

## Minutes of Langham Parish Council Meeting held on 27<sup>th</sup> September 2007

### Attendance

Cllr R Hosmer - Chair  
Cllr G Kirk  
Cllr R Wright  
Cllr R Bailey  
Cllr J Higgins  
Cllr R Knight  
Cllr P Duncan  
Cnty Cllr N Wainwright

#### 1. Apologies

Were received from Cllr F Mitchell.

#### 2. Declarations of Interest

None were received.

#### 3. Minutes of Meeting 26<sup>th</sup> July 2007

Minutes were amended on page 386 to read:

The green space was designated by RCC and featured in the Village Design Statement.

71 Church Street, replacement of windows, cladding and shed, no planning has been received, enforcement officer to be advised.

Minutes were signed as correct.

#### 4. Matters arising therefrom

- a) Owner of No 43 Ruddle Way had been shown the land registry plan, which included the verge, owner was surprised but this has cleared any confusion.
- b) The phone box outside the school has been cleaned.
- c) No smoking signs have been placed in the bus shelters.
- d) Hedge located near the junction of Melton Road and Ranksborough Drive has been cut back.
- e) Light on Ranksborough drive is still not working, located outside of

No 12, this light is not on the schedule clerk to ascertain ownership and repair.

AW

- f) Cllr Kirk was unable to attend Parish Council Forum working group on 24<sup>th</sup> September.
- g) Cllr Hosmer attended a police meeting to discuss general concerns. Speeding drivers was the main concern in other villages as well as Langham. The police were hoping to focus on this but did state there was not a long enough stretch of straight road, on Cold Overton Road to use a speed gun but camera use would increase in the area.

Cnty Cllr Wainwright advised of Community Speed Watch. Police provided equipment and training to local parish councils to allow for a survey of traffic speeds. Drivers details would be logged and they would then be contacted by the police to discuss their speed. The objective is to collect data, where the police will be supportive and contact drivers.

The Cllrs discussed the time element involved and safety of use by county highways whilst using the speed guns. Speeds have been monitored on Burley Road and were within tolerance levels. The roundabout at Ruddle Way goes unnoticed by many drivers, causing problems for residents.

It was decided Community Speed Watch was to be on the agenda for next meeting. Further information to be provided by Cnty Cllr Wainwright.

NW

## 5. Correspondence

- a) Letter received from Youth Participation Officer regarding a training event on Developing Youth Councils. No one to attend.
- b) Invitation received to attend 25<sup>th</sup> anniversary of Neighbourhood Watch, no one able to attend.
- c) Letter received regarding the brown tourism signs from Leicestershire County Council. The time period for the review of the Stapleford Park Hotel signs is April 2010
- d) Cllr Mitchell has suggested the extension of the footpath on Cold Overton Road by Islington Cottage to allow pedestrians to cross the A606 safely and enter the village via Church Street. Cnty Cllr Wainwright to investigate.
- e) Confirmation received from RCC Rights of Way Officer regarding the temporary diversion of the footpath at Brocklehurst Park. The Secretary of State has not authorised the diversion as yet.

NW

- f) Letter received from The Treasurer of the Village Hall requesting a grant to cover the capital costs of opening the Post Office. The capital costs were £1,283.29, the village hall also would like the rent grant of £300 to continue for a second year.

There has been some misunderstanding regarding the grant for this year, which the Parish Council had donated £900 which was towards the capital costs. Cllr Knight stated the Village Hall were disappointed as the previous years grant was £750 so therefore the £900 included only £150 towards the capital outlay.

In the past the Parish Council would donate for specific capital expenditure never running costs of the hall. These should be covered by revenue received. The hall does successfully raise funds from various events.

Cllrs were concerned about increasing the precept to cover the Post Office and would consider polling residents if this was necessary. The budget is set in November, this grant would be assessed at that meeting.

## 6. Planning

- a) Application had been received for a porch at 51 Church Street, which upon investigation would be built on Parish owned land. Whilst this is not an issue for planning ownership of the land needs to be clarified.
- b) Letter received from Paul Browne Solicitors regarding sale of 19 Church Street and the green space, which it was confirmed is owned by the Parish and is designated green space in the Village Design Statement.
- c) The gate that is at 2 Harewood Close, is to be investigated by Cnty Cllr Wainwright. NW
- d) Cllr Wright has requested the results of planning applications to be circulated when received. AW

Ref No	Address	Proposal	Granted/Refused
FUL/2006/0091/CP	Laurel Cottage, Melton Road	Dormer and gable window	<b>G</b>
LBA/2007/0299/NT	Rutland Vintners, 30 Burley Road	Signage	<b>G</b>
ADV/2007/0298/NT	Rutland Vintners, 30 Burley Road	Advertisement Consent	<b>G</b>
CAT/2007/0342/MT	29 Well Street	Fell Ash	<b>G</b>
CAT/2007/0344/MT	2 Well Street	Reduce height of Eucalyptus	<b>G</b>
CAT/2007/0337/MT	The Limes, 42 Burley Road	1 Lime Tree to ground level	<b>G</b>
ADV/2007/0356/NT	Noel Arms	Signs and Illumination	<b>G</b>
FUL/2007/0376/CP	Holbeck Farm, Main Road	Agricultural Building	<b>G</b>
CAT/2007/0437/MT	Shearwater House Melton Road	Fell 3 fir and 1 Poplar	<b>G</b>
FUL/2007/0433/MT	15 Cold Overton Road	2 storey house	<b>G</b>
Ful/2007/0512/NT	40 Church Street	Paint outside of house	<b>G</b>
FUL/2007/0587/NT	21 Fairfield Close	Replace Porch and kitchen ext	<b>G</b>
CAT/2007/0663/MT	13 Bridge Street	Fell Fruit, Leylandii, Holly and Laburnum	<b>G</b>
FUL/2007/0687/MT	3 Orchard Road	Conservatory	<b>G</b>
FUL/2007/0618/MT	1 Ruddle Way	Conservatory	<b>G</b>
FUL/2007/0670/NT	33 Lonsborough Gardens	Extension	<b>G</b>
FUL/2007/0715/NT	44 Church Street	Extension	<b>G</b>
FUL/2007/0735/SUH	43 Lodge Park Road	Summerhouse	<b>G</b>
FUL/2007/0175	The Paddock Oakham Road	Amendments	<b>R</b>
CAT/2007/0389/MT	Fieldfare House	Remove Sycamore	<b>TPO</b>
CAT/2007/0664/MT	1 The Range	Fell Lime and Maple and replace with fence	<b>TPO</b>

Ref No	Address	Proposal	Granted/Refused
FUL/2007/0649/CP	Rutland Garden Centre	2 Retail Units	
Ful/2007/0744/MT	20 Harewood Close	Fell Acer and remove access to Oak & Acer	
CAT/2007/0747/MT	Islington Cottage	Fell 3 Conifers, 1 Willow, 3 Sycamore	
FUL/2006/0782/CP FUL/2007/0761/MT	34 Church Street 21 Bridge Street	Garage - amendment 2 storey extension	
FUL/2007/0755/NT FUL/2007/0795/NT	3 Well Street 9 Sharrad Way	Single & 2 Storey Extension Conservatory	
FUL/2007/0808/NT	8 Ruddle Way	Replace garage Doors	
LBA/2007/0436/NT	35 Church Street	Replacement windows	
FUL/2007/0682/NT	35 Church Street	Replacement windows	
FUL/2007/0860/MT	41 Manor Lane	Single storey extension	
FUL/2007/0689/CP	12 Cold Overton Road	Demolish existing and replace with 2 storey house	
FUL/2007/0238 Ful/2007/0870/MT	52 Well Street 51 Church Street	Revised plan of foot bridge Single Storey Extension	
LBA/2007/0897/DTR	13 Bridge Street	Various Internal Alterations	
FUL/2007/0688/MT	Islington Cottage	Remove shutters, replace windows and render, erection of wooden fence and gate	

## 7 Finance

Report was read by The Clerk and agreed by all Cllrs.

