

Meeting of Laneham Parish Council

Minutes of **Laneham Parish Council Meeting** held on the 20th Sep 2021 at Laneham Village Hall, the meeting commenced at 7:00pm.

Council Members & Officer Present: Cllr Malcolm Spray Chairman
Cllr Rosemarie Connole Vice-Chair
Cllr Corinna Reeves
Cllr Ian Warton-Woods
Ed Knox Clerk/Responsible Financial Officer

Also Present 0 Member of the Public
Dist Cllr Shirley Isard
County Cllr John Ogle

43.21 To Approve Apologies for Absence

The Council **noted** the absence of Cllr Beckett. After discussion, the Council resolved to **accept** the apologies of Cllr Kirk due to illness and Cllr Griffin due to work reasons.

44.21 To Record Declarations of Interest in any items to be discussed

None.

45.21 To Approve the previous meeting Minutes

After discussion, the council **resolved** to accept the minutes. The chairman signed the minutes of the previous meeting as a true and accurate record.

46.21 To Receive District & County Councillors Reports

Dist Cllr Isard: The Conservative members of the District Council are opposed to the approval of the Bassetlaw Local Plan in its current state and are objecting. Cllr Ogle will explain further in his County Cllr Report. Dist Cllr Isard gave the clerk the grant application forms to apply for £200 from her Dist Cllrs fund towards the Broadings Lane Playground project. Cllr Spray thanked the Dist Cllr on behalf of the Council.

Dist Cllr Stanniland: Sent apologies and did not attend.

County Cllr Ogle: Bassetlaw Local Plan is being voted on 22nd of the month, County are opposed to it in its current format due to the increased housing across the district which is exceeding the Central Govt targets. County Cllr Ogle explained that there are no funds available at the County Council for improvements or alterations to Helenship Lane in Laneham as the County Council is already over spent on roads. County Cllr Ogle asked that the Parish Council Lengthsman reports any blocked drains with photos, individually on the Notts County Council reporting tool and keeps a note of the reference numbers, so that Cllr Ogle can chase/investigate further if necessary.

➤ Adjournment – 15 Minute Public Forum

The Chairman adjourned the meeting to allow members of the public to speak. No comments. The Chairman reconvened the meeting.

47.21 Finance:

Monthly Income & Expenditure

After discussion of the Financial Information, circulated by email before the meeting, the council unanimously **resolved** to accept them as a true and accurate record.

1. To Approve Payments:

The Council **approved** the following: -

<u>Payee</u>	<u>Item</u>	<u>Amount</u>
Village Warden	Mileage for Playground Inspection Course at York	£61.20
Village Warden	Overnight Accommodation & Meals for Training Course	£121.58
Dunham Parish Council	½ of Rospa Playground Inspection Course Costs	£230.00
2Commue Ltd	Website & Email Hosting 2021	£816.00
S.Ashworth Diggers	Grass Cutting 19.07.21 & 10.08.21 Garth Field	£100.00
Quality Garden Supplies Ltd	Road Salt for Bins and Parish Salt Spreader	£180.00
Village Lengthsman	Wilco Paint	£2.00
Total Payments		<u>£1,510.70</u>

2. Receipts:

<u>From</u>	<u>Item</u>	<u>Amount</u>
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Virgin Money Ltd	Bank Interest	19p
National Grid PLC	Annual Wayleave Payment – Moor Lane	£2.17
Jones & Co	Proceeds of Sale Income	£8,259.60
Laneham Playpark Group	Proceeds of Fund Raising for Broadings Lane Playground Project	£5,000.00
Lottery Community Fund	Grant Broadings Lane Playground Project	£10,000.00
Total Receipts		<u>£23,261.96</u>

Bank Balances

The Current Account Balance **£33,315.77#**

Direct Debits and Standing Orders for staff and agency worker salaries including PAYE and Pension, all **approved** unanimously. **#£20,000 Ringfenced for Play Equipment, Benches, Fencing and Signage for Broadings Lane Playing Field.**

48.21 To Receive an update on Village Gateway Signs

CLlr Spray advised that unfortunately, Glasdon UK Ltd won't allow the incorporation of the original artwork into their gateway signs. Therefore. Cllr Spray **Proposed** that **1)** The original signs remain, however, the Lengthsman could paint the artwork gold or silver so it stands out more. **2)** Because Glasdon charge up to £3k per sign and that their design requires both County Council and District Council permission, the local Craftsman's made signs would also cost a similar amount that there was little difference in price between these options and the Malcom Lane Ltd signs (which most Bassetlaw Parishes have), that the Council should potentially go for the Malcom Lane Ltd option. **3)** The Council applies for 50% funding via the Notts County Council LIS Grant Scheme once this opens for applications. **4)** If funding is successful the PC would vote to confirm the Malcom Lane Option. Cllr Reeves Seconded and added that the design for the signs could be made by a advertising it to the local community and residents could submit their own artwork signifying Laneham for the sign designs (which could then be finalised/enhanced by the design team at Malcom Lane Ltd). After further discussion, the Council unanimously **resolved** to accept these proposals.

