**Langsett Parish Council**

**Minutes of the Meeting Held**

**Wednesday 16th March 2016**

Present: Cllr Adrian James (Chair), Cllr Sally Howe, Cllr Linda Taylor, Mrs Stephanie Tolson (Clerk & RFO).

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**Public Participation**

None.

1. **Apologies**

Apologies were received and accepted from Cllr John Key and Cllr Lynne Hammond.

**2. To receive any declarations of interest**

None.

1. **Minutes – 3rd February 2016**

***Resolved that the minutes be approved.***

1. **Matters Arising**
   1. It was noted that BMBC regulatory services are dealing with the water at Cranberry Crossroads. The Clerk is awaiting an update on the situation.
   2. It was discussed that the Clerk has sent a letter to all residents asking them if they would like to join a mailing list. The Clerk reported that a she had had a few replies. All replies were from residents that had not previously been in touch with the Parish Council.
   3. At the last meeting, Cllr Hammond enquired about building work at Rock House Farm. The Clerk confirmed that planning permission had been given in 2014, but that it was actually not in Langsett Parish, but just over the boundary.
   4. The Clerk informed BMBC of the precept request for 2016.
   5. The Clerk submitted the application to the Transparency Fund.
   6. The Clerk requested BMBC to investigate signage issues for the Old Manchester Road and to consult with residents, due to the number of vehicles using it by mistake who follow satellite navigation.
   7. It was noted that the container at Sheephouse Heights Farm has been removed.
   8. Cllr Howe showed the Council some ideas she had for litter signage for the lay-by’s.

***Resolved that she will contact a sign company for designs and prices. The Clerk will contact Gordon Danks re permission to install on fencing at the A616 lay-by’s.***

**5.** **Planning Matters**

5.1 There were two new planning applications.

* 2016/0115 –Little Doubting Farm – extension. Comments were sent following email communication regarding it being in the green belt and that it looks like a separate dwelling is being built within the extension.
* 2016/0145 – Heathercliffe Lodge – agricultural building conversion. No comments were made.
* Update on application statuses*:*
* 2016/0006 – Daisy Hill Farm – agricultural building – prior approval was not required.
* 2015/0459 –Fullshaw Cross agricultural building – applicant has appealed against the planning refusal, and it has not been decided yet.
* It was noted that the container at Fullshaw Cross is still there and that the owner has reported that he has not heard from BMBC.

*Resolved that the Clerk enquire with BMBC on the situation with the container.*

* 6*.* Financial Matters

**6.1** The Clerk outlined the necessary payments for approval prior to the next business meeting including:-

* Clerk’s Monthly Salary - £173.84
* YLCA membership - £116.00
* Groundcare – tree work at Gilbert Hill - £550.00
* Postage for letter to residents - £51.84
* Expenses – paper, envelopes, mileage – 28.37
* PDNPA Barn Hire - £45.00
* Groundcare – bench installation at Gilbert Hill – £100.00

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* ***Resolved that all payments be approved.***
* One bank transfer of £1000 took place since the last meeting, from the deposit account to the current account. This was approved.
* Updates to the Financial Regulations were noted regarding new legislation that has been implemented regarding the procurement process.

***Resolved to approve the updated regulations.***

**7**. **Correspondence Received**.

**7.1** The Council went through the correspondence list and several items were noted.

**7.2** Correspondence from the YLCA regarding a petition to allow Parish Councils to appeal planning approvals was noted.

***Resolved that the Clerk sign the petition on the Councils behalf.***

**7.3** Correspondence regarding the Tates bus service coming to an end was discussed. It was noted that the bus no longer appears to travel through Langsett and instead goes via Mortimer Lane to Penistone.

***Resolved that the Clerk investigate and contact SYPTE about the Langsett route.***

**8**. **Councillors’ Report**

8.1 No borough Councillors were in attendance.

**9.** **General Parish Council Business**

**9.1Gilbert Hill Picnic Site**

Councillors discussed the work carried out at Gilbert Hill and on the whole were pleased with the result, especially as the views of Langsett and Stocksbridge had been opened up. The Chair thought that the removal of trees had also improved safety on the corner as the bend was now not as blind. Councillor Taylor felt that the site now looked bare. It was noted that it looks bare because it is winter and that it will look better when the leaves return. Cllr Taylor reported some complaints about the loss of trees. The bench installation is due to be done shortly.

***Resolved that the Clerk withhold the payment for the bench installation until the work had been done and inspected.***

9.2 **Ward Alliance Update**

The Chair was unable to attend the most recent meeting, and therefore no update is available.

**10. Any Other Business**

**10.1** Cllr Howe issued her apologies for the May meeting.

**10.2** Cllr Taylor reported on improvement works undertaken on the footpaths above the reservoir, and stated that they had been improved for pushchair users etc.

**11. Date and Time of Next Meeting**

**11.1 Annual Parishioners’ Meeting** Wednesday 11th May 2016 at 7pm at the Barn, Langsett, followed by the Annual Meeting.

Signed:

Chair \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Clerk \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_