elliott to talk to householder re her trees – Cllr Elliott
* **Overhanging trees on Steeles way:** Still ongoing.
* Still to action the bent warning sign which has not been replaced. Cllr Elliott has logged with NCC but this needs repairing again.
* **Bollards and railings on Park Lane to be repaired**. Cllr Starr asked Cllr Elliott if he could arrange for an inspector to have a look at these as nothing had been done to date. Cllr Elliott confirmed he would action this – Cllr Elliott has logged with NCC. Issue re ownership. County Council had painted them in the past. Again Cllr Starr reported this has been outstanding for many months. Tree stump needs removing. Cllr Elliott had requested this but not been actioned. Cllr Elliott will take this up – Cllr Elliott
* **Catfoot Lane interactive speed sign**: Cllr Elliott has put this as a priority due to being told by the county council that we will no longer be having a sign due to budget constraints. Has been raised as one of the area priorities. Chair has responded to ask for another traffic survey as there has been an increase in traffic flows since the large island at Catfoot Lane has been installed, and the roadwork’s removed along Mapperley Top. – Nothing further to report.
* **Potholes in the village/infill of the Gypsy Bank/parking issues**: Maintenance had taken place on some potholes in the village but there were still a lot to do, especially on Church Street. The works on Gypsy Bank will be completed but Cllr Elliott couldn’t confirm an exact date – Cllr Elliott has logged with NCC. Potholes down to finance, and some money should come from the ring fenced funds from government, no timeline as yet. Spring Lane also needs to be done
* Footpath opposite the church up to number 16 is in need of repair.
* Parking problems outside the Woodlark since they put decking down during Covid which is causing issues on the bend.

**Councillor Greensmith**

Nothing to report as Helen had sent her apologies

* 1. **Flooding Update**

Trash screen has now been installed on Park Lane. This is much more robust but has a padlock on the gate. The Chair will be meeting Callum Smith and will be given the key which will be kept my Cllr Milbourn. Still waiting for trash screen at Dam Yard.

Not heard further from Severn Trent about sewage on the road, every time this happens Cllr Milbourn reports and Helen Greensmith had previously written a very strong letter about this.

Cllr Gregory had reported flooding on previous Friday afternoon. Sara Harraway will check with Cllr Gregory if this was significant and where flood was located – S Harraway

**23.13 Village Maintenance**

Cllr Starr has received two quotes from Tim Tritton, one to update the play park which included painting £1,435. This is for replacement of the posts which have deteriorated, labour and painting. The other quote was to paint the railings around the village which was for £1,500.

Cllr Milbourn has been to visit the cemetery and this is looking fantastic. Cllr Starr re-iterated what an asset Tim Tritton is to the Parish Council.

The drain at the bottom of Catfoot Lane and all Church Street down Park Lane to the cemetery is still blocked and this should be cleared as part of the Gulley Cleansing. This will be raised with Cllr Elliott as a matter of urgency.

They all need to be cleared out and then a schedule of gulley cleansing should be put in place.

* 1. **Finance**

1. **Expenditure/Income/Budget:** The 2023/23 budget had been updated by the Clerk and presented to Councillors. The finances are largely in line with expected budget. Cllr Musson has an invoice for £1,200 for plants provided over the past 3 years. This will be added to the budget and payment made when the invoice had been received - Clerk

The fencing around the play park needs replacing because the main posts at the bottom are rotting which raises health & safety concerns.

No objections to improvements to the play park or the painting of the railings subject to budget constraints and Tim Tritton providing a risk assessment. Cllr Starr will contact him – Cllr Starr

**AGREED to ask Tim Tritton to undertake the work subject to budget constraints and risk assessments.**

1. **Payments for Authorisation:** The Clerk presented the financial statement for April and 5 payments, totalling £1,076.57, were approved for payment and signed.
2. **Online Banking:** It was agreed to add Joanne Chatterton to the Parish Council Natwest Bank Account & remove Catriona Saxton at a later date once Joanne has been added. Clerk
   1. **Planning Applications**

No weekly list out this Monday. Clerk will circulate when received. Observations are on drop box for the next application due. - Clerk

* 1. **Review of the Parish Plan**

All Councillors had been asked to look at the Parish Plan on drop box and prioritise the different areas

Cllr Milbourn wanted a priorities list from all Councillors.

Cllr Milbourn suggested that road safety should be put down as the parish councils first priority which encompasses traffic. He had written to the local police inspector and asked him if he would be available to attend a parish council meeting. Although no reply had been received, the traffic warden had been in the village at school time and ticketed a few cars which were not parked correctly. Hopefully this will make people think about parking. With reference to traffic survey this was promised to be done once the new road was up and running. Cllr Milbourn had asked for the results.

It was suggested that discussion with the new landlords at the Lambley regarding allowing parents to park in the Lambley at school drop off/pick up time again.

Cllr Milbourn went round and asked each Cllr their priority

**Main Themes:**

Traffic/speeding

State of footpaths/road surfaces

Environment – flooding

Information signs around the village

Protecting nature of village and stopping it becoming a suburb

Maintaining contact with the Police

Amenities within the village i.e. medical services

To be sent out to households for comment in the coming weeks. To advertise in the newsletter (a couple of A4 sides) and also on Facebook with a link to the full report or if people want to receive the full report a copy can be sent.

Parish Plan to be put on the agenda for June. This would give residents the opportunity to attend and comment/express opinions - Clerk

* 1. **Road Safety Update**

Cllr Starr had received complaints from two residents on Green Lane regarding speeding traffic. They would like speed bumps and cameras to be put up. Cllr Starr also received a letter setting out concerns. Speeding is a big issue in the village, Cllr Starr has raised this before but wishes speeding concerns to minuted, this is not just volume of traffic.

Cllr Star was asked to mention to residents on Green Lane that they may wish to do a speed watch – Cllr Starr

**23.18 Magazine Update**

Nothing to report.

* 1. **Correspondence**

1. **The WI Calendar of the pictures of the decorated bus shelter**

The WI wishes to put pictures of the bus shelter to create a Lambley calendar but is looking to the Parish Council to fund. As the previous calendar hadn’t sold well it was agreed that unfortunately as parish funds are stretched at the moment we are unable to fund this.

Letter received from the Nottinghamshire Association of Local Councils who is part of a national network representing Town and Parish Councils and Parish Meetings. They provide advice, information and support for members, training for clerks and councillors. The membership cost would be £200 per year. Cllr Milbourn to ask if they could do an overview and examples of what work they have already done for other Councils and if they would be able to attend a parish council meeting in future.

Email received thanking Lambley Parish Council for facilitating the work undertaken on the footpath near the Woodlark. Anne Gee had pointed out weeds coming up out of the tarmac and it was agreed that Cllr Starr would ask Tim Tritton to weed kill these – Cllr Starr

* 1. **Any Other Business**

Cllr Stevenson drew attention to the typing error on the dates of the meetings in 2023. It should read 16th October. This would be amended and sent to Cllr Milbourn for the website and Cllr Gregory for replacing on the notice boards - Clerk

Philip Cox had received a donation of pots of daffodils and hyacinth bulbs which he will talk to Cllr Gregory about planting.

Cllr Starr confirmed the benches will be sited at Reed Pond this month. A photo to be taken for the magazine when in situ.

Cllr Milbourn and Cllr Starr had attended the meeting regarding the heating system with representatives from the school and contractor and updated Cllrs on discussions at the meeting. Clllr Starr asked for his list of items requiring change to be forwarded to Helen Smith at NCC – Clerk.

The school head has asked for a list of hire charges/hirers**.**

Chair gave an update on the issue at the cemetery.

Cllr Milbourn confirmed our insurance cover contained public liability insurance but hirers would still be asked to provide their own public liability insurance.

**23.21 Date of Next meeting:**

Monday 15th May 2023 at 7pm in the Village Hall.

**Meeting Closed:** 8.45pm