**LOCKINGTON PARISH COUNCIL**

**Minutes of Parish Council meeting held on Monday June 18th 2018**

**Apologies:** Cllrs. K.Marshall;Adrian Cookes:Andrew Proctor;Janet Myers. Clerk absent due to illness.

**Those present were** the Chair Cllr. Amanda Clarke, Mary Munro-Hill; John Rowson; Graham Chapman and Andrew How

In the Clerk’s absence, Minutes taken by Cllr. A How

**Declarations of Interest:**  None

**ERYC Business:** – no County Councillor present..

**Minutes:**  The Minutes of the meeting held on may 21st 2018 were agreed. Accounts para 5 amended to read Geoff *Dunham* and signed.

**Matters Arising:**

1. **Field at Station Road** – response still awaited from Dalton Estate.
2. **Barriers protecting culvert along Lund Road –**N oaction from ERYC to date. Chair has written to Ian Sugden for update. No response
3. **Salt Bins.** Defferred until assessment of the number, siting, colour and condition of all the village bins by AP received. At which time, the ongoing commitment and liability will be reviewed.50% credit received.
4. **Flooding on Front street.** Comments received from Ian Sugden to the effect that nothing much can be done as if the beck is high there is nowhere for the water to go.The gullies are clearly insufficient quite apart from the level of the beck.It was agreed to invite Ian Sugden or an appropriate colleague to come to the next meeting so that this extremely unsatisfactory situation can be better understood and possible solutions discussed
5. **Flooding in Thorpe:** Comments received theat the ditch needs clearing and that the “Flood Risk Team” have to write to the land owner (Dalton Estate?) to obtain access.
6. **Damage to the corner of South Glebe by refuse trucks:** It is felt that this will be eliminated if the Trucks revert to the former course of entering Church Lane from the northern end now the drainage works are completed. The Chair will write to the Council requesting this.

**Correspondence:**

1. Notice of “Public Space Protection Order”
2. Notice of “Permission in Principle” for Planning Applications.
3. ERNLLACA newsletter.

At this point the meeting was joined by David Siddle, the Rural Housing Enabler from ERYC.

**Low Cost Rural housing.** DS explained that he was attending in response to the request from the Parish Council to explain the proposed survey of “Housing needs” in Lockington and the surrounding villages. He was looking for support from the councils of Lockington, Lund,Beswick,Etton and Dalton Holme.

“Low Cost housing” is defined as Housing for rent or sale at 80% or less of full market value. Past experience was that the need was greatest either from either young families or older people looking to downsize but wishing to remain in the area.

The origins of the survey lay with the enquiry last year from Lockington PCC as to whether the Glebe land known as Amens Field on Kilnwick lane could be considered for this use. This land was outside the Village Boundary so it could only be developed if it was defined as a “Rural Excepton Site”. For this to happen it has to be proven that a real need for this type of housing exists, hence the proposed survey.

In the event that a need was shown, then other landowners would be invited to put forward possible land in addition to that proposed by the PCC.

There was discussion on how priority was defined and Ds explained that if, for example, land was developed in Lockinton then the policy could give priority to those proving a link with the village and if houses remain priorty could “cascade” down to the other adjacent villages

The survey could use various methods inviting residents to contribute via an advert in the Lockingon Gazette,posters and a letter drop.

There was discussion on how such a scheme could be financed and it was explained that this would most likely be via a “Housing Association” or “Community Land Trust”. Concern was expressed about Central government legislation that would force Housing Associations to sell to their tenants thereby defeating the object intended and it was explained that this policy was only at a trial stage and that it was possible that small developments and “Community Land Trusts” could be exempted.

It was agreed that the meeting would support the Survey and that DS would report back on the involvement of the other villages and the next step. He anticipated that he would not be able to start work on the project until early September at the earliest.

**Planning Applications:**

None received.

**Accounts:**

1. Stipend for Clerk– £202.14.
2. Cheque received of £192 credit for Salt Bins
3. Printers £40
4. Stamps £6.96
5. Accounts in process of being finalised between Chair/AC and G Dunham. Certification of Exemption completed and to be sent off as per advice gratefully received from AC..

**AOB**. None

**Date of next Parish Council. Meeting** – July 23rd 2018

**Meeting closed at 2020 hours.**

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