

Minutes of Lympsham Parish Council Meeting, 15 January 2018

Councillors Present: Mr. J. Hinton (Chairman), Mrs. A. Bennett, Mr. B. Gooding, Mr. R. Hoare & Mr. G. Tuttiett.

Also attending: County Cllr. R. Filmer.

Minutes were taken by the Clerk.

[N.B. Meeting commenced at 8.37 p.m. following Manor Hall meetings.]

1/18 Apologies: Mr. R. Jones, Mrs. J. Rosser & Dist. Cllr. A. Gilling – Accepted.

2/18 Minutes of Previous Meeting (18.12.17): following Clerk's explanation of a change of wording, confirmed.

3/18 Matters Arising / for report from previous meetings:

- **Neighbourhood Watch:** Clerk had advertised 2018 Surgery dates & informed Police; further reports of local festive lights being tampered with plus sheep & diesel being stolen in neighbouring villages – Farm Watch appears effective.
- **Lympsham C. of E. Academy & Pre-School:** Discussed at earlier meetings.
- **Manor Hall:** As above.
- **Highways:** Awaiting comments from 'local expert' re speeding issues, etc; Clerk had received two letters of concerns re recent traffic accident – would reply when something positive to relate; Clerk awaiting response from Highways engineer re feasibility of flashing lights; footpath needs clearing adjacent to A370.
- **Play Area inc. inspection reports:** Cllr. Hinton was commended for liaison with carpenter who has built the excellent Community Shelter: Chair sourcing date in Roman numerals to be carved into back of seat; thanks to Cllr. Bennett for her report – she would be checking one of the swings that was said to be 'askew'.
- **Grounds Maintenance & General Maintenance Issues:** Nothing of note reported
- **Drainage Issues:** Clerk gave new year update re Worthy Crescent Sewage Pumping Station (SPS) & Innsbruck SPS; County Cllr. Filmer suggested inviting M. Tidman of Wessex Water to attend a PC meeting following a successful session at Brent Knoll – Clerk to follow up.
- **Footpaths:** Nothing to report.
- **Affordable Housing:** Revised timetable emailed to Clerk, but dependent on feasibility study being completed hopefully by February.
- **Village Events:** Men's Breakfast 27th Jan; Six Nations Rugby at Pavilion 3rd/4th Feb; Pantomime 16th & 17th Feb; 'Thank you' card received from LEBE's Volunteers for Christmas event grant.
- **County / District Issues:** County Cllr. Filmer gave update on planning enforcement issues; disappointingly business rate pilot scheme not going ahead in this county; Gigaclear 'rolling out' but contractor issues; 'Home First': County working with NHS in Taunton & Yeovil to enable patients to leave hospital early.
- **Clerk:** Nuttall Trust applications submitted on behalf of PC, Manor Hall & Academy.

4/18 Planning Applications: None

5/18 Correspondence of Note: Circulated.

6/18 Finance Report: inc. cheques listed below

C/A: £12,311-78

S/A: £2,434-54

VAT: £2,693-14

Player-Mason A/C: £2,405-73 [N.B. £145 to be trans. to C/A re past repair; window to be cleaned.]

Petty Cash: £40-78

7/18 Cheques issued since December meeting: None

8/18 Cheques issued at January meeting: 101653 Lympsham Manor Hall £198 (Hire); 101654 SPFA £15 (Affiliation);
101655 Clerk's salary & expenses £446-63; 101656 Whitehouse Kennels £96 (Dog bin serv.).

9/18 Items for Discussion / Report at next meeting (Monday 26.2.18): As above.

The meeting ended at 9.30 p.m.