**Langsett Parish Council**

**Minutes of the Meeting Held**

**Wednesday 16th November 2016**

Present: Cllr John Key (Vice Chair), Cllr Linda Taylor, and Cllr Lynne Hammond. Mrs Stephanie Tolson (Clerk & RFO). \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

**Public Participation**

None.

1. **Apologies**

Apologies were received and accepted from Cllr Adrian James and Cllr Sally Howe.

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

None.

1. **Minutes – 14th September 2016**

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

1. **Matters Arising**
   1. Re Cranberry Crossroads, the BMBC highways department have confirmed that they did not reach a resolution with enforcement action against the landowner and therefore the next step is for BMBC to carry out work themselves. They are awaiting a response from the highways drainage department as to when work will be undertaken.
   2. The reply received from Sarah Fowler, Chief Executive of the PDNPA, to questions asked at the last meeting about planning consultation and A628 signage was discussed. The response has also been forwarded to Councillors by email.
   3. The Clerk reported the fallen down bridleway signs at Browns Edge Lane and Hartcliffe Road. The Browns Edge Lane one has been put back up.

*Resolved that the Clerk will check on the Hartcliff Road one and explain its location to Sarah Ford.*

* 1. Regarding the sheep worrying, revised signs were completed and approved in September. Councillors stated that the signs did not appear to be up yet.

*Resolved that the Clerk enquire with Gordon Danks.*

**5. Planning Matters**

5.1 There was one new planning application.

2016/1103 - Little Doubting Farm – extension. This application replaced the previous application that was withdrawn. The extension is similar but protrudes from a different side of the house. The Councils comments were the same as previous and have been sent to BMBC planning.

* Update on application statuses*:*
* 2016/0115 – Little Doubting Farm – extension. Withdrawn.
* Regarding the container at Fullshaw Cross, it was noted at the last meeting that it has now been painted green and was less unsightly. The Clerk has enquired about planning regulations for containers. Under the GPDO 2015 legislation (General Permitted Development Order), structures that are non-permanent or portable (i.e. not permanently fixed to the ground), may be considered permitted development if the structure is used in connection with the lawful use of the land. It may be that a “change of use” for the land is required to ensure a container is permitted. However in most cases under this legislation no planning permission is required for containers.
* 7*.* Financial Matters

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

* Clerk’s Monthly Salary - £178.52
* Clerk backdated increment – £3.11
* Expenses: Postage, mileage - £21.00

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* ***Resolved that all payments be approved.***
* The Clerk outlined an application to the Transparency Fund 2016/17 for officer time in remaining compliant with the code for the current financial year of 2 hours per month. The YLCA had recommended that we apply for this financial year also after successfully receiving funding for the previous financial year. This was agreed.
* ***Resolved that the Clerk submit the application.***

**8**. **Correspondence Received**.

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

8.2 An invitation to the Mayors Civic Carol Service on the 22nd December 4pm at Saint Mary’s Church was read.

***Resolved that the Clerk inform the Mayor’s Office that Cllrs Taylor and Hammond will attend.***

8.3 Planned bus service changes following the September consultation were noted. The Clerk had responded to the consultation with regards to services for Langsett. It was noted that residents can use the Barnsley Door to Door bus service for which information is on the Parish Council and BMBC websites.

8.4 The SYPTE tram consultation and BMBC CIL draft charging schedule consultation were noted, but no response comments were made.

**8**. **Councillors’ Report**

8.1 No borough Councillors were in attendance.

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

**9.1Litter Signs**

No update available in the absence of Cllr Howe.

9.2 **Ward Alliance Update**

No update was available.

9.3 **HE Trans Pennine Upgrade**

The Chair, Cllrs Howe and Taylor attended the October HE event. They reported that the event highlighted a number or proposals for upgrades to the A628, with the majority of changes being at the Manchester end. Cllr Taylor reported the possibility of a feeder lane in the easterly direction on this side of the route. The Chair had reported previous to the meeting that proposals outlined appeared to be ones that had been seen before and that the event was not particularly useful, in that there was a lack of clear proposals to mitigate the serious road safety issues along the A628/A616 route through Langsett Parish.

The Chair and Cllr Howe met with Irene Ofei at the event and she stated that she would involve Langsett in HE consultations and would meet with the Council in the New Year. There appeared to be a lack of communication between HE and BMBC over this and the Air Quality management issues, as she appeared to be unaware of some of the issues raised by the Chair.

***Resolved that the Clerk invite Irene Ofei to the January meeting.***

9.4 **Langsett AQMA**

It was noted that there is a BMBC consultation on the Air Quality Action Plan.

Councillors looked at this with regards to the Langsett AQMA. The proposals for Langsett are very vague in the plan with no proposals outlined yet. A joint HE-BMBC working party has been established. A response from the Interim head of Highways has also been received following Cllr Milner’s pursuit of the issues with BMBC. The response states that BMBC officers have attended workshops with HE dealing with developing proposals for the Trans-Pennine upgrade programme, and that at these meetings BMBC have re-iterated the ongoing Air Quality issues at Langsett. They also attended a workshop in December 15 specifically to discuss the Langsett AQMA with HE, from which BMBC await further progression of the process.

BMBC believe that the air quality issues are best addressed as a consequence of the Trans-Pennine upgrade programme. BMBC officers also met with Irene Ofei at the recent event and stressed the need for HE to meet with the PC to discuss Air Quality concerns.

**10. Any Other Business**

**10.1** Councillor Hammond reported that the white cross markings seen on some of the Parish’s roads recently were to do with surveying being done by helicopter.

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

**11.1** Wednesday 18th January 2017 at 7.30pm at the Barn, Langsett.

Signed:

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