

LAMPORT AND HANGING HOUGHTON PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES of a PARISH COUNCIL MEETING
in The Old Laundry, Lamport Hall, Northamptonshire
Wednesday 17 July 2024 at 7.00pm

- 1 **ATTENDANCE**, apologies and Declarations of Interest
Cllrs. B. Cox, J. Farr (in the Chair) P. May, D. Sinnott

In attendance: 3 parishioners

Apologies: Cllrs. C. Dugmore, R. Flavell While, C. Harris, WNC Cllr K. Parker

No Declarations of Interest received.

- 2 **MINUTES to be approved and signed:**
Parish Council AGM 15 May 2024
Cllr Cox proposed that the Minutes be adopted, seconded Cllr Sinnott

- 3 **MATTERS** arising from the Minutes
3.1 Overgrown hedging, The Grange, Manor Road
Awaiting an update from Cllr Kevin Parker
3.2 Seeding along area excavated by Cadent
This work has now been completed.
3.3 Grass cutting, Lamport Churchyard and Manor Road
Reported and remedied. However, Cllr May said that there were still some areas that had been missed by the grass cutters. It was agreed that he would take photos to forward to the clerk who would ask the grass cutters.
3.5 Footpath Warden reporting to Cllr Farr
Christine Ingram confirmed that she is happy to continue in the role.

- 4 **HIGHWAYS**
4.1 Speed Cameras, Lamport High Street
Mark Stocker said that he is still collecting data and has tried to get in touch with Lamport Hall about an offer of help with managing the cameras. The Clerk will progress this. Mark said that a speeding vehicle had run into a telegraph pole causing a power cut. Cllr Farr thanked Mark and Tracey for their continued work with the speed cameras.
4.2 Lamport Residents Safety Association (LRSA)
Sarah Lee reported that a further meeting with Northamptonshire Highways will take place on 9th August. Rothwell Truck Stop were very helpful and have erected signage and spoken to drivers regarding the restrictions through Lamport.

PLANNING

- 5 5.1 2023/0046: Land at Dale Farm, Harborough Road, Maidwell
Construction of dwelling and outbuildings - pending
5.2 2024/1325: LBC: The Cottage, 2 High Street, Lamport - approved
5.3 2024/1535/HRN: land between Draughton and Brixworth
Removal of five 6m sections of hedgerow- pending
5.4 2024/3069: The Nook 3A Manor Road, Hanging Houghton
Rear two storey extension, part loft conversion, garage loft conversion and external cladding
Having circulated details by email, no objections were raised, but comment was made that the project would encroach on the road and cause a turning problem and also access/egress to adjacent fields. Councillors asked if Lamport Hall were aware of the application. Regarding the

entrance to the garage, presumably this would be carried forward to the current application – the situation would change if there was an alteration to the entrance.

5.5 2024/2972: Meadowcroft, Manor Road, Hanging Houghton

Single storey front rear and side extension and rendering of all existing facing brick walling Again, details circulated by email. No objections were raised but concern was expressed about the size of the project which appears to be very close to the property next door. Presumably close neighbours have been consulted.

6 FINANCE

6.1 Balances at Bank and Budget/Expenditure for current year

Accounts for the current year having been circulated by email with the agenda, show a balance of £5,476.81 in Current Account and £1,968.07 in Reserve Account. When the payments listed below totalling £1,610.72 are paid, the true balance will be £5,834.16. £263.80 held in Current Account is allocated for maintenance of the telephone box and defibrillator.

6.2 Items for payment: LGA 1972

F.R.Allbury: salary and travel	£484.72	S.112
HMRC: clerk's PAYE	£118.00	S.112
Countrywide Grass Cutting: May and June	£1008.00	S.228

The Clerk will ask the Chairman to access the Bank account online to verify that the payments have been made in accordance with those listed in the minutes. Cllr May proposed that the payments should be made, seconded by Cllr. Sinnott.

6.3 Adoption of new Financial Regulations

The Clerk having circulated the new Financial Regulations with the agenda, proposed that the Parish Council adopt the document: proposed Cllr Cox, seconded Cllr Sinnott.

7 NEIGHBOURHOOD WATCH/POLICE LIAISON REPRESENTATIVE

While the post is vacant, Cllr May offered to receive communications on behalf of the Parish Council.

8 CORRESPONDENCE

8.1 An email from a parishioner commenting on loud music emanating from Lamport Hall at an outdoor summer party in June which continued outside the stipulations of the Music Licence. A parishioner present also made reference to this matter. The Clerk was asked to email Mark Herrod regarding the nuisance that this may cause to near residents.

8.2 Following correspondence about transitioning to a .gov.uk domain for the website from NcALC, after taking advice from Cllr Flavell While, it was agreed not to progress this matter at the present time and remain with the current arrangement.

8.3 An email from Tony Boullemier asking for assistance with clearing the debris following work undertaken on the lime trees in Manor Road. After discussion it was agreed that the Parish Council would offer to pay for a small skip to a maximum cost of £100 plus vat. The clearing team would organise and pay for the skip which would be immediately re-imbursed by the clerk against a receipted invoice.

9 DATE OF NEXT MEETINGS

Parish Council Meeting 25 September 2024 at 7 pm in the Old Laundry, Lamport Hall, This meeting has been put back a week from the original scheduled date of 17th September which was not convenient for a number of council members.

There being no further business the meeting closed at 7.40 pm

Signed:

Date: