



**Minutes of Parish Council Meeting held at the Village Hall Tur Langton
13th October 2022 at 7.30 p.m.**

(Rearranged from cancelled meeting 13/9/22)

Present: Cllr T. Bladon (Chair), Cllr D Molyneux, Cllr C. Staveley
In attendance – Alison Gibson, Clerk
1 member of the public

Action

1.	94/22 – Apologies for Absence Cllr J. Haynes, Cllr P. Officer – it was resolved to approve the reasons for absence	
2.	95/22 – Declarations of disclosable pecuniary interests and granting of dispensations. Cllrs Bladon, and Staveley, item 15 – Village Hall. Cllr Bladon is a Trustee and Cllr Staveley is a committee member. All have dispensations to speak and vote on this item to the next election.	
3.	96/22 – To approve the minutes of the previous meeting held on 9th August 2022. It was resolved that the Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on 9/8/22 be approved and adopted as a true record.	
4.	97/22 – Questions from members of the public – the member of the public present wanted to speak about agenda item 8 – Review of previous report of noise nuisance. It was resolved to change the order of the agenda to enable agenda item 8 to be heard next.	
	<p>98/22 – Agenda item 8 – Review of previous report of local noise nuisance Following the reports of disturbance from the use of the Pool Table outside the Crown Public House late at night discussed at the meeting on 9/8/22, the concerns were reported to Harborough District Council (HDC) Community Safety Partnership and copied to the police, District Councillor Simon Whelband and County Councillor Kevin Feltham.</p> <p>HDC Community Safety Partnership forwarded to their Licencing Team and Anti-Social Behaviour Team. The Licencing Team spoke to the pub. The Pool Table has now been taken inside.</p> <p>The Community Safety Partnership requested that residents report any future problems directly to them and report incidents of ASB and Criminal Damage to the police via 101.</p> <p>It has been established that the pub is licenced to 11.30 p.m. so there shouldn't be any noise after that, and if it is taken outside again the Pool Table kit should be moved inside at 11 p.m.</p> <p>Cllr Bladon has passed on a monitoring sheet to the complainant to record any future incidents and submit to HDC. If other neighbours are affected, they can get a sheet from the Parish Council (or report online). She also explained that incidents of ASB and criminal damage should be reported to the police and emphasised the importance of a pattern of such behaviour being logged by the police.</p> <p>Cllr Bladon suspended the agenda and opened the meeting to the public.</p> <p>The member of the public said that the problem seems to have been resolved and thanked the Parish Council for taking action and for the information and monitoring sheet.</p> <p>The member of the public left and Cllr Bladon closed the meeting to the public and resumed the agenda.</p>	

5.	<p>99/22 – Clerk’s Report including Year Plan and LRALC update Year Plan – noted as circulated.</p> <p>LRALC</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Link to training courses circulated • LRALC Newsletter July and September 2022 • Updated NALC Legal Topic Notes (LTN) – LTN 8 (Elections), LTN7 (non-councillor members on committees), LTN40 (Local Council Documents) • Civility and Respect August Newsletter and Civility and Respect Pledge • Guide to recording absences of councillors • NALC 20% discount for the new 13th edition of Arnold-Baker on Local Council Administration <p>Harborough District Council (HDC)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Harborough District Council Newsletters July, September and October 2022 • Harborough Big Green Week • Young People update – local democracy week 14th – 20th November • Health and Wellbeing – Steady Steps course • Community Safety Strategy survey runs to 28/10/22 • Public Space Protection Orders – consultation closes 14/10/22 <p>Leicestershire County Council (LCC)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Statement from Nick Rushton, Leader of LCC about the unprecedented financial situation at LCC and local government. • Funding Bulletins July, August, September and October 2022 • Leicestershire is Growing video • LCC Annual Parish Liaison Event – link to recording • Operational Clerks’ meeting 30/6/22 – link to recording • LCC Environmental Matters Newsletter <p>SLCC – Clerk Magazines July and September 2022</p> <p>Updated guidance on .gov.uk domains for websites and emails – noted it may be necessary to consider this in the future.</p> <p>Leicestershire Partnership Trust Annual Public Meeting 5/9/22 – link circulated</p> <p>In Partnership - July 2022 bulletin of the Leicester, Leicestershire and Rutland Integrated Care System</p> <p>Rural Community Council</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • July Impact Magazine • Letter to advise that membership is now free. • Link to new Members’ page and password circulated <p>Voluntary Action South Leicestershire – Harborough District Transport Guide</p>	
6.	<p>100/22 – Reports and Updates</p> <p>6.1 County Councillor – none</p> <p>6.2 District Councillors - none</p> <p>6.3 Police Update - Harborough Police Newsletters July, August and September 2022</p>	
7.	<p>101/22 – Planning</p> <p>7.1 General Report and update on applications / decisions from Harborough District Council Applications and Decisions from HDC since last meeting:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 22/01579/TCA – Works to trees, 1, Cranoe Road and Wadlands Cottage, Shangton Road, TL – Status at HDC - Pending Consideration 	