49.21 To Progress Broadings Lane Playing Field Project

The Council noted that the licence has been signed with Bassetlaw Council for taking over the playing field, The order with Kompan has been placed with Cllr Griffin arranging an onsite pre-build meeting with the contractors, who are then aiming for an estimated installation of 15th November, the order for the alterations to the fencing/gate placed and funding has been placed with S.Ashworth Diggers Ltd who is aiming to undertake the works in October.

50.21 To Progress the Openreach Community Broadband Partnership Scheme

The Clerk has submitted costing enquiries for the following areas:

- **Laneham Parish 106 Properties** submitted on Dunham-on-Trent Exchange, ref 52622, £951.18 per property and would be covered by Govt Voucher Scheme alone. 70% sign up is needed to make the project viable and move forward. This one did not qualify for demand led at this initial assessment stage so will require a contract if it doesn't reach the 130% pledge target required, at least 74 properties required for sign up to make the project viable and move forward.

The Clerk advised that the new Openreach Rural Engagement Manager (OREM), Wendy, states that Openreach have submitted the final offer prices to Central Government (DCMS) awaiting their approval. This process usually takes 3 to 4 weeks, following which, Openreach will then create the community portal sign up page and supply the supporting literature. OREM estimates the pledging site will go live sometime in November.

The Clerk agreed to send on the portal link and all the literature templates as soon as this is available, Cllr Spray agreed to print literature for free for the 106 properties. Cllr Reeves and Griffin will to help promote awareness of the scheme and were happy to hold an open session to encourage and help anyone register their property for the scheme.

If any residents have further questions, they can also contact the Notts County Council Broadband Engagement Officer and his Better Broadband for team using enquiries.broadband@nottscc.gov.uk or by phoning 0115 977 2532.

County Cllr Ogle agreed to escalate the issue with the County Council and Openreach to see if anyone else can cover the absent Openreach Manager and progress matters.

The Council is still waiting for Openreach to advise when they will start the community portals and promotion of the schemes and so that sign-up can take place.

51.21 To Discuss the Queen's Platinum Jubilee

Cllr Spray **proposed** an idea that the new playground be named "*The Queen Elizabeth II Platinum Jubilee Playground*" to honour the Sovereign and have an official opening celebration to mark both the new playground and the Jubilee. The Council will write to the office of the Royal Family to advise them and ask if they would be willing to send a representative to open the playground at the Jubilee Bank Holiday Weekend. A sign to be erected on the gate to mark the occasion. The Council would like to ask the Village Hall Committee via Cllr Griffin, if they are willing to hold a summer fayre at the Playing Field at the Bank Holiday weekend and that the Parish Council orders a Jubilee Beacon to

be installed on the Playing Field. After further discussion, the Council unanimously **resolved** to approve the proposal, **Action**, Cllr Spray.

52.21 To Approve a Planning Scheme of Delegation

When a planning application comes from Bassetlaw either in a month with no meeting or soon after a council meeting, the Council cannot send in a potential response (Parish Councils don't have to respond but may do if they wish to) as the decision for the response has to be made at a meeting or via a scheme of delegation. At present no scheme of delegation is in place. Delegation cannot be to an individual Councillor only to an Officer (Clerk or RFO) of the Council. After discussion, Cllr Warton-Woods **Proposed**, Cllr Reeves **Seconded** and it was **resolved** that the scheme of delegation as follows:

Any planning applications received to the Council from Bassetlaw will be emailed around the Council, should 3 or more cllrs wish to make a response based upon Material Considerations, after consultation with a minimum of 3 councillors, a summary response will be drafted by the Councillors, checked by the Clerk and circulated to all councillors for comment prior to submission to Bassetlaw District Council by the Clerk before the deadline date. At the next Parish Council meeting, an item will be placed on the agenda to note the contents of the submission to Bassetlaw Council Planning authority for the minutes.

If a very contentious planning application was submitted it may be necessary to call a full Council meeting.

53.21 Bi-Monthly Meetings

After discussion, Cllr Spray **Proposed**, Cllr Warton-Woods **Seconded** and it was **resolved** that meetings will continue bi-monthly at start at 6pm with immediate effect, the next meeting will be 15th November and the clerk will update the standing orders to reflect the meeting frequencies.

There being no further business, the Chairman thanked everyone for their contributions and closed the meeting at 8:40pm.