

LANGSETT PARISH COUNCIL

MEETING, 11 FEBRUARY 2009

This meeting was convened to replace the meeting which was scheduled for 3 February 2009, but which had to be cancelled due to adverse weather conditions.

Apologies:

All council present. No apologies. Present: Cllrs S Barnes (chair), G Hill, J Key, L Hammond, L Taylor.

Previous minutes:

The clerk read the minutes of the last meeting on 25 November 2008. These were approved and signed by Cllr Barnes.

Finance:

The clerk gave an overview of current reserves held and presented a forecast for expected expenditure for financial year 09/10, based on expenditure in the year 08/09 and some expected increases in annual payments.

The clerk presented his case for an increase in annual remuneration, based on current BMBC pay rates for part-time clerks, grade LC1 and also casual user mileage allowance for attendance at meetings other than Langsett PC meetings.

The forecast and pay / mileage rates were considered by the Council and unanimously approved. These combined elements were used to determine the parish precept for the year 09/10.

The Council unanimously agreed to set a precept of £950, the same as last year's.

The clerk to inform BMBC of the precept figure by e-mail and in writing prior to the deadline of 13 February 2009.

A cheque for £15 was raised to book Langsett Barn for the next meeting.

Planning:

The revised plans for an egg unit and deer unit at Little Doubting Farm, Hartcliff Hill Road were considered. [The revised plans for application number 2009/0032](#) were not clear, concise nor in anyway helpful to the Council insofar as it was difficult to see what the new proposals were.

[It was requested that Planning be asked for clearer plans and more time to consider them, because although we realise that it is for an agricultural purpose the plan previously had given rise to concern in respect of several nearby residents within the parish, whom we have a duty to represent .It had been established that the earlier objections by these residents still existed.](#)

The clerk to request more time and a better plan from BMBC and to forward this

when received, together with previous plans, to Cllr Barnes for joint consideration by the Council prior to the next meeting.

Correspondence:

The clerk reported that further to the Council's support for Stainborough PC's objection to the composting unit at Hood Green, the clerk of Stainborough PC had written asking us to also object to the Government Office for Yorkshire and Humber. It was noted that permission had already been granted prior to this meeting, so that further support to the objection would be of no use. Clerk to file the correspondence on this matter.

A letter had been received from Penistone and District Community Partnership inviting the Council to be represented at a future forum to formulate policy for the Partnership. Clerk to respond, asking to be kept informed of the date and venue for this forum.

An e-mail had been received from Alice Cooper about wanting to book Langsett Barn. Clerk had replied and sent out a booking form for the PDNPA.

Clerk's report:

Copy receipts and account had been supplied to Rural Action Yorkshire in respect of the Gilbert Hill project, to their satisfaction.

Notification from the auditors that the audit pack would be despatched in April 2009 for completion and return by end of June 2009 had been received.

The cheque received from the Samuel Wordsworth Trust for year 08/09 to be paid into the bank by the clerk.

Any other business:

It was the unanimous view of the Council that the clerk should apply to BMBC Neighbourhood Pride for provision of a bin at the Gilbert Hill picnic site.

The clerk asked if the Council would like a dedicated Langsett website to provide general information about the area for visitors. Council asked the clerk to investigate the feasibility of this and costs involved.

Cllr Hammond raised the issue of water pooling on the road surface at the dip by Fulshaw House Farm on the Flouch to Fulshaw Cross stretch and also by the bottom of the lane at Daisy Hill Farm, stating that the problem was worsening and represented a road hazard in wet conditions. The clerk to report this to BMBC.

The clerk took charge of a key to the Parish notice board and undertook to keep it updated.

Date of next meeting: Tuesday 7 April 2009.