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Finance Report

Date:

**27th September 2007****INCOME**

<b>Item</b>	<b>Budget</b>	<b>Actual YTD</b>	<b>Budget less Actual</b>	<b>Received this period</b>	<b>Notes</b>	<b>Receipts outstanding</b>
<b>bal b/fwd 2007</b>		2,508.10				
Precept	14,000.00	14,500.00	-500.00			
Street Lights	1,022.00	699.58	322.42			
Burial Ground	300.00	1,157.50	-857.50			
Admin Fees		40.00	-40.00			
Grass Cutting	1,000.00	0.00	1,000.00			
Insurance		0.00	0.00			
Gardeners Association		0.00	0.00			
Post Office Fund		0.00	0.00			
Bank Interest		6.40	-6.40			
VAT Refund		943.69	-943.69			
Sundries		600.24	-600.24			
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>£16,322.00</b>	<b>£20,455.51</b>	<b>-£1,625.41</b>	<b>£0.00</b>		

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**PAYMENTS**

Item	Budget	Actual YTD	Budget less Actual	Paid this period	Notes	Invoices outstanding
Clerks Salary	2,200.00	1,109.16	1090.84			188.52
Clerks Expenses	120.00	121.93	-1.93			
Street Lights	2,000.00	1,082.12	917.88		Repairs	264.67
Burial Ground	300.00	334.34	-34.34			
Grounds & Open Space	4,400.00	3,216.89	1183.11			550.00
Insurance	1,200.00	1,274.14	-74.14			
Admin		139.30	22.59			
Sundries		1,027.96	-1027.96			
Recreational Ground		136.74	-136.74		Repairs Hammock trim trees	70.50
Grants	1,000.00	1,947.00	-947.00			
Bus Shelter		270.06	-270.06			
Audit	300.00	0.00	300.00			
Suscriptions	450.00	370.99	79.01			
Hall Rental	110.00		110.00			
Chairmans Fund	25.00		25.00			
Contingency			0.00			
Post Office		25.00	-25.00			
VAT		337.34	-337.34			
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>£12,105.00</b>	<b>£11,392.97</b>	<b>873.92</b>	<b>£0.00</b>		<b>£1,073.69</b>

**BANK BALANCE 10 Sept 2007**

£9,062.54

**DEPOSIT ACCOUNT**

8,544.25

**TOTAL CASH AVAILABLE**

**£17,606.79**

8. Report from any Sub Committees

- a) Cllr Hosmer attend the police meeting as minuted earlier. The beat areas have been amended so as to allow full coverage of officers.
- b) There have been several parties taking place on the playing fields over the last few weekends. A resident had reported damage and smashed bottles to 101 and the clerk. PCSO and beat officer have been in attendance the last 2 weekends and spoken to various groups of young people.

It was decided to attach a combination lock to the gate at Burley Road end of playing field, and place a removable bollard at the burial ground entrance gate so as to prevent vehicle access. The goal posts are to be fixed in the ground and a litter picker is to be purchased. A larger bin was also agreed upon. Letter is to be sent to East Midlands Ambulance Service regarding the combination lock. AW

9. Report from any meetings attended

Parish Forum was attended by Cllr Higgins. Minutes are to be circulated. Helen Briggs has a good vision for Rutland; concern was raised regarding the introduction of kerbside recycling. The presentation given by George Chase of RCC lacked clarity and local press had indicated a decision had been made without the promised consultation with Parishes. Decision actually to be taken on 9<sup>th</sup> October.

10. Items for inclusion in next meeting

Budget decision  
Rubbish Disposal  
Speed Guns  
Street Lights

11. Any Other Business

- a) Eon have left a hole in the road in Orchard Road, Cnty Cllr Wainwright to investigate. NW
- b) A bin is required for the village hall area, previous bin was outside the old Post Office, contact RCC. AW
- c) Concerns were raised regarding the Farm Shop that has starting operating on the Burley Road. No permission had been granted for retail when the poly tunnel application was approved. Parking on the highway is dangerous, enforcement officer is to be informed. AW
- d) The door on the notice board has blown off in the recent storm, Janet Allen's son repaired the board last year, he is to be asked to repair again. AW

- e) A letter of thanks and good will to be sent to Rev G Angell and his family on their departure from the village.
- f) Cnty Cllr Wainwright informed of the possibility of Highways taking over responsibility for street lighting. RCC could negotiate a cheaper price although PC would lose that task. There would be a degree of flexibility in the style of lights, Cllrs were concerned the number of lights may increase. To be discussed at next meeting.

12. Date of Next meeting

Thursday 29<sup>th</sup> November, 7.30pm

Meeting closed at 9.45pm