

LANGHAM PARISH COUNCIL
S. Poulter, Parish Clerk

MINUTES OF MEETING HELD ON 27th JANUARY, 2005

PRESENT:

Coun. G. Kirk
Coun. R. Hosmer
Coun. M. Leigh
Coun. R. Wright
Coun. R. Anker
Coun. J. Higgins
Coun. H. Crouch

County Coun. R. Reid

1. APOLOGIES

Coun. P. Duncan
Coun. P. Nourish

2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no declarations of interest.

3. MINUTES OF MEETING HELD ON 25.11.04

p.285 Change the name 'Territt' to 'Terret'. The Minutes were then passed as correct.

4. MATTERS ARISING THEREFROM

a.p.285 item 4a. The Notice board at the end of Mickley Lane is now in use.

b.p.286 item 3 Council Tax Consultation.

Cllr. M. Leigh will circulate minutes of this meeting when received. In the meantime County Cllr. Reid summarised the results for the Parish Council.

c. p.286 Item 4, 'The Town and Parish District Council Meeting' was attended by Cllr. H. Crouch and Cllr. J. Higgins.

They reported that the meeting had been interesting and informative.

It had pointed out the fact that Rutland was a comparatively 'safe place' as compared to others parts of the area.

The Councillors thought that the Parish Council should be aware that Rutland could be neglected because it was thought of as being 'safe'. They were concerned that the Rapid Response vehicle should be maintained in the Oakham area. As far as can be ascertained the vehicle is to be situated in Oakham for the foreseeable future.

- d. p.288 item 2. The date for the Parish Council Service has still to be negotiated. It is hoped to be later in the Spring.
- e. p.285 item d. Cllr. R. Wright raised the question of the 'Car Port' that has been erected on the Old Hall with County Cllr. Reid. She is still trying to ascertain whether there has been permission for this to be erected. There has not been a satisfactory answer from the enforcement officer to this question. County Cllr. Reid said he would raise the matter and get an answer for her.

5. CORRESPONDENCE

- 1. The C.A.B. are asking for permission for any contribution made by the Parish Council to be placed in the new CAB Co. Registration No. 05287678

Proposed that any moneys contributed to Rutland Citizens Advice Bureau can be transferred to Rutland Citizens Advice Bureau, Company Reg. No. 05287678.

Proposed - Coun. R. Hosmer

Seconded - Coun. M. Leigh

Agreed unanimously.

- 2. A letter has been received from Mrs Holford, the Secretary of to the PCC regarding the village Notice boards. She felt that the Notice boards have been reduced and that there isn't enough room on them and they weren't situated in the correct positions. The Council asked the Clerk to reply stating that the notice boards belonging to the village have not been decreased in fact the amount of room on the notice boards has been increased. There are three notice boards, one at either end of the village and one in the centre, which means that the whole village has access to a notice board. As the Council has just re-sited a notice board to the end of Mickley Lane they do not have any plans just at present to supply further boards. The Church is welcome to supply one of its own. The Chairman suggested the matter could be reviewed in six months time.
- 3. A letter concerning 'The Freedom of information act' has been received from the Office of the Deputy Prime Minister. It states that the following officers as the qualified persons for the purposes of section 36 of the Freedom of information Act 2000 to the parishes in England are an Authority - Parish & Town Councils,

Primary Authorisation - Clerk to the Council, Secondary authorisation - Chairman of the Council. This was duly noted.
- 4. The Council has been asked to send a donation supporting 'Prides Alarm Charity'. Cllr. Crouch reported that there was another local system in operation in Rutland and that the Council would do better to support this system. This was agreed.

5. The Parish has been asked if they were interested in finding somewhere in Langham to house , a bottle bank and or facilities to collect materials for recycling. After discussion it was decided to ask the 'Wheatsheaf' public house licensee if he would be willing to have the bottle bank reinstated or the 'Vintners' in Burley Rd. whether they would be willing to host them. The council did not think that there would be any room for other recycling facilities and that most people use the facilities at the Tesco or the Co-op car parks.
6. It was proposed that the Council should subscribe to the 'Clerks and Councils Direct' magazine at the cost of £7.50.

Proposed Cllr. R. Hosmer

Seconded Cllr. M. Leigh

Agreed unanimously.

7. A 'Notice of making of an order' RCC District Council (Langham) Footpath D65 (part) Diversion Order No 1) 2005 has been confirmed. The footpath has now been re-routed.
8. Mr Frisby, the Chairman of the Langham Gardeners Association has reported that the entrance to the allotments at the Burley Rd end had been damaged due to the work that has been carried out on the recreational field. This was discussed and it was agreed to tidy up the area and that the field gate is to be reinstated. It was also agreed that if the 'field gate' belonging to the council that is at the end of the Rookery Footpath is not the correct size to be used a new one should be purchased.

Proposed that a new gate be purchased if old gate is not suitable.

Proposed Cllr. J. Higgins

Seconded Cllr. H. Crouch

Agreed unanimously

9. Rutland Parish Council Detector Fitting Partnership is looking for volunteers to fit Fire alarms among vulnerable people that live within the community of Rutland. The main object of the promotion posters is to identify any volunteers and to contact the VAR with details of that person including availability and to identify the location of potentially vulnerable members within the parish. The posters will be displayed around the village.

6. PLANNING MATTERS

5.12.04	FUL/2004/1145/MS	12, Cold Overton Rd New Plans
12.12.04	FUL/2004/1199/MS	Outdoor Menege S. Sharrads Farm
17.12.04	FUL/2002/1184/MS	Land adjacent T606 The Homestead Stables - Polo arena etc.
30.12.04	FUL/2004/1245/AH 11,	Jubilee Drive 1 st floor ext.

20.1.05 CAT/2005/0019/MT Crown of Beech tree, Damson 8, Briggins Walk
 20.1.05 PTA/2005/0017/MT 50, Well St. Yew Tree

PLANNING PERMISSION

Ful/2004/1092/AH 2 Storey dwelling land adjacent to 11, Jubilee Drive
 FUL/2004/1032/MT 2 storey dwelling 10, Lowther Close
 Conservation area consent.
 CAC/2004/1145/9/MS 12, Cold Overton demolition of building.

7. FINANCE

Financial Statement 27th January 2005.

Receipts	£19,771.67			
C/f	£21,027.28			
	<u>£40,798.95</u>			
Payments	£23,592.34			
	<u>£17,206.61</u>			
Deposit	£7,409.03			
	<u>£9,797.58</u>			
	£108.25	Cheque for Village Hall not presented as yet		
	<u>£9,905.83</u>			
BILLS PAID DECEMBER 2004				
ABB	£206.49			
Playdale	£6,692.80			
Dickerson	£146.85			
Powerson	£461.62			
S.Poulter	£175.00			
L.Ringer	£2,900.00			
A. Wain	£70.00			
	<u>£10,652.76</u>			
BILLS TO BE PAID				
ABB	£87.51			
G A Hubbard	£50.00			
SFPoulter	£185.00			
	<u>£322.51</u>			

8. 'VISION 2010'

This is the review of all schools in the Rutland Area. It was reported that Langham School will remain but there might be re-siting in the future. There are three secondary schools in Rutland. They should, under the Government initiative all be rebuilt by 2016. After much lobbying The Vale of Catmose school will be rebuilt in the first phase of this rebuilding which means it will be totally rebuilt in the near future.

9. REPORTS OF MEETINGS ATTENDED BY MEMBERS

A.

