

# LANEHAM PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on Monday, 12.01.09 in the Village Hall at 7.00 p.m.

**PRESENT:** Councillors G. Scrini, Mrs. B. Barber, P Baines, P. Cable, F. Clark, J. Cobb, PCSO Tony Ciacci, Dist. Cllr Mrs Isard and 1 member of the public.

## 1. APOLOGIES

Dist Cllr Mr K Isard

## 2. DECLARATION OF PERSONAL AND PREJUDICIAL INTERESTS

None

## 3. POLICE REPORT

PCSO Ciacci reported there had only been one crime in the village since the last meeting, which was the vandalism in the bus shelter. Over the last year there had been a total of 16 reported crimes, 9 of which were in Church Laneham. Tony was thanked for attending the meeting and also for the increased police presence in the village over the last year which was much appreciated.

## 4. MINUTES OF MEETING HELD ON 8.12.08

The minutes had been circulated before the meeting. It was proposed by Cllr Clark and seconded by Cllr Mrs. Barber, that the minutes were accurate, this was unanimously agreed.

## 5. MATTERS ARISING

a) **Bridleway 25** – a letter has been sent to Mr. Hardman and returned twice. No further action to be taken now, legal advice has been taken and the fence can be removed as and when necessary.

b) **Bus Shelter** – damaged has been caused to the Notice Board. Still needs names added to the donor list. Cllr Hemsall asked to be informed of the balance outstanding. The Chairman will follow this up.

c) **Village Maintenance – Hoo Lane** –still no work done. To be followed up after next meeting if not done then.

d) **Garden at Church Laneham** – contact has been made with Mr. John Rawson. Council to come up with a proposal. It was suggested that if the garden were to be donated to the village then a community effort could be made to maintain it, put in a commemorative seat etc. The Chairman to make further contact with Mr. Rawson.

e) **Christmas Lights** – successful this year, will be discussed further later.

f) **Planning** – no further word from BDC

g) **Draft Open Spaces** – on closer examination the Chairman had determined the questionnaire was not applicable to the council

h) **Freedom Of Information** – the up to date folder is now in place on the internal notice board at the hall. The information has been put on disc to go on the web site.

i) **Village Signs** – have not yet been painted.

j) **School Bus** – contact has been made from NCC and the Chairman has spoken with the bus companies.

k) **External Church Repairs** – it is understood a quotation for the work has been accepted.

l) **Clayhough Lane** – some planings still need to be moved there.

## 6. PUBLIC DISCUSSION

The meeting was then closed for public discussion after which it was reopened and one item raised required further discussion.

**Spraying** - it was confirmed that all certification will be in place for any work that is done.

## 7. PAYMENT OF ACCOUNTS

- a) Caretaker £341.66 (000736)
- b) Village Hall Insurance £386.86 (000737)
- c) G. Scrini Spraying equipment £196.65 (000738)
- d) P. Cable (Lights and wood) £38.30 (000739)

It was proposed by Cllr. Mrs. Barber and seconded by Cllr F. Clark that the accounts be approved for payment, this was unanimously agreed.

The Fishing Club has still not sent in their cheque – a further reminder to be sent. A cheque for £69.77 has been received from British Waterways for Over Trent Piece.

## **8. CASUAL VACANCY**

No applications to consider

## **9. PRECEPT**

Financial statement and precept forms were circulated. After discussion the form was completed. A precept of £3352, a Street Cleaning Grant of £201 and £217 for concurrent functions was applied for. This amount should give a Band D rate of £28.62, which is less than last year.

## **10. VILLAGE HALL REPAIRS**

Two quotations have now been received. The quotes were reviewed and it was proposed by Cllr Clark and seconded by Cllr Cable that the contract was awarded to Mr Steve Philp. This was unanimously agreed. Mr. Philp to be contacted. Apple Tree Homes to be thanked for their quote.

## **11. BELL HOLT AND WHARF FOOTPATH**

This footpath does not seem to be registered. Right of Way user evidence forms were handed out.  
AGENDA

## **12. REVIEW OF CHRISTMAS LIGHTS**

It was considered that the lights had been a success this year despite some small problems. A new Low Risk Assessment has been done and it was agreed to write to the Church Council with the findings and seek their views on the following – a) a sealed box with lockable switch at high level and b) permission to plant a new tree in Churchyard specifically for the lights. It was suggested that low voltage LED lights should be purchased when financially viable. Cllr Cable asked for help to take down the lights and indicated that he wished to withdraw from the lights project in future years.

## **13. CORRESPONDENCE**

- a) GP Led Health Centre – information received indicates this will be open by April 2009 and is likely to be based at Manton.
- b) NALC provided new salary rates for Clerks (Cllr Cobb declared a personal interest) after discussion it was agreed to award the Clerk a 3% increase backdated to 1.4.08.
- c) Rampton Hospital – last minutes available for circulation
- d) NALC Northern Area Committee – last minutes available for circulation.
- e) Contact Visit dates – 14 January, 11 February, 11 March between 2 – 3 p.m.
- f) Planning – Store, Dunham Road – permission granted. Notes to be circulated. It was agreed to ask Cllr Isard to explain why there is a difference in what the council say and what BDC do. After being told the Parish Plan would be a material consideration it was not included in this application. The Chairman to draft a letter.
- g) Various items were available for circulation.

## **14. LANEHAM LAST MONTH**

- a) Bus Shelter at Main Street/Broadings Lane junction has been damaged to be reported to NCC.
- b) Sirens – check with Rampton Hospital and Cottam Power Station.
- c) Baskets/Planters – need to refill in spring.
- d) Broadings Lane – speeding cars, an increased amount of traffic and poor state of lane was brought to the council's attention. Tony noted the speeding traffic, but it was agreed to leave any repairs in abeyance for now.
- e) Pot Hole on Dunham Road outside 4 Ring o'bells to be reported to NCC, it was also noted that some big lorries are getting worryingly close to overhead cables.

**There was no further business discussed and the meeting closed at approximately 8.50 p.m.**