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 22/01580/TCA, Works to trees, Mount Pleasant, Shangton Road, TL – Status at HDC - Pending Consideration • 22/01113/FUL, erection of four dwellings with associated parking (revised scheme of 21/02020/FUL), land East of Shangton Road, TL – Permitted. Planning conditions to be monitored. <p>7.2 Application Responses agreed under Scheme of Delegation</p> <p>22/01359/FUL and 22/01413/LBC- replacement of garage door fronted former forge, with an oak frame garage of wider but same length footprint, to accommodate off-street parking with new sectional garage door to match style of existing door. The Forge, Main Street, Tur Langton.</p> <p>Following agreement of draft response at the meeting 9/8/22, a final response was agreed under the Scheme of Delegation as below:</p> <p>The Parish Council has found it difficult to make informed comments on this application as the documents on the planning portal are not easy to interpret.</p> <p>The Forge is of heritage value and has significant documented historical importance, reinforced by a video on YouTube of the Blacksmith working in the forge in 1946 (https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=PPjQJj9Xazo).</p> <p>In view of the heritage value of The Forge and that it is in a Conservation Area, the impact of introducing an oak structure next to Lewins Farm, a Grade 11 Listed Building, is questioned as it changes the street scene. The materials used should be sympathetic to the historic and traditional merit of the property and area.</p> <p>The removal of the brick section over the side door, attaching the property to Lewin's Farm, feels like quite a change. At present it makes it hard to tell where one property ends and the other begins, the alteration to a simple wooden gate only changes the overall character of the whole block.</p> <p>The Parish Council would, therefore, like to query whether there is a way to achieve what the applicant is aiming for without damaging the original building fabric?</p> <p>The Parish Council is in support of additional parking and the electrical car charging point.</p> <p>Status at HDC - both applications permitted</p> <p>22/01438/TCA - works to trees, Mount Pleasant, Shangton Road, TL - “no objection” comment submitted, agreed under scheme of Delegation - status at HDC - permitted</p> <p>7.3 Enforcement – nothing to report</p>	
8.	Review of previous report of local noise – see 9//22 above	
9.	<p>102/22 – To review and adopt</p> <p>9.1 Equality, Diversity and Equal Opportunities Policy – it was resolved change this policy to degender it, and to adopt with no other changes</p> <p>9.2 Recruitment Policy – it was resolved to adopt this policy with no changes</p> <p>9.3 Sickness, Absence and Annual Leave Policy – it was resolved to adopt this policy with no changes</p>	
10	<p>103/22 – Review of Aims and Objectives – A draft was circulated. Cllr Bladon will look at the wording of Objective 14 regarding encouraging members of the public to attend meetings. All other Aims and Objectives in the draft were agreed. Final version to be agreed at next meeting.</p>	Cllr Bladon

11. **104/22 – Finance****11.1 RFO Report including 2021/22 audit update and noting of payments not previously minuted**