Cllr. R. Hosmer attended the APC meeting. He reported that the granting of a Quality Parish Council status was discussed. To obtain this status the Clerk must be qualified which takes about three years of study. This involves expense which could be offset by, when qualified, a £10,000 grant to the Parish Council. Langham cannot at present qualify as one of the conditions of application is that all the Councillors of the Parish Council have to be elected and not co-opted and that the Clerk has to be qualified. The Chairman observed that he thought that Langham Parish Council was a Quality Parish Council, which was generally agreed.

B.

The School Governors Meeting.

The Governors reported that they are trying to find some solution that could help with the congestion at the arriving and departure times of the school pupils. It has been suggested that the residents of Langham could be asked whether they were willing to loan their driveways during this period, thus freeing up the Burley Rd area. It was understood that the immediate roads in the Burley Rd area are to be canvassed for their support.

10. ANY OTHER BUSINESS

- i. The Recreational Group have now finished installing the equipment and this is ready for inspection. The equipment is already insured for use.

It was proposed that Leic. Playing field Association should be given permission to give the initial inspection at the cost of £ 100.

Proposed Cllr. M. Leigh

Seconded Cllr. J. Higgins

Agreed unanimously

A rota of volunteers to give the equipment a weekly inspection is to be drawn up and it is proposed that a list of 'inspections points' should be handed to each volunteer to check, the completed list should then be signed and dated and handed to the Clerk for safe keeping. This will be set up before the equipment is put in use.

The Chairman thanked the Recreational Group for all their hard work the results of which they could be justifiably proud.

The proposed opening of the date for the new equipment is to be March 9th. It is hoped that the local MP. Alan Duncan will attend. Refreshments will be served. One of the requirements of the grants is that the recipients should advertise what has been achieved by the Grants

The Group is hoping to purchase a 'Langham Tower' for the younger people and by request 2 picnic benches with any surplus money. There will be other activities in the village where it is hoped to raise more money towards the upkeep etc. of the 'playing field'

The Chairman suggested that the Parish Council should host a 'thanks party' for the volunteers to show our appreciation to all participants. This was warmly received.

- ii. There has been a request that more 'dog fouling' notices should be put on the gates going into the 'Wild Life Area' and the 'Playing field' as the large ones already there are not being observed.
- iii. County Cllr. Reid was asked to look into the matter of the dangerous wall at the end of Ruddle Way. This a recurring cause for concern. The RCC is aware of the problem but are not finding it easy to ascertain formal consent from the owners. He has however managed to get 2 bollards erected at the end of Cold Overton Rd. This is much appreciated. The Quiet Lanes issue was discussed. There is no legislation covering this as yet but the RCC 'Strategy' Group are looking into this issue. He was asked if he would look into the matter of the sign at the end of Sharrads Way which has been knocked down.

County Cllr. Reid was given thanks for his support in sorting out local matters.

- iv. Cllr. P. Duncan has asked that the matter of the Ordnance survey map used on the Website be discussed. They are asking for a fee of £47.50 be paid for its use.

It was Proposed that the fee of £47.50 be paid for this year and that the details should be obtained from Cllr. P. Duncan.

Proposed Cllr. J. Higgins

Seconded Cllr. M. Leigh

Agreed unanimously

- v. Leic. & Rutland Rural Community Council have circulated a form asking for details of any major Events in the village that can be put into the Diary for the area. Cllr. R. Wright agreed to fill in this form.

The meeting ended at approx. 9.30 pm

The next Parish Council Meeting will be on Thursday the 31st March 2005

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Tel 722994

MINUTES OF MEETING HELD ON 31ST MARCH 2005.

PRESENT:-

Cllr. Kirk Chairman
Cllr.R. Hosmer
Cllr. R. Wright
Cllr. P.Duncan
Cllr. H. Crouch
County Cllr. Reid

1. APOLOGIES

Cllr.J. Higgins
Cllr.M. Leigh
Cllr.R.Anker

2. DECLARATION OF INTERESTS

There were no declarations of interest.

3. MINUTES OF MEETING HELD ON 27.01.2005

P.295 NO. 2 Changed to 'on the gates'

P.295 No. 5 Changed to 'Leics. & Rutland Rural Community Council.'

4. MATTERS ARISING

P.295 No. 4 The use of the ordnance survey map on the Web site has now been registered for the year April 2005/ May 2006

P.292 No. 8 The entrance to the Allotments from Burley, Rd has been corrected . Cllr. Crouch is still looking into the matter of the farm gate entrance to the recreational field. If the gate that belongs to the Council at the end of the Rookery footpath is suitable it will be moved to the recreational field. If it is not the correct size another gate will be purchased.

P.294. No. 3 This paragraph from 'The Qualification 'Freedom of information act' does not appear to make sense. The wording of the paragraph comes from the literature from the Deputy Prime Minister's office. It means that the two people qualified to deal with any queries concerning Freedom of Information are the Parish Clerk and the Chairman of the Parish Council.

p.295 No. 5 The Leicestershire & Rutland Rural Community Council had not left enough time for the form to be filled in before the publication date so the events that Councillor Wright had entered could not be used. The Community Council has said that they will ensure that the form is sent out in good time in the future.

p.291 e. It was thought that the question of the 'Car port' should be left to the RCC Planning dept. to find a solution.

5. 'QUALIFICATION FOR APOLOGIES'

It was decided that 'Apologies for absence' should be approved at the beginning of each Council meeting by the Councillors that are present.

6. CORRESPONDENCE

- a. The Local Plan Framework for Rutland is to be altered after consultation with local Councillors etc. There is a meeting at Catmose on Thursday 7th April 2005 at 7 pm. Cllr. Wright will try to attend.
- b. 'Age concern' would like Langham to have a representative. Mrs. Cook of the 'Leisure Club' will be asked if any of their members would like to represent the more mature people of Langham.
- c. DEFRA have sent a communication concerning 'Quality Planning' Cllr. R. Hosmer has taken the papers to peruse them.
- d. The next RCC 'Parish Forum' will be held on 21st April 2005.
- e. Subscription Form for NALC/LRAPLCC has been received. After discussion it was decided that as this organisation gives legal advice etc. to the Parish Council the fee should be renewed. It was proposed to renew the subscription of £219.

Proposed Cllr. R. Hosmer
Seconded Cllr. R. Wright
Agreed unanimously

- f. After discussion it was agreed to renew the CPRE subscription. It was proposed to renew membership for the CPRE. at the cost of £25.

Proposed Cllr. R. Hosmer
Seconded Cllr. R. Wright

- g. Wendy Broad of the Recreational Group has requested that the Parish Council pay the cost of closing the road for a Street Party, which is being run jointly by the Church of St. Peter & St. Paul and the Recreational Group. After much discussion it was decided that it was not possible to pay this fee of £150 because if the Parish Council did so they would have to consider every application in the future from other organisations who wished to close the road. The fee for closing the road for the Golden Jubilee had been waived by the RCC. as a special concession for the Jubilee celebrations. It was suggested that the Village Hall Committee be contacted by Mrs Broad to do a joint application for the Street Market to be held later in the year.

