

Langrville Parish Council Meeting November 12th 2012

In attendance, Councillors Mrs Ann McGovern, Duncan Eaton, Colin Hewitt, Mrs Annabel Marshall, Mrs Eileen Ball, Mrs Paula Cooper.

Mr David Marshall – Public

Clerk Mrs Kathy Roberts

No press in attendance, Mr Marshall did not wish to speak.

In absence of Chairman Cllr Neil Jones Vice Chair Mrs Ann McGovern chaired the meeting.

43. Meeting opened all welcomed.

44. Apologies and reasons for absence were heard and accepted from Cllr Neil Jones.

45. No declarations of interest not already recorded.

46. Previously circulated notes of meeting held September 10th – ***Proposal to accept as a true & correct record of the meeting, seconded, vote taken RESOLVED all voted in favour, minutes were signed and dated.***

47. Police report – apologies from Officer Ali Evans, she had intended to attend, duties called. Comprehensive report showing very little crime reported in our area, information supplied to inform parishioners about property marking; this will be placed on notice boards and in next newsletter.

48. Christmas Tree Lighting – again this year the parish council along with Langrick Matters Group are staging an event for all to include tree lighting, entertainment and refreshments, any help is most appreciated.

49. Highways report – Cllr Hewitt has provided an up to date report, several of the areas previously reported have been dealt with, council felt the issue with the kerb gutters being blocked could be resolved during this time of increased activity by farmers causing the roads and footways to be scattered with mud. Footway surfacing will be reported to assess where the parish is on the list for refurbishment.

50. Parish verge cutting- Clerk had met with Highways officer to discuss the Councils proposal to cut and trim all verges in the parish, unfortunately LCC Highways do not allow any cutting outside the village speed limits, new maps showing areas that could be included were given to councillors for discussion, ***Proposal to continue to put out to tender for the areas agreed with Highways, seconded, all voted in favour RESOLVED. Cllr Mrs Cooper stated she had approached two businesses that are willing to contribute to the verges being tidied adjacent to their properties.***

51. Decorative Village Signs – Cllr Eaton brought information including estimates to the meeting, the signs were impressive but out of reach price wise by the parish Council other funding would have to be sourced to enable purchase, in principle council agreed it was a good idea and would raise the profile of our villages (Langrick & Anton's Gowt). More information including cost from local sources are to be brought back to January meeting.

52. Precept setting – discussion on all aspects of **council finance** were discussed, areas of savings looked at, Clerks salary to be increased by £125 per annum to keep in line with minimum wage based on 5 hours a week. St

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Margaret's Church treasurer to be asked to provide annual costing for the grounds maintenance before contribution is finalised for the current & subsequent years. The precept to be requested is £3,000 this equates out to roughly £10 per household per year, less than 25p per week. This figure will be brought to the January meeting for resolution.

53. Finances – payments this month, *Proposal to pay as listed- £237.46 K Roberts, £58.20 HMRC via Post Office. £60 Church Hall Fund for hire for meetings, £60 Clement Keys, auditors, £20 Mrs P Cooper printing newsletter, seconded all voted in favour RESOLVED.*

54. District Councillor Steve Doughty, not in attendance no report received.

55. Clerks report – correspondence passed to councillors, no other issues for meeting.

Meeting closed.

Next meeting January 14th Langrick Church Hall 7.30pm