- Audit 21/22 update - Public Inspection period ended 22/7/22. No communication received from External Auditor and so it is assumed that this concludes the audit for 21/22.
- Communication received from the Smaller Authorities' Audits Appointments (SAAA), who are responsible for appointing external auditors to opted-in smaller authorities to advise that they have undertaken a procurement exercise to appoint auditors to each County Area for the next 5-year accounting period which runs from 22-23 to 26-27 years. All authorities must be given the opportunity to opt out of the central procurement and appointment scheme and appoint their own external auditor for the 5-year period. Unless the council wishes to opt out no action is necessary. It was agreed not to opt out.
- LRALC Internal Audit Report and Review for 2022 circulated. Also noted that LRALC Internal Audit Fees have been frozen so there will be no change for the current year.

Payments since last meeting not previously minuted:

From list

30/6/22 -Clerk Salary and HWA June 2022 - £189.28
 29/7/22 -Clerk Salary and HWA July 2022 - £189.28
 31/8/22 -Clerk Salary and HWA August 2022 - £189.28
 30/9/22 -Clerk Salary and HWA September 2022 - £189.28

25/7/22 – Leicestershire Gardens invoice 22/128 (cut 21/6/22)– 80.00
 21/9/22 – Leicestershire Gardens invoice 22/151 (cut 26/7/22 and strim of bank) £100.00
 21/9/22 – Leicestershire Gardens invoice 22/173 (cut 16/8/22 and strim of bank) £100.00

Other payments:

30/6/22 – Bank Charges (Unity Bank) - £18.00
 22/8/22 – Public Works Loan Board repayment - £1,671.87 – direct debit
 30/9/22 – Bank Charges (Unity Bank) - £18.00

Receipts:

30/6/22 - £5.58 – interest (Market Harborough Building Society)
 14/9/22 - £4,915.00 – precept from Harborough District Council (Unity Bank)

Updated List of payments arising on a regular basis circulated

11.2 Approval of Accounts Reconciliation to 30/9/22

Total Receipts to 30/9/22 - £15,030.56
 Total Payments to 30/9/22 - £3,889.04
 Closing Balance at 30/9/22 - £19,192.46

At 30/9/22
 Balance Unity = £16,398.07
 Balance HSBC = £0
 Balance MHBS - £2,794.39

It was resolved to approve the accounts reconciliation to 30/9/22 as circulated

	<p>11.3 To approve for payment – Tur Langton Village Hall for room hire 9/8/22 and 13/10/22 - £10.00</p> <p>It was resolved to approve this payment.</p>	
12	<p>105/22 – Poppy Wreath – to agree whether to purchase a new one or make a donation to the Royal British Legion</p> <p>It was agreed that the one purchased last year is still in good condition and so it is not necessary to purchase a new one.</p> <p>It was resolved to donate £30.00 to the Royal British Legion instead (Section 137 of the Local Government Act 1972)</p>	
13	<p>106/22 – Review of Neighbourhood Plan – there is no update on identifying minor editorial changes for review. Accessibility of the document also needs to be looked at.</p>	Cllrs / Clerk
14	<p>107/22 – Review of Community Response Plan</p> <p>14.1 Review of Plan</p> <p>The Clerk has updated the Emergency Contact Details section as far as possible and sent draft to the Leicestershire Resilience Forum for feedback and to complete information she was not able to update. Response awaited.</p> <p>14.2 Emergency Grab Bag – replacement of out-of-date items</p> <p>Assorted wash proof plasters and saline cleansing wipes are out of date.</p> <p>It was resolved that the clerk purchase replacements and claim money back.</p>	Clerk clerk
15	<p>108/22 – Village Hall</p> <p>15.1 Memorial Garden Sign – update on design and quotations – this is progressing</p> <p>15.2 Village Hall Accounts and Year End Report – The Balance Sheet and Income and Expenditure Account to 31/12/21 have been received.</p>	Cllr Bladon
16	<p>107/22 – Assets</p> <p>16.1 Health and Safety Check of Assets - no problems identified following inspection</p>	
17	<p>108/22 – Highways</p> <p>17.1 General Report - none</p> <p>17.2 Members’ Highways Fund – MVAS – report from site visit with LCC and to agree next steps</p> <p>Cllr Bladon met on site with representatives from LCC Highways on 24/8/22:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A site on B6047 Shangton Road as been identified where a repeater sign can be removed and replaced by a suitable pole so an MVAS can be put on it. • The Parish Council needs to identify a suitable site on Main Street as the one suggested was not suitable. • LCC suggest considering buying additional mounting brackets which would enable the signs to be mounted on either side of the post. However, this would not fulfil the mobile nature of the camera and so it will still be necessary to have a second pole. • If the Parish Council wanted to consider the fixed VAS sign to display a Speed Indicator Device, the new sign would be a Parish Council asset and so TLPC would have full responsibility for all ongoing maintenance including the power source. • The Parish Council will have to consult with any affected local residents even if a repeater sign is replaced with the sign for the MVAS since the sign will have bright lights which can cause light pollution. If there are objections to any location consulted on the Parish Council may need to reconsider the location. <p>It was agreed to consult with the village over suitable locations in the newsletter. Cllr Bladon will update LCC Highways. Cllr Staveley had done some research on suitable MVAS which was circulated. She will try to get some quotations for the next meeting.</p> <p>17.3 Snagging List - Nothing to report</p> <p>17.4 Footpaths – The footpath by The Manor</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cllr Officer contacted LCC Highways about the misleading notice on the Bridleway B15 and they have contacted him today to advise that the Permissive Sign notice on the 	Cllr Bladon Cllr Staveley

