

**LANEHAM PARISH COUNCIL**  
Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on  
Monday 8 April 2013 at 7.00pm at the Village Hall, Laneham.

**PRESENT:** Parish Councillors (PCllr) Fred Clark, John Cobb, Elaine Collier (Chair),  
D Myers, Gavin Sumnall. BDC Councillor S Isard. & K Isard  
In attendance: Susan Flye (Clerk)

**1. APOLOGIES**

P Baines, PC B Bailey

**2. DECLARATION OF PERSONAL AND PREJUDICIAL INTERESTS – D Myers – Tingdene..**

**3. POLICE REPORT – no report.**

**4. MINUTES OF MEETING HELD 11 February 2013**

The minutes of the above meetings were agreed to be a true record, proposed by Fred Clark and seconded by Gavin Sumnall.

**5. MATTERS ARISING**

- Notice Board at Church Laneham. G Scrinii had emailed Clerk and confirmed that the notice board was erected by Nottinghamshire County Council as part of a project of various works including the Heritage Trail. It is not connected with the Meadow Group. The meeting agreed to go ahead with EC's quote of £40 + VAT to repair the notice board.
- Large puddle in road at Church Laneham - no progress – Clerk to follow up with NCC Highways.
- Main Street road surface – no progress. Clerk to follow up with NCC Highways.
- BDC grant via Cllrs K & S Isard – Clerk confirmed that the application for a grant towards the upgrade of the oil tank had been submitted and £400 received and banked.
- Passing places Helenship Lane – the Clerk had passed on this recommendation to NCC who replied that a full proposal would be required from LPC detailing why the additional passing places were required eg change of use, increase in type and volume of traffic or other factors. The meeting noted increased traffic via Tingdene and Trentfield Farm and increased use due to the Trent flooding.
- Shortleys Lane – potholes filled with broken tiles considered dangerous. EC waiting for a response from Rampton PC.
- Night time street lights. NCC had confirmed additional all night lights for column 5, Main St/Dunham Rd and column 12, Main St/Broading Lane. Clerk to follow up as reported that this work had not been done.
- Annual Parish Meeting confirmed for Monday 13 May. Chairman's Report (**PB**) and Poor Close Trustees report (**FC**) to be provided at the meeting.

**6. PUBLIC DISCUSSION - The meeting closed at 7.20pm.**

Discussion of the Rendering Plant planning application at Ragnall and agreement that the smell from the plant is a serious problem. Planning permission had been refused by BDC. GS congratulated Cllr Shirley Isard on her submission. The meeting re-opened at 7.25pm.

**7. VILLAGE HALL**

- Oil tanks etc CD/11 servicing and commissioning report. Clerk had provided contact details for Building Regulations, BDC to PB for advice. In PB's absence carried over to next meeting.
- Roof repair quotes. GS confirmed that he had received a second quote for £2,850 for the work – copy to be provided to the Clerk. Jason Oakes confirmed his quote for the work of £1,065. It was proposed by FC that J Oakes' quote be accepted and all agreed. GS was instructed by the meeting to give the go ahead to J Oakes for the work to be carried out as soon as possible.

**8. WAR MEMORIAL**

Clerk had made contact with NCC who met on site with FC, however in the meantime repairs had been completed. The PC is not aware who carried out this work.

**9. CLAYHOUGH LANE**

The PC had been requesting action to tidy up the lane and stop access to 4 wheel vehicles for several years but generally felt that the restoration work done – whilst of excellent quality - was "over the top" and that a pleasant footpath had been turned into a "roadway". After several years of NCC saying that the lane could not be closed to vehicles for legal reasons there was now a gate at both ends. It was

agreed that the job done was much larger than anticipated by the Parish Council and that there should have been greater consultation by NCC – there had been no indication from emails with the Clerk of the extent of the work NCC intended doing.

The Clerk was requested to ask Laura Summers of NCC to attend the next parish council meeting to discuss the work done and the damage to verges and the riverfront caused by large wagons turning. Is this work outstanding? The PC would like to be informed how much the work has cost – a budget for the work had previously been requested but not supplied. Cllr K Isard suggested that a letter to Kay Cutts the leader of NCC might be appropriate.

