Londesborough with Easthorpe Parish Council

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Minutes of the meeting of Londesborough Parish Council held on Monday 8th May 2017 in the Reading Rooms, Low Street, at 7.30pm.

**Present:** Cllr I. Bessey, Cllr G Brotherton, Cllr J.Fisher, Cllr O Southgate, Cllr G Stephenson,

 Cllr A Wells,

J Green (clerk)

**24/17 Apologies** were received from Cllr A Hutchinson, Cllr K Watson, Cllr H Wood,

**25/17 The following officers were elected:**

**Chairman - Cllr Stephenson**  proposed by Cllr Fisher and seconded by Cllr Wells.

**Vice- Chairman - Cllr Southgate** proposed by Cllr Wells and seconded by Cllr Fisher.

**Police Liaison and Crime Prevention representative - Cllr Bessey** proposed by Cllr Brotherton and seconded by Cllr Stephenson.

**Councillors with Conservation responsibilities - Cllr Southgate and Cllr Fisher**  proposed by Cllr Brotherton and seconded by Cllr Wells.

**Councillor with Finance responsibilities - Cllr Brotherton** proposed by Cllr Stephenson and seconded by Cllr Fisher.

**26/17 The Annual Governance Statement for 2016/17** was approved and signed by Cllr Stephenson on behalf of the council.

**27/17 The accounts for 2016/17** were approved and signed by Cllr Stephenson on behalf of the council.

**28/17 To approve financial arrangements for the coming year :**

**The Financial Standing Orders** were proposed by Cllr Brotherton, seconded by Cllr Bessey and approved

**Appointment of an internal auditor.** Cllr Wells proposed, Cllr Brotherton seconded and it was agreed that Steve Young should continue to act as the internal auditor.

**Appointment of bank signatories.** Cllr Stephenson proposed, Cllr Brotherton seconded and it was agreed that the signing arrangements should continue as in the previous year. Cllr Fisher, Cllr Stephenson and Cllr Wells were to continue as signatories and all cheques to be signed by 2 councillors and countersigned by the clerk.

**29/17 Declarations of Interest**. There were no declarations of interest.

**30/17 The minutes of meetings held on 13th March 2017** were proposed by Cllr Brotherton, seconded by Cllr Bessey and agreed as a true record and Cllr Stephenson signed them as such on behalf of the council.

**31/17 To receive the clerk's report on matters being progressed from previous meetings.**

The clerk reminded councillors of the Village Taskforce Walkabout 19 May at 9.45am.

Broadband: the clerk had spoken to Andy Elliot at ERYC who was expecting an answer regarding the broadband later in the week.

**32/17 Accounts**

It was agreed to apply for further Transparency Code funding for the time the clerk spends complying with the code.

There had been a problem with the bank transfer of the precept from ERYC so it had not yet been received. It was expected to be transferred this week.

The current account bank balance was £2136.81 and the savings account was £869.15

The payments below were approved :

Clerks salary March £96.33

 & April £96.33

**33/17 Correspondence**

Humberside Police newsletter

ERYC invitation to Civic Evensong

ERYC invitation to Festival of St John service

ERYC re referral of East Riding of Yorkshire Clinical Commissioning Group's decision, regarding urgent care centres and community beds, to the Secretary of State for Health

Channel 4 re Village of the Year competition - it was agreed to enter this. Cllr Southgate offered to complete the application form.

ERYC re Antisocial Behaviour Statistics

Clerks and Councils Direct

**34/17 Councillors reports**

Cllr Fisher reported that the volunteer who uses the towable salt spreader finds it uses a lot of his fuel. It was agreed that a fixed rate of £7.50 should be paid to him to cover the cost of his fuel for each gritting he does.

Cllr Fisher had found an old book of recipes, thought to be from local people, and felt that it could be published and sold at village events. As there are no other suitable groups in the parish it was agreed that the Council should investigate the possibility of applying for a grant to fund this.

Cllr Wells asked if it was possible to convert the street lamps to LED lights. The street lights are under a service agreement with ERYC and the clerk was asked to inquire into the possibility of upgrading the lights.

Potholes near The Gardens and a large hole near the roundabout on Intake Hill were reported.

**35/17 Date of next meeting Monday 3rd July**

The meeting closed at 8.15pm.