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| LAMBLEY PARISH COUNCIL  DRAFT  Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on  Monday 17th June 2024 at 6.30pm  Committee Room, Lambley Village Hall |

ACTIONS

Present: Parish Council Members: Cllrs. D Edwards, L Milbourn, K Stevenson,

C Starr, A Musson, S Harraway, J Loftus, R Vincent, Cllr B Elliott

Parish Clerk: Ewa Strumnik – minute taker

In attendance: A Gee (Village Hall Committee),Philip Cox, Church Warden - Holy Trinity Church.

25.13 Apologies

Cllr Gregory and Cllr Greensmith

25.14 Declaration of Interest

None

25.15 Welcome and Introductions

Welcome to Rose Melvyn, Jane Proctor and Annette Gordon who have shown interest in becoming co-opted members of the Parish Council.

25.16 Minutes of the Meeting held on 20 May2024 & Matters Arising

Pg.2 There has been no response to the Parish Report.

Cllr Musson has replaced the broken wooden post for the water tap at the cemetery.

Pg. 3 VIA have paid in the money for the Lengthsman Scheme for 2023 financial

year.

Cllr Milbourn has spoken to GBC re: flood alleviation fund. They have asked him to list the items required. Agreed that 2 storage bins (one to go in the Vicarage yard and the other to go on Cllr Milbourn’s drive) to store flooding signs and equipment. 5 long rakes are also to be requested.

Readings are to be collected on 21 June re: Shared Use Agreement as a

visit from ARC has been rearranged for that date.

The cemetery sub-group is to meet in the next 2 weeks.

25.17 Cllr. B Elliott

Cllr Elliott reported that he had had a meeting with the new Police Crime Commissioner, Gary Godden. Rural crime is on the increase. Sheep have been

stolen from farms.

Funding for cameras was discussed. Fly tipping is also a problem, Catfoot Lane is

a hotspot.

Spring Lane is to be resurfaced this summer with a night time road closure and

efforts have been made not to coincide with other road works. Flood alleviation

work continues in Lowdham, which will divert water from Lambley and several landowners are being asked to enter into agreements.

Questions have been collated for Grenergy by Ian. Lambley will be affected the

most.

Parish Councils are getting ready for the General Election. Clerk to enquire how

much neighbouring parishes charge for the use of village halls as Polling Stations.

Cllr Starr enquired if there had been any movement re: Gypsy Bank as it

continues to be in a poor state, better visibility is needed and the verges need to be cut.

Cllr Boyd reported that some of the old style lighting columns in Woodborough will need to be replaced as replacement parts are no longer available. Several lighting

columns in Lambley may also need to be replaced although are fine for now.

Cllr Milbourn advised that following a sudden downpour on Sunday evening, Dam Yard was blocked up and water came to the top. A neighbour managed to hook it

all out but it needs to be removed from the side of the road – Cllr Boyd to contact

the street cleaners.

Cllr Elliott, Chair and Vice Chair attended a meeting at Gedling Borough Council re: the Grenergy BESS scheme. The main planning officer attended together with the

head of the planning sub-committee. National Grid identified the site even though

it is on Green Belt. Grenergy have already stated that they will appeal if they are turned down.

25.18 Village Maintenance

Volunteers have been planting the village planters however several are falling

apart. Cllr Vincent to contact Ian Kassell who informed the council that he could source new planters. The planters are being formally planted as normal as latterly agreed.

Cllr Starr advised that the defibrillator has been checked and signed off. He

reported that due to the weather, Tim is 2 months behind. He will be painting the

play park and the railings in the village in August.

The speed sign near Park Lane is being obscured by foliage, Tim to be asked to

cut it back. Cllr Gregory has requested that Tim replace the backs of the

notice boards, at the bottom of the VH steps and the bottom of Orchard Rise.

The footpath at the bottom of Green Lane is very slippery with leaves and the top

of the hedge is very low. Ann will speak to the landowner. VIA to be notified of a

neighbouring tree/shrub which comes out onto the road.