7. PLANNING MATTERS

New Plans

9.2.05	FUL/2005/0078/MJ	Building land rear 63, Church St. Langham
11.2.05	CAT/2005/0093/MT	Remove 3 Conifers Ranksborough
11.2.06	CAT/2005/0093/MT	Remove Eucalyptus tree 8, Orchard Rd
24.2..05	FUL/2005/0168/AH	11, Jubilee Drive ext. & Garage
24.2.05	FUL/2005/0150/MS	Mayflower House paddock to garden. Burley Rd
02.03.05	FUL/2005/0170/MT	single extension 17, Ruddle Way
02.03.05	FUL/2005/0129/MT	2 storey ext. 16, Harewood Close
16.3.05	FUL/2005/0207/mt	22, The Cottessmore Kimball Close, Ashwell 2 storey ext.
19.3.05	CAT/2005/0214//MT	fell hedge 56, Church St.
18.3.05		Glebe Land , Church St. Fell Apple Tree.
24.3.05	FUL/2005/0215/MT	5, Manor Lane, Conservatory
30.3.05	FUL/2005/0217/MT	Land adjacent Manor Farm

Planning Permission Granted

CAT/2005/0085/MT	Removal of Eucalyptus Tree, 8, Orchard Rd Langham
CAT/2005/0093/MT	Remove 3 Conifers 12, Ranksborough Drive Langham
PTA/2005/0017/MT	Works to Yew Tree, 50 Well St. Langham
CAT/2005/0019/MT	Work 2 trees 8, Briggins Walk, Langham
FUL/2004/1245/AH	1st floor ext. 11, Jubilee Drive Langham
FUL/2004/1146/MS	1½ Storey Dwelling House Cold Overton Rd Langham
FUL/2003/1191/AH	Remove condition No. 3 planning permission 89/0295/9 Agric. Occup. The Homestead & Ranksborough Farmhouse Langham
FUL/200401199/MS	Outdoor menege with post & rail wooden fencing Land south of Sharrads Farm , Burley Rd Langham

FINANCIAL STATEMENT 31st MARCH 2005.

Receipts	£22,571.67	
C/f	£21,027.28	
	<u>£43,598.95</u>	
Payments	£30,080.52	
	<u>£13,518.43</u>	
Deposit	£7,409.03	
£6109.40 +	£6,109.40	
	£53.99	Cancelled (lost in post)
	<u>£6,163.39</u>	
BILLS PAID February/ March		
Allianz Cornhill	£45.95	
Clerks & Council Direct	£7.50	
Playdale Playground	£5,883.23	
S.F.Poulter	£175.00	
Greetham Garden Centre	£325.00	
	<u>£6,436.68</u>	
BILLS TO BE PAID		
BILLS TO BE PAID		
RCC	£13.57	
CAPT	£117.50	
ABB	£221.83	
Ordnance Survey	£55.81	
G.A Hubbard	£490.00	
S.F.Poulter	£195.82	
M.Frisby	£70.49	
Village Hall	£8.25	
NALC & LRAPLC	£219.00	
CPRC	£25.00	
	<u>£1,417.27</u>	

It was agreed to accept the Financial report for the 31st March 2005.

Proposed Cllr. R. Hosmer

Seconded Cllr. R. Wright Agreed

9 DATES FOR FUTURE MEETINGS

It was decided that the 'ANNUAL PARISH MEETING' should be on 19th May, 2005 at 7.30pm in the Village Hall. The Parish Council Meeting will be on 26th May 2005 at 7.30 pm. as usual.

10. ANY OTHER BUSINESS

Report by County Cllr. Reid

He provided several answers to queries that he had received from the Parish Council.

1. The question of the alteration of Ruddle Way name. The plaque containing the name of 'The Spires' cannot be removed until Wimpeys have offered the estate for adoption by the RCC.
2. There is still some difficulty in getting permission from the owners of the houses who have the boundary wall facing Burley Rd. The RCC have obtained some permission. They now have permission to change the coping of the wall when they have contacted all owners. The owners will be consulted on design of the topping of the wall which might not be the same as the one offered in the first place by 'Crosby Homes'.

The matter of the 'Car Port' is now in the hands of the Planning Dept. who are asking for new plans so they can consider the matter.

4. The litter bin on the Recreational Field is the responsibility of the Parish Council and can not be emptied by the RCC.

The Chairman thanked County Cllr. Reid for his help in solving the queries. County Cllr. Reid agreed to support any 'planning' queries that the Council has if he is given notice beforehand.

AOB Continued

1. Cllr. Wright raised the matter of the trees on the Recreational Field. It was pointed out that any lopping of the trees must have permission from the Planning Dept. as Langham is now a conservation area. This was noted. Forms can be obtained from Catmose.
2. Cllr. Hosmer handed over Insurance documents for 'Neighbourhood Watch' to be kept with the general Insurance.
Cllr. Crouch offered to obtain some new signs.
3. It was proposed, that the Clerk should get a quote for emptying the Litter Bin on the Recreational Field.

Proposed Cllr. R. Hosmer

Seconded Cllr. R. Wright

Agreed unanimously

The meeting closed at 9pm.

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MINUTES OF MEETING HELD ON 26th MAY, 2005.

PRESENT:-

Cllr. G.Kirk
Cllr. R.Hosmer
Cllr. R. Wright
Cllr. P.Duncan
Cllr. J.Higgins
Cllr. M. Leigh
Cllr.R.Anker
Cllr. H. Crouch
County Cllr. Reid

1. ELECTION OF CHAIRMAN

Councillor G. Kirk was re-elected as Chairman of the Parish Council for the coming year.

Proposed Cllr .P. Duncan
Seconded Cllr. R. Hosmer
Agreed Unanimously

2 . RECREATIONAL FIELD - REPORT BY MR. P. ALLISON.

Mr. Allison reported that nearly all the equipment that has been bought for the field is installed. The last large piece of equipment has had the foundation finished and is waiting for the 'tower' to be installed. He thanked Cllr. Anker and Cllr. Crouch for the use of their equipment in moving the soil and digging out foundations which had saved a great deal of money enabling this to be reinvested in the equipment. The field is being well used by families who are enjoying the new facilities. The Parents who have been involved in the erecting of the equipment are now considering putting in a 'Boules Pit' along the edge of the field so that they can join in when the children are using the equipment. They are also considering purchasing some springy animals for the younger children. The money that has been raised should be spent by then and they hope to have everything finished by the school holidays. There has been some petty vandalism, the major one being the prising off the notice giving the names of Donors. This was returned after the theft being announced in the 'Langham News'. The 'Group' will keep going until everything is functioning to their satisfaction.

3. APOLOGIES

Cllr. H. Crouch sent apologies. He will attend the meeting but was unable to be there for the beginning.

4. DECLARATION OF INTEREST

Cllr. R. Wright declared an interest in an item in Planning.

MINUTES OF MEETING HELD ON 31.3.05

Item Plans 18.03.05 'Glebe Land' should read 'Glebe Field' Minutes then signed as correct.

6. MATTERS ARISING

1. Page 296 (p.292. No. 8) The gate does not fit and another one will be purchased.
2. Page 297 g. Wendy Broad took the Council's advice concerning the fee for closing the road for a Street Party in Church St. She contacted Val Page who was wanting a closure later in the year for the Street Market and together they applied for a joint application which reduced the cost.
3. Page 300 3. The Clerk obtained a quote for emptying the Litter Bin at the lower end of the Recreational field. They quoted a cost of £5.50 a time

After discussion it was proposed that Corrys should be asked to empty the bin once a fortnight from May - September.

Proposed Cllr. R. Hosmer

Seconded Cllr. M. Leigh

Agreed unanimously

4. The Clerk was asked to send a letter of congratulation and thanks to the Recreational Group for their work and near completion of the recreational field. which is a welcome asset to the Village.
5. The Grants from the Council to the Parish Church and Baptist Church. After discussion it was decided to grant £525 to the Parish Church and £354 to the Baptist Church the same proportional increase as the previous year.

Proposed Cllr. R. Wright

Seconded Cllr. M. Leigh

Agreed unanimously

7. CORRESPONDENCE

- a. It was proposed that the subscription to Clerks & Councils Direct should be renewed.

Proposed Cllr. R. Hosmer

Seconded Cllr. R. Wright

Agreed unanimously

- b. A letter from the RCC notifying the Council of a cycle race taking place in Rutland and involving temporary closure of various roads has been received. The information has been posted on the village notice board. The race will take place on Sunday 29th May 2005.

- c. Langham & Barleythorpe WI undertake an annual spring clean-up every year. They have written to thank us for forwarding information about obtaining some equipment to help with the clean-up. This was held on Tuesday the 17th May 2005. The Chairman asked that a letter of appreciation to be sent to them thanking them for their efforts on behalf of all Langham Residents.
- d. Langham Parish Council has acknowledged the transfer of Licence for Noel Arms Langham. Mr. K Bryce is now the Licensee.
- e. V. Page Hon. Sec. Village Hall has sent a letter reminding the Council that there is to be a meeting in the village hall on 2nd June to discuss the forthcoming Street Market.
- f. Langham News have asked the Council for a grant support towards the cost of production. After discussion it was Proposed that £230 should be given with an open offer for another request if needed.

Proposed Cllr. R. Hosmer

Seconded Cllr. M. Leigh

Agreed unanimously

8. PLANNING MATTERS New Plans

14.04.05	FUL/2005/0234/NH	Canopy Rutland Gd Centre. 1 Langham Place.
14.04.05	FUL/2005/0294/MS	Rutland Gd. Centre 2 retail units
14.04.05	FUL/2005/0329/MT	20, Ranksborough Drive
21.04.05	CAT/2005/0371 /MT	Lop Leylandii 22, Burley Rd
26.04.05	FUL/2005/0367/MS	5, Bridge St. Extension
05.05.05	CAT/2005/0399/MT	height Cherry Tree 11, Melton Rd
11.05.05	FUL/2005/0357/HH	8, Church St. Gate & railings
11.05.05	LBA/2005/0387/MS	51, Church St Car port roof
11.05.05	PTA/2005/0441/MT	34 Church St. Height & spread 2 Ash Trees
12.05.05	CAT/2005/0426/MT	Pollard 3 Ash trees 'Fieldfare' Melton Rd.
12.05.05	CAT/2005/0420/MT	Remove Cherry Tree 8, Orchard Rd.
12.05.05	FUL/2005/0458/HH	Extension 4, Jubilee Drive
12.05.05	FUL/2005/0445/MT	Extension 39, Church St
12.05.05	FUL/2005/0448/MT	Conservatory 48, Well St
12.05.05	FUL/2004/0710	3, Melton Rd Retrospective planning perm.

9. FINANCIAL STATEMENT 26th MAY, 2005.

	Receipts	£12,821.32		
	C/f.	£11,830.15		
		<u>£24,651.47</u>		
	Payments	£912.31		
		<u>£23,739.16</u>		
	Deposit	£7,485.24		
		<u>£16,253.92</u>	Receipts April 2005	£12,821.32
			payments	£912.31
				<u>£11,909.01</u>
BILLS PAID				
28.4.05	G.A.Hubbard	£470.00		
	Reid Bros	£192.38		
	ABB	£61.25		
	S.Poulter	£188.68		
		<u>£912.31</u>		
BILLS TO BE PAID				
26.5.05	G.A.Hubbard	£450.00		
	Alliance & Cornhill	£1,115.17		
	S.F.Poulter	£200.78		
	Giffords	£446.50		
	LPCC	£525.00		
	Baptist Church	£354.00		
	Langham News	£230.00		
		<u>£3,321.45</u>		

Proposed that the Financial Statement 26th May, 2005 be passed.

Proposed Cllr. P. Duncan

Seconded Cllr. R. Wright

Agreed unanimously

Audit Commission:- Annual return for the year ended 31. March 2005. It was reported that Mr. J. Jenkins had completed the internal Audit. It was Proposed that the Annual Audit return be passed.

Proposed Cllr. J. Higgins

Seconded Cllr.R. Hosmer

Agreed unanimously

10. MATTERS ARISING FROM THE 'ANNUAL PARISH MEETING'

- a. The Chairman thanked Tim Frisby for his interesting talk about the 'Neighbourhood First Responder Scheme' The aim of this service is to form a body of people who can give a prompt help to anyone who is waiting for ambulance and medical help. The Group is set up in the Melton area at present and there is hope that another group will be formed in Oakham
- b. The matter of the Lighting down the Churchyard footpath was discussed. It was thought that the Church PCC should send the Council an Invoice stating how much they thought the Council should pay towards the cost of the lighting. Our 'Lights' are not the same as the ones in the Churchyard so we do not know how much they are charged.
- c. The Car Parked in Bridge St. that had caused concern has been removed.
- d. It was decided to ask for 2 more litter bins to be placed near the bus stops.

11. ANY OTHER BUSINESS

1. Cllr. Crouch was asked if he could arrange, through Ashwell Prison auspices to clear the brook below the bridge. The staff has changed at the prison but he agreed to see if it is possible to continue the arrangement that had been in place.
Chris Redman is the new officer that deals with such matters.
2. Freedom of Information- Requests need a reply within 20 days.
3. Ranksborough Park has requested that it should be known as Brocklehurst Park. The Parish Council does not support this change.
4. Cllr. R. Wright has read, answered and returned the 'Statement of Community Involvement' informal consultation draft on behalf of the Parish Council.
5. The East Midland Regional Plan is being circulated. Cllr. Higgins alerted the councillors to the fact that this paper really needed studying. Concern was expressed that this paper was talking about matters regarding the area that was being set up by a Non-elective Assembly. It was thought that all Councillors should read the plan and send their comments on it to Cllr. Higgins by Friday 8th July.
6. The Chairman was asked about the Parish Council Church Service. The Chairman was requested to ask for it to be on 20th November 2005.
7. There is a need for a Quality Control Officer for Leics. & Rutland Ass.
8. A wooden bollard is missing from the green opposite the Noel Arms and cars are parking on this area. This matter will be attended to in the near future.
9. Cllr. H. Crouch affirmed that there is a need for a new wooden gate as the old one will not fit. He was asked about 'Crime Stoppers'. This organisation has asked for a donation. Cllr. Crouch told the Council that 'Crime Stoppers' was a good way for members of the public to report any incident to the police without becoming personally involved. It was decided that a letter should be sent asking what benefits as a village we could expect by donating money to Crime stoppers.

The meeting ended approx. 9.15 pm

LANGHAM PARISH COUNCIL

S. Poulter - Parish Clerk

MINUTES OF LANGHAM PARISH COUNCIL MEETING JULY 28th 2005

PRESENT:

Cllr. G. Kirk
Cllr. J. Higgins
Cllr. P. Duncan
Cllr. Anker
Cllr. H. Crouch
Cllr. R. Hosmer
Cllr. R. Wright
Cllr. P. Nourish

1. APOLOGIES

Apologies were received from Cllr. M. Leigh & County Cllr. R. Reid

2. DECLARATION OF INTEREST

Cllr. H. Crouch declared an interest in Planning Hubbards Lodge, Burley Rd. Langham

3. MINUTES 26.5.05

Proposal:

That the minutes be passed as correct:

Proposed Cllr. R. Wright
Seconded Cllr. P. Nourish
Agreed unanimously

4. MATTERS ARISING

a.p.305 Brocklehurst Park.

The Clerk has ascertained from the RCC that this not a change of name for 'Ranksborough Park' but a naming of a new road in the area.

b.p.306 East Midland Regional Plan

As Cllr. Higgins had not received any comments on this plan she had not proceeded any further. The Chairman has sent a letter to Mr Prescott expressing his personal views.

c. p.306 item 6. 20th November has been confirmed as the date of the Parish Council church service.

d. p.305 Litter bin

As the school is undergoing building development it was thought it would be better to wait until they are finished before asking for bins to be placed in that vicinity

e. p.306 Wooden Bollards on green.

It was proposed that Mr. P. Burdett of 6 Jubilee Drive be approached to replace the missing bollard.

Proposed Cllr. R. Hosmer

Seconded Cllr. R. Wright

Agreed Unanimously

5 CORRESPONDENCE

1. The Annual Speed Limit Review 2005/6 has been received from the RCC. After discussion the Clerk was asked to reply stating that the reactive speed control on Melton Rd. at the entry to the Village has improved the speed of traffic through the village and was an asset. The following requests were also to be sent to the RCC .1. A reactive speed control should be place on the entry to the village coming from the Oakham area 2. That the 30 mph sign on the Burley Rd at the entry to the village, be moved to the 'bend sign' that is on road towards the railway crossing, owing to the fact that the recreational ground has been refurbished thus this part of the road is being used more frequently by families and children.
2. CrimeStoppers They had replied answering our questions and after discussion it was decided that the Council would donate £25 to the Charity and ask the Parish at the Annual Meeting whether they were in agreement.

Proposal that the CrimeStoppers Charity be given £25.

Proposed Cllr. P. Duncan

Seconded Cllr.R.Hosmer

Agreed unanimously

3. B.T. Payphones are proposing to realign payphone provision to meet consumer demand. This amounts to the fact they want to take away cash payphones and if Ofcom insists replace them with Cashless phone boxes. There is a consultation period until 20.9.05. After discussion the Council decided as it was practically certain that the payphone box would go so they opted for the Cashless phone box and this will be our answer on the reply form.

4. A letter has been received from the Voluntary Action Rutland informing us that they are the people to approach concerning the clearing of the Brook. They are now in partnership with Ashwell Prison and if we need help with clearing the Brook they will quote us for the job. The Clerk will ask them for a quote to see if their terms are reasonable.
5. ABB have informed us that two new concrete columns are needed in Sharrads Way at the cost of £500 + VAT a column. To transfer the electricity supplies from the old to the new columns will be £514. + VAT. This transfer fee was considered to be very excessive and it was decided to write and ask them to reconsider this price as our consultant electrical engineers considered this charge as 'wholly disproportionate for the work involved'.

The other part of the letter was about the columns in the Churchyard. The Clerk had already informed them that these were not under the control of the Council and that they need to apply to the RCC for any information.

It was proposed that the columns be purchased on receipt of a reply from ABB.

Proposed P. Duncan
 Seconded R. Hosmer
 Agreed unanimously

6. The annual request for a grant has been received from RCAB.

It was proposed that a grant for £50 should be given them.

Proposed Cllr. R. Hosmer
 Seconded Cllr. R. Wright
 Agreed unanimously

7. A letter concerning Roadside Memorials has been sent by RCC. After discussing the alternatives it was decided that 'floral tributes' should remain for a maximum period of six weeks and that permanent memorials should not be authorised. Secondly that planting a tree in memory would be an acceptable way of marking a place on the highway, subject to highway safety. A bench it was considered would prove more difficult to place as the location is often at a dangerous part of the highway. A suggestion that a bench could be placed in a village with a plaque stating 'in memory' or similar.

5. PLANNING

04.06.05	FUL/2005/0470/mt	land Adjacent 10 Lowther Close
04.06.05	FUL/2005/0117/9/MS	46 dwellings Council Depot Ashwell Rd
04.06.06	CAT/2005/0154/MT	9 Ruddle Way fell Pine tree
20.06.05	FUL/2005/0546/MS	Hubbard Lodge Burley Rd.
24.06.05	FUL/2005/0576/IIH	30 Church St.
24.06.06	CAT/2005/0585/MT	4 Sycamore trees Fieldfare House Melton Rd.
29.06.05	FUL/2005/0497/MT	16 Harewood Close

07.07.05	FUL/2005/0623/HH	71, Church St. Ext. + First floor ex.
07.07.05	FUL/2005/0621/MT	Land rear of Kimball Close Ashwell Rd
23.07.05	CAT/2005/0679/MT	Reduce Conifer and Beech trees 8, Church St
23.07.05	CAT/2005/0680/MT	Remove 3 Pine trees.
23.07.05	CAT/2005/0681/MT	21 Harewood Close prune Willow
20.07.05	FUL/2005/0645/MS	Stable block Between Barleythorpe & Cold Overton Rd.

PLANNING PERMISSION

FUL/2005/0215/MT	5 Manor Lane Langham ,Conservatory
FUL/2005/0168/AH	11, Jubilee Drive, Langham extension + double garage
FUL/2005/0170/MT	17, Ruddle Way Langham single storey ex.
CAT/2005/0214/MT	56, Church St Langham. Fell Leylandii Hedge, Lilac and Fir tree
CAT/2005/0192/MT	Glebefield 69, Church St. Langham Fell 1 Apple Tree
FUL/2005/0329/MT	20, Ranksborough Drive Langham, ground floor ex. + garage & studio.
FUL/2005/0234/NH	Rutland Garden Centre Ashwell Rd. Canopy & Tunnel greenhouse
CAT/2005/0371/MT	22, Burley Rd. Langham lop 3 Leylandii.
FUL/2005/0448/MT	42, Well St. Langham Conservatory
FUL/2005/0217/NT	Manor Lane Farm Langham all weather riding surface.
LBA/2005/0387/MS	51, Church St. Replacement of roof with part-pitched flat roof carport.
CAT/2005/0399/MT	11, Melton Rd. Langham Reduce cherry Tree
CAT/2005/0420/MT	8, Orchard Rd. Langham Remove 1 Cherry Tree.
FUL/2005/0207?MT	22, Kimball Close Ashwell Rd 2 storey extension
FUL/2005/0367/MS	5, Bridge St Langham Two storey Ext.
FUL/2005/0458/HH	4, Jubilee Drive, Langham Ground floor ext.
FUL/2005/0408/MS	3, Melton Rd. Langham Retrospective application external stairs to garage.
FUL/2005/0078/MS	63, Church St. Langham 2 storey House on land at rear.
FUL/2005/0470/MT	10, Lowther Close, Langham land adjacent House
CAT/2005/0514/MT	9, Ruddle Way, Langham Fell Pine tree

REFUSAL OF PLANNING PERMISSION

FUL/2005/0129/MT	16, Harewood Close Langham 2 storey Ext. & Chimney
FUL/2005/0150/MS	Mayflower House Burley Rd, Change of use from Paddock to res garden.

There was discussion about the planning proposal for the RCC to build 46 dwellings on the RCC Depot land. The Councillors were aghast that this land should be thought suitable for low cost housing or any housing as it was prone to flooding and there would not be any extra facilities provided for residents. They thought it was immoral to build houses on this particular land and asked the Clerk to convey their feelings to the RCC.

There was a discussion about the Planning application for 'Hubbards Lodge'. There appears to be a good deal of confusion the Planning Dept. at RCC and the applicant. The Chairman decided he would seek clarification as to the situation regarding the planning application.

6. FINANCIAL STATEMENT 28.7.05

	Receipts	£14,728.40	
	C/f	£11,830.15	
		<u>£26,558.55</u>	
	Payments	£9,094.27	
		<u>£17,464.28</u>	
	Deposit	£7,486.24	
		<u>£9,978.04</u>	
	Bills Paid		
10-Jun-05	Lewis	£12.29	
17-Jun-05	Leics Playscape	£3,336.88	
30-Jun-05	Leics Playscape	£100.00	
30-Jun-05	G.A.Hubbard	£580.00	
30-Jun-05	Langham Village Hall	£108.25	
30-Jun-05	ABB	£178.24	
30-Jun-05	Powergen	£242.81	
30-Jun-05	ROSPA	£76.38	
		<u>£4,634.85</u>	
	Bills to be Paid		
28-Jul-05	G. A. Hubbard June	£490.00	
28-Jul-05	G. Kirk	£20.00	
28-Jul-05	S.Poulter	£178.24	
28-Jul-05	G. A. Hubbard July	£470.00	
		<u>£1,158.24</u>	

It was proposed that the Financial Statement be passed:

Proposed Cllr. Higgins
 Seconded Cllr. Crouch
 Agreed unanimously

- c. The Clerk distributed a Recreation Account July 2005. statement regarding the amount of money that has gone through the Books kept by the Council. The group has received £20665.75 and spent £20765.75 the extra £100 has been paid from the VAT returns which now remains at £411.88. The group would like the council to pay this amount towards other equipment without waiting for this VAT to be claimed by the Council This will be reclaimed at the end of the Financial year.

It was proposed that the Group should be granted the VAT without waiting and that this should be reclaimed by the Council at the end of the year.

Proposed Cllr. R. Hosmer
Seconded Cllr. P. Nourish
Agreed unanimously

The Chairman asked if the Council agreed that the Recreational Group instead of disbanding should be asked to stay on as Trustees to the Recreation Ground. It was agreed to invite Mr. Allison to attend the next meeting in September so that this suggestion can be put

7. ANY OTHER BUSINESS

- a. Cllr. Wright informed the Council that Mr. R. Yates of the Tallow Chandlers has been invited by the Village History Group to give a talk about the work undertaken by his company on Thursday 27th Oct. in the Baptist Church.
- b. Mr. Hubbard will be asked to trim round the seat on Ashwell Rd. as it is becoming impossible to sit on the seat owing to grass and nettles.
- c. Cllr. Hosmer wanted the Council to give thought to the Headstones for the Burial Ground in the section reserved for Cremations. He had some illustrations and after discussion it was decided that any headstone should be flat and not exceeding 18" square.

It was proposed that any Headstone for the cremation section of the Burial Ground should be a flat stone not exceeding 18" square.

Proposed Cllr. P. Duncan
Seconded Cllr. R. Anker
Agreed unanimously

The meeting closed at approx. 9.15 pm

Next meeting is on 29th September 2005

LANGHAM PARISH COUNCIL

S. Poulter, Parish Clerk

MINUTES OF LANGHAM PARISH COUNCIL MEETING 29.9.05

PRESENT

Cllr. G. Kirk (Chairman)

Cllr. R. Anker

Cllr. R. Hosmer

Cllr. R. Wright

Cllr. P. Nourish

Cllr. H. Crouch

1. APOLOGIES

Apologies were received from

Cllr. M. Leigh

County Cllr. R. Reid

Cllr. J. Higgins

2. DECLARATION OF INTEREST

There were no Declaration of Interests.

3. REPORT MR. P. ALLISON re TRUSTEESHIP OF PLAYING FIELD

Mr. Allison reported that the Recreational Group Committee felt that they had completed their original remit. They had raised funds and purchased equipment for the playing field, which now is fully equipped, with no further room for any more equipment. They had tried to encourage some of the younger members of the group that helped with the raising of funds etc. to take over but had met with no success.

The Committee had decided that as they could serve no useful service in remaining as a 'Committee' they wished to stand down and pass the Trusteeship back to the Council. They felt there was nowhere else to go. They had fulfilled their purpose in equipping the field. They will place the remaining funds into the Council care and close the account. Mr. Allison thanked the councillors who had helped with the 'heavy work' making the erection of the equipment possible.

The Chairman on the Council's behalf thanked all the people involved for doing 'a very good job' They and the Village can be very proud of the results.

Mr. Allison also told the Council that there were people who were willing to help check the safety of the equipment on a continuing basis. There will be some money over to help with such things as replacing the bark etc. The only concern he had about the equipment was the possibility of youngsters climbing onto the roof of the shelter which means safety measures and insurance must be taken into consideration by the Council. The Clerk will check whether the insurance covers all the equipment and whether 'public liability' covers the playing field. Mr. Allison said he would supply the Clerk with a full inventory of the new equipment. The Recreational Group is hoping to set up an 'inspection group' to ensure the safety of the equipment, six people are needed for this duty. This is a legal requirement by the Insurance Company.

The Chairman thanked via Mr. Allison the Recreational Group for all their hard work on behalf of the Village.

4. MINUTES OF MEETING HELD ON 28.7.05.

PAGE 312 'To' to be put before the last word 'him' the Minutes were then passed as correct.

Proposed that the minutes be passed as correct.

Proposed Cllr. R. Wright Seconded Cllr. P. Nourish Agreed

5. MATTERS ARISING THEREFROM

- a..p.308 e. The bollards have all been replaced around the green by Mr. P. Burdett.
- b. p.309 4. Cllr. Hosmer has spoken to 'The Voluntary Action Group' and is arranging to meet their representative to discuss the cost of clearing our part of the brook. There will need to find somewhere to put the vegetation. The Clerk was asked to approach RCC Highways to ask them to clear the brook alongside the Highway in Well St and under the bridges.
- c. P.310 RCC (46 dwellings) on RCC Depot land. County Cllr. Reid has reported to the Chairman that the Council's letter has been received and that the plans have been sent for arbitration to The East Midland Region. The Ruddle Way wall is still pending.
- d. p.312 a Cllr. Wright reported that another time was being arranged for this meeting.
- e. P.312b Mr. Hubbard has trimmed around the seat on Ashwell Rd. and it can now be sat upon in comfort. Cllr. Nourish was thanked for trimming the hedge round the playing field roadside.
- f. page 312 c Cllr. Hosmer has received a verbal request asking the Council to reconsider their decision to have a flat headstone for the cremation section. After discussion it was decided to stay with the original decision.

6. CORRESPONDENCE

1. LloydsTSB has sent information about new conditions and bank changes. The Chairman has undertaken to peruse them.
2. The notification of the meeting of Vision 2010 Stage 2 Consultation was discussed. It was understood that there were to be 3 new areas Oakham East, Uppingham, & Cottesmore. Why these areas had been chosen was not made clear. It was hoped that there would be further information.
3. Two letters from RCC imposing 40 mph speed limits on A6003 (part) and C8326 (part) and extension of 50 mph speed limit — A6003 (part) Parish of Manton Order 2005 and derestriction and imposition of 40 mph speed limit on C8320 and C7316
4. Crimestoppers have sent a letter of thanks for our contribution.
5. Letters of thanks were also received from RCC about our 'roadside memorials' and 'Speed restriction review'. Both will be answered more fully in the future.
6. The Langham Village Hall has received the 'New Licensing Arrangements' The Hall may be licensed for the sale of alcohol on twelve occasions only during the year.
7. Alan Duncan MP has sent a letter to all Parish Councils concerning Telephone boxes (payphones) and Road signs (and streetscape). The Council discussed the situation and the Clerk will write stating that our Red phone box was long gone but the matter of 'payphones' was still in the future. The retaining of one box in the village would be appreciated. The road sign issue was very much to the fore. It was thought that there are far too many poles on the roadside and that many of the signs could be put together making the amount of poles far less. Also the lighting around the new roundabout on Ashwell Road is far too bright and being so high make them too conspicuous. The whole roundabout is ill designed, it has now made the traffic coming from Oakham difficult to see when coming from the railway crossing on the Langham Rd. If Mr Duncan can help with these matters it would be appreciated.
8. The RCC have written and informed us that when the budget for year 2006 comes in they will be able to allocate two floor standing Victoriana litterbins to be put near the bus shelters in Burley Road.
9. APLC have sent information on how to access their website, which was passed onto the Councillors.

7. PLANNING MATTERS

29.07.05	FUL/2005/0691/MT	reduce height 1 Ash tree fell 1 Ash tree 34, Church St.
17.07.05	CAT/2005/0710/MT	fell 2 laurel & 2 Holly trees 16, Ranksborough Drive Langham
17.08.05	FUL/2005/0749/CP	Summerhouse 15, Lonsborough Gds Langham
17.08.05	CAT/2005/0774/MT	9, Ruddle Way remove 1 cherry Tree
25.08.05	FUL /2005/0797/CP	32a Well St. single extension
06.09.05	FUL/2005/0797/CP	Land adj. 24, Church St 1 dwelling
08.09.05	FUL/2005/0623/MS	Revised 2st. ext & st floor ext. 71, Church St. Langham"
08.09.05	CAT/2005/0841/MT	Fell 1 Cherry Tree 60. Burley Rd.
16.09.05	CAT/2005/0850/MT	Rem 1 Willow Tree op. 27 Church St
29.09.05	FUL/2005/0906/CP	2 st. dwelling 37. Church St."
29.09.05	CAT/2005/0924/MT	fell 2 Silver Birch Land in front of 57 Church St

PLANNING PERMISSION

15.06.05	FUL/2005/0497/MT	16, Harewood Close 2 & single st. Extension
07.06.05	FUL/2005/0576/HH	39, Church St. Conservatory
21.07.05	FUL/2005/0714/MS	Change of use of agricultural land.
14.07.05	CAT/2005/0710/MT	Fell Laurel trees and 2 Holly Trees 16, Ranksborough Drive
11.07.05	CAT/2005/0681/MT	Thin and prune 1 Willow Tree 21, Harewood Close
11.07.06	CAT/2005/0679/MT	Reduce 1 Conifer and 1 Beech Tree 9, Church St.
11.07.07	CAT/2005/0680/MT	Remove 3 Conifer trees 6, Church St.
11.07.08	CAT/2005/0774/MT	Remove 1 Cherry Tree 9, Ruddle Way
14.07.05	PTA/2005/0691/MT	Fell ash Tree & reduce height of 1 Ash Tree 34, Well St.

8. FINANCIAL REPORT

Receipts	£15,366.62
C/fwd	<u>£11,830.15</u>
	£27,196.77
payments	<u>£13,173.11</u>
	£14,023.66
deposit a/c	<u>£7,486.24</u>
	<u><u>£6,537.42</u></u>

Bills Paid	
Hacker Young	£293.75
S F Poulter	£182.77
G A Hubbard	£560.00
P. Burdett	£156.27
Leics. Playscape	<u>£1,410.00</u>
	<u><u>£2,602.79</u></u>

Bills to be paid	
S.F.Poulter	£175.00
G.A.Hubbard	£715.00
ABB	£1,191.45
CPRE	£25.00
ABB	<u>£225.66</u>
	<u><u>£2,332.11</u></u>

9. ANY OTHER BUSINESS

- A. After discussion about the replacing of 2 light columns in Sharrads Way it was decided to ask ABB whether they could advise the Council as to how many more Concrete poles were likely to need replacing in the near future. Sharrads Way, The Grange and Harewood Close were all built about the same time so it was felt that there may well be many more columns needing replacing which will involve increasing the Precept.
- B. It was reported that there has been a building erected on the old sewage works. No one appears to know officially what it is to be used for and whether any planning permission has been sought for its erection. The clerk will enquire of Mr. M. Smith, of the Planning Dept. that, if it has planning permission did it need 'change of use' planning.
- C. County Cllr. Reid has reported to the Chairman that the Ruddle Wall has not been forgotten and will be attended to in the near future.
- D. Cllr. Wright reported that the 'new' trees on the playing field need attention. It was agreed that she should make a plan of what needs to be done so that planning permission can be obtained.
- E. Cllr. Nourish agreed to see what needs doing to the allotment hedge and trim it if this is necessary.
- F. Cllr. Crouch reported that the village was being targeted by burglars who were looking for any opportunity to break into houses and steal. He asked the councillors to keep a look out and advise the villagers to be vigilant.

The meeting closed at approx 9 o'clock.

The next meeting will be on Thursday November 24th 2005.

LANGHAM PARISH COUNCIL

S.Poulter, Parish Clerk

Minutes of Langham Parish Council 24th November 2005

Present:

Cllr. G. Kirk (Chairman)

Cllr. R.Anker

Cllr. R. Hosmer

Cllr. R. Wright

Cllr. P. Duncan

Cllr. H. Crouch

Cllr. M. Leigh

Cllr. J. Higgins

Apologies: Apologies were received from County Councillor Reid

Declaration Of Interest

There was no Declaration of Interests.

Minutes Of Meeting Held On - 29th September 2005

Cllr. Higgins asked that it be recorded that she was absent on the 29.9.05 owing to the fact that she had a migraine. This was accepted.

p.316 - Loughborough Gds should read Lonsborough Gds.

p.314 - f. 'received a letter' should read 'had a verbal request'

The Minutes were then passed as correct.

Matters Arising Therefrom

1. p.314 b. We are still waiting for a quote from 'The Voluntary Action Group' concerning the clearing of our part of the brook.
2. p.314 c. There was good news about the Ruddle Way wall. Cllr. Higgins reported that the wall has been lowered, making entering Burley Rd. less of a hazard. The topping has not been changed but it was felt that as there are other toppings of walls in the area similar to the Ruddle Way wall it should be accepted. The Council has fought hard and long to have the wall lowered and it is now safer.

3. p.315 7. A letter has been sent to Alan Duncan regarding the multitude of signs adorning the roadside and County councillor Reid has asked the Councillors to collate and give him the information regarding the signs that they wish removed or at least put on one pole. They agreed to do this and also to query the colour of the signs as they seem to vary from sign to sign.
4. Cllr. Wright requested that the making of a list of trees needing attention should be undertaken in the Spring and this was accepted.
5. p.314 e Cllr. Wright queried the placing of the bollards on the 'green' as the cars still seemed to be parking on part of the 'green'. The Councillors agreed that they should keep an eye on the situation.
6. p.314 d The History group are still waiting for a new time for the Tallow Chandlers visit.
7. p.318 b The Clerk has enquired about the erection of the building on the old sewage works. Mr. Smith of the Planning Department said that he knew about the building and that they are waiting for retrospective plans to be sent to the Planning Dept. in the near future. The Councillors will make sure that the plans are sent to the Planning dept.
8. p318 f. Cllr. Crouch reported that Langham has been targeted by thieves in the past two weeks and that everybody should be extra careful by putting any tempting items out of sight of prying eyes. Also that all cars and houses should be securely locked.

Correspondence:

- A. A letter from RCC re: Affordable Homes Scrutiny Review Group has been received regarding the Land owned by parish councils, they want to prepare a review report. A reply will be sent stating that the council owns the land off Burley Rd. that is used for Allotments, recreational field, burial ground and Langham Woodlands with no spare land for building houses.
 - B. APLC has sent a notice of several courses they are running. This will be circulated for all Councillors to note.
 - C. RCC 'Rutland together' local strategy group has noted that Langham has no representative. Cllr. Crouch who attends some of their meetings says he will be our Representative and give the Parish Council reports about the group.
 - D. ABB has on request given a report on the safety of the remaining concrete light columns in Langham. They reported that in the next five years 10 columns at least will need changing. An aluminium column on Ranksborough Drive may also deteriorate in the next few years. The current cost to replace a concrete column with new 5 metre steel column complete with a 35 watt sodium lantern controlled by an all night photocell including transferring the electricity service is £507 plus VAT each.
- p.320E East Midlands Electricity have changed their name to Central Networks and Langham is within The Central Networks East Region.

Planning Matters:

New Plans:

05.10.05	FUL/2005/0856/MT	Widening Access 19, Church St. Langham
11.10.05	TPO No1 2005	Land op. 27 Church St. Willow tree.
12.10.05	LBA/2005/0897/CP	26, Well St. replacing window frames & backdoor.
13.10.05	TPO	2 Silver Birch trees front 57 Church St. Langham
14.10.05	CAT/2005/093 8/MT	Pollard Willow Tree, Langham Cottage Burley Rd.
14.10.05	CAT/2005/0997/MT	Removal Plane tree 9 The Range Langham
14.10.05	LBA/2005/0934/MT	Remove outbuildings 24, Well St. Langham
03.11.05	PTA/2005/1062/MT	Fell 1 Silver Birch 57, Church St Langham

Planning Permission:

Ful/2005/0858/MT	widening Access 19, Church St Langham
FUL/2005/0749/CP	Summerhouse 16, Lonsborough Gds Langham
FUL/2005/0797/CP	extension 32a Well St. Langham
FUL/2005/0623/MS	Extension 71, Church St. Langham
CAT/2005/0841/MT	remove 1 Cherry Tree 60, Burley Rd. Langham
CAT/2005/0585/MT	various works to 4 Sycamore trees. Fieldfare House Langham
TPO	2 Silver Birch Trees on land 57, Church St Langham
TPO	1 Willow Tree land opposite 27, Church St Langham

Planning Refusal:

ful/2005/0906/CP	37, Church St. 2 Storey dwelling
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Financial Statement:

November 2005 Balance Of Accounts

RECEIPTS	£15,726.62
C/F	<u>£11,830.15</u>
	<u>£27,556.77</u>
PAYMENTS	<u>£15,984.05</u>
	<u>£11,572.72</u>
DEPOSIT A/C	<u>£7,486.24</u>
	<u>£4,086.48</u>
BILLS PAID	
POWERGEN	£242.81
S. F. POULTER	<u>£202.29</u>
	<u>£445.10</u>
ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT	
ABB	£26.26
G. A. HUBBARD	£490.00
S. F. POULTER	<u>£188.99</u>
	<u>£705.25</u>

It was proposed that the Financial report be passed.

Proposed Cllr.R.Hosmer

Seconded Cllr. M. Leigh

Agreed unanimously.

Precept For 2006/7

A paper was presented covering the costing of the 2006/7 Precept

The predicted outgoings were discussed and the increases were discussed.

The grass cutting this year has increased owing to the fact that the weather has caused the grass to keep growing beyond the usual grass cutting months. There is a need to budget for a further 2 cuttings a year. There was agreement that Mr. Hubbard looked after the Village, keeping it looking well cared for.

After the report from ABB concerning the replacing of light columns it is thought necessary to increase the forward costing of street lighting. The RCC does not undertake to pay for replacements only a grant towards the cost of lighting. When the claim form comes in the Clerk will check this to see if there is anyway we can claim for repairs.

This current year we hadn't anticipated paying an extra £1014 on new columns. We now know that at least 10 columns will need replacing in the near future. Most other outgoings will rise a bit during the next year but not to the extent predicted for the two above items. The current years Precept was £10000 and next years, owing to this extra costing, was proposed should be £13500.

This amount is on a par with most Villages of comparable size.

Before asking the Parish Council to accept this proposal the letter from The Village Hall Trustees was discussed. A copy of this letter had been sent to every Councillor two weeks before the meeting so that they had time to peruse and understand the Trustees proposal.

There was general consternation that this proposal had come in such a manner, the Council's representative on the Village Hall committee being just as surprised as the rest of the Council. He had not been informed that a letter of such a nature was being sent to the Council from the Trustees. There had not been any approach informally or otherwise concerning this matter.

During the discussion various points were highlighted. As far as Langham Parish Council is concerned the running of the Village Hall has never been part of their remit. The Council are not aware of having ownership of the Hall and up until now nobody had ever suggested that they did.

The Parish Council and the Trustees of the Village Hall have always been two independent and autonomous bodies. The feeling was that this independence had worked well in the past and should be retained rather than merging as one body. As the Parish Council does not have the terms of the Trusteeship they were not sure that this would be legal. It was noted that the Hall was used by many people other than Village residents and that not all Villagers use the Hall. It was agreed that the Village Hall is an asset for the Village. The Parish Council would support the Trustees efforts to raise money by obtaining grants etc but not to use the Precept to pay for the running costs of the Hall. Other ways of helping were discussed but making an annual grant was not considered desirable. They are however willing to make a grant towards any large projects in keeping the Hall viable. The discussion ended.

The Council turned its attention to passing the proposed Precept for the year 2006/7

There were two proposals concerning the setting of the Precept:

1. That the Precept be set at £14000 for the year 2006/7 which would cover any extra grants.
Proposed Cllr. P. Duncan
Seconded Cllr. R. Anker
2. That the Precept be set at £13500 for the year 2006/7 and that any extra grants come out of the Deposit account if necessary.
Proposed Cllr.R.Hosmer
Seconded Cllr. M. Leigh

The first proposal was passed by a majority so 2006/7 Precept will be set at £14000

Any Other Business

A Cllr. Higgins had attended the Parish Forum and gave a report.

Key Points:- Letter from Leicester Police Authority concerning meetings taking place around the Authority.

Community Heritage Project (Presentation 20 mins) Encourage communities to record Biodiversity of area/location.

Rutland Museums service (presentation 20 mins) Need to make partnerships with other groups. Projects : on English Heritage lists to develop clearance of castle walls Educational programmes include early history of poacher in Nether Hambleton. Recycling in Rutland:- Discussion re capacity available – Present situation alright and static. Problems occur in 2010 Landfill sites will be full up.

Anglian Water Proposals – Anglian criticised for launching into interventive proposals when water can be obtained from several sites to produce a nil-change proposal which has not yet been explored. RCC are still weighing up proposals. NB

1. 80 acres (in Anglian proposal) of good farmland are under threat to form 'lagoons'
2. Tourism may be affected by dried out areas.
3. 6000 more migrating birds expected.
4. Need assessment of impact of vehicles and people to move stones etc to Manton over 3 year period

Egleton and Hambleton have put in full objections each 11 pages long.

Date of Next Meetings 12 Jan. 06 at 7 pm & 6 Apr. 06 at 7 pm

B. The APLC has a meeting on Wed 7.12.05 at Wing attended by Principal Planning Officer about Rutland Water.

C. Cllr. Crouch has been approached about flat headstones on the Burial Ground. After another discussion the Councillors decided that flat stones were the best decision.

It was proposed that the decision to have flat stones in the cremation corner of the Burial Ground.

Proposed Cllr. R. Wright

Seconded Cllr. Janet Higgins

Agreed unanimously

D. Cllr. Crouch reported that there was to be a display road monitor on the Burley Rd recording 30m and 60m. He will pass the information on that Ashwell Rd and Manor Lane need monitoring in the morning and evening.

E. There has been an amicable arrangement between the