The PC is also concerned by damage being caused by 4 wheel drive vehicles to other paths and bridleways in the parish. The Clerk was requested to send a strong letter to NCC on the subject.

#### **10. LANE LETTINGS REVIEW**

FC reported on the successful annual lane lettings held on Easter Monday 1 April 2013. All the lanes were let and Corrina Simpson-Kane was successful with the winning tender of £250 for the Poor Close land. It had been agreed that the 2014 Lane Lettings would be held at **6pm** on Easter Monday to try and attract more people.

#### **11. ACCOUNTS**

The Clerk reported that due to the cancellation of the March meeting and the PC's financial year end at 31 March two cheques were signed outside of the meeting by exception – signed by PB, FC and JC.

- M Fanthorpe 000970 £358.33 Cleaning
- S Flye 000971 £106.23 Wage to 11 March 2013

Payment of cheques proposed by F Clark and seconded by J Cobb:

- M Fanthorpe 000972 £358.33 Cleaning
- S Flye 000973 £102.07 Wage to 8 April 2013

Cheque number 000947 payable to DN22 Gardening was cancelled as now out of date.

The Clerk provided copies of the bank reconciliation for quarter 4 to 31 March 2013 and also a draft of the financial statement for the year ending 31 March 2013. This would be submitted for formal approval at the May meeting along with the Audit Commission Annual Return. The Clerk provided detail of the annual governance statement contained in the annual return which also requires the approval of the PC.

The Clerk had contacted Mr John Smith to confirm his assistance again as internal auditor and confirmed that the Audit Commission had now appointed Grant Thornton as auditors, replacing Clement Keys.

The Clerk provided a completed "Notice of Appointment of Date for the Exercise of Electors' Rights", accounts for the year ended 31 March 2013 – which details arrangements for residents to view the Parish Council's accounts by arrangement. EC to place on notice boards.

#### **12. PLANNING**

No new applications to report.

#### **13. CORRESPONDENCE**

The Clerk provided a list and file of correspondence – copy of the list is available on request. E Collier agreed to review the file. In particular the Clerk highlighted Best Kept Village and J Cawthorne (see below), BDC Spring Clean, BDC dog control survey.

8.10pm – J Cobb left the meeting.

#### **14. LANEHAM LAST MONTH**

- Best Kept village – the meeting considered that due to the work required to clear up post the flooding and the continued and serious problem of dog fouling in the village it was not appropriate to enter this year. PCllrs were disappointed to break with this tradition.
- J Cawthorne – dyke opposite Trent View required cleaning out – overgrown and stagnant water. Clerk to contact the Environment Agency. Consideration also requested to tidying up land opposite the Ferry Boat Inn – the meeting felt the main problem is caused by buses using the land to turn around. Clerk requested to make contact with Bus Company.
- Street lights column 2, Broading Lane and 11 Main Street were reported as out of order. Clerk to report to NCC.

- EC confirmed that DN22 Gardening had now carried out the work in respect of pruning work to 2 trees on the Trent bank which was outstanding due to poor weather and conditions.
- Speeding. GS noted very little 30mph signage and suggested illuminated speed warning signs at the entrances to the village and also the possibility of obtaining a speed gun. Clerk to check with PC Bailey how this could be organised.
- Tingdene. DM had declared his personal interest. Tingdene had approached BDC in respect of planning permission for additional homes on their site. BDC had confirmed that under the Core Strategy no further applications would be allowed for Laneham and Church Laneham. Tingdene intended appointing a consultant to submit an application and asked if the PC would support them on the basis of Tingdene's contribution to the village. The PC would need to be cautious – if support Tingdene then other future applicants could request the same support. Item to be placed on agenda for next meeting.
- Grass cutting at Church Laneham. The Clerk was asked to contact Mr Walker to get a provisional date for the first cut.
- Casual vacancy on the parish council – the interest of Mr Geoff Woodfield was noted for inclusion on the agenda for the next meeting.

**THE MEETING CLOSED AT 8.30 PM**