The pavement on theleft hand side, at lower end of Spring Lane up to the bench, is getting narrower due to the overgrown hedging – Tim to be asked to cut back.

Church Warden reported that a parishioner had been involved in a hit and run

incident recently. The incident was caught on a doorbell camera and has been reported to the police.

Chair has received an email regarding overgrown shrubs at the back of some

graves at the top end of the cemetery. Money has been set aside in the budget

for 3 days of cutting back trees/shrubs in the cemetery. Cllr Musson speak

to Matt Hearn to arrange this after the nesting season in August.

Cllr Harraway reminded councillors that Monty Hawe said he would help with a

5-year plan.

25.19 Finance

Clerk reported that she had taken the Parish 2023/2024 accounts to the

accountant. However due to a recent bereavement there would be a delay. The AGAR is due to be submitted at the end of June.

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Councillors approved 6 invoices forpayment with a total of £1449.95.

Cllr Vincent to go through the budget with Clerk.

25.20 Planning Applications

An application has been made for 65 Green Lane.

25.21 Magazine Update

The magazine is going well, there are 2 new advertisers

25.22 Grant Applications

The deadline for grant applications for community engagement is 30 June. Councillors discussed various ideas such as Cowslip Sunday, improvements to

the Village Hall and play park, a memorial garden at the Reed Pond, signs for the Dumbles, village trails showing points of interest in the village, a village beacon for special occasions, wheelchair access to the Dumbles, replacing the kissing gate

to improve access to the Reed Pond and coffee mornings/meals. However, as the deadline is so short, there is not enough time to make a detailed grant application.

Margaret Meadows had been organising the CT4N trips but this has proved time consuming and Margaret does not want to organise any further trips. The PC would like to thank Margaret for all she has done and for continuing to organise the

Tuesday club meet ups.

Councillors discussed the possibility of using the Church Hall for coffee mornings

however the facilities are not practical.

Cllr Harraway is looking into the UK Prosperity Fund.

25.23 Reed Pond

Chair has received a report from the Reed Pond Chair. 3 wooden children’s

benches have been installed. Thanks to Cllr Musson who helped to get the posts

into the ground. The benches are 5 foot long and there are two higher and one

lower bench. The Reed Pond Chair sanded and stained the wood. The benches

are on the south side and have a very good view of the pond.

25.24 Church Maintenance

There is a church ‘tidy-up’ on every 1st Saturday in the month. A local couple

would like to donate £200 for the Church year, to keep it tidy and looked after.

25.26 Correspondence

Chair received an email from Mark Spencer, cancelling the flooding meeting. The

cancellation is due to boundary changes and the General Election being called.

Chair has emailed Josh and Nick to reschedule the meeting.

The chair had received a phone call from a resident reporting that their elderly

father has been unable to gain access to the Reed Pond at the Church

Street entrance due to the hedges on either side being overgrown. Chair to take a look.

25.27 Any Other Business

The road closure scheduled for 22 April has been postponed; the council will be informed of the new date.

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The Lambley will be asked to move their sign away from the newly planted display.

Cllr Stevenson reported that there are a few spaces left at the top of the cemetery, once these have been used, the lower end can be used. The updated Cemetery Regulations and Price List to be publicised on the village website.

Cllr Stevenson has met with Reed Pond House owners re: the east side boundary

and it has been agreed to wait until the end of summer to cut back the brambles

and for the temporary fence to be removed to establish the boundary.

The school head teacher has contacted parents informing them that the afterschool and holiday activities provider has been changed and JPAC will no longer be the provider. The head teacher has not advised the Council of this change despite

there being financial implications re: the Village Hall. The Council need to look at

the tenancy agreement and contact the head teacher to ask why this change has taken place. Parents are not happy according the emails received.

**Date of next meeting: 15 July 2024, 6.30pm**

**Meeting closed at 8.50pm**