	<p>gate on the bridleway has been removed.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> There is still confusion over the Diversion Order (21/7/21) and the process, certain parts are running along the new route, but some are not. LCC advise that the order has not been "confirmed" yet and this will only be done once works are completed. Clerk to write to LCC to clarify the process ask them whether permission has been given. 	clerk
18	<p>109/22 – Grass Cutting</p> <p>18.1 Update</p> <p>Since the last meeting invoices have been received and paid for cuts on 21/6/22 ,26/7/22 (plus strim of bank) and 16/8/22 (plus strim of bank). There were no cuts in August due to dry weather and the grass not growing. There was another cut on 6/10/22 but the bank was not cut. There have been seven cuts this season, there are 14 in the specification. The grass it still growing and so it is anticipated there may be further cuts, which the council will be happy to authorise.</p> <p>18.2 2023 season onwards, quotations</p> <p>A quotation has been received from Leicestershire Gardens. The clerk needs to clarify some points. The council will consider extending the contract at the next meeting.</p>	
19	<p>110/22 – Tree Preservation Orders</p> <p>The clerk had circulated information about putting trees forward for Tree Preservation Orders. Cllrs Bladon and Molyneux have drawn up a list of possible trees to put forward. It was agreed to put an article in the next Newsletter to open it up to parishioners to suggest trees, Cllr Molyneux had put together a draft article which was agreed.</p>	
20	<p>111/22 – Website History Page</p> <p>Cllr Molyneux has spoken to Market Harborough History Society who have put out a bulletin to all members to ask if anyone has any history information about Tur Langton. She is also hoping to have access to the British Newspaper Archive and may be able to find bits of historical information to add to the page, she will check copywrite. It was agreed to include an article in the next Newsletter to ask for historical information to include. Cllrs Bladon and Staveley are still looking into scanning the old minute books. It is hoped to have material to make a start on the History Page soon.</p>	Cllrs Staveley / Bladon / Molyneux clerk
21	<p>112/22 – Community Engagement</p> <p>Newsletter – Cllr Staveley will start to work on the next newsletter for publication soon. It was also agreed that Cllr Molyneux will put together an article for the November edition of the Kibworth Chronicle and the next Langtons and District Newsletter.</p>	Cllrs Staveley / Molyneux
22	<p>113/22 – To approve the dates of next meetings and items for next agenda.</p> <p>Next meetings:</p> <p>8/11/22 at 7.30 p.m. 10/1/23 at 7.30 p.m.</p>	

Meeting was closed at 21.25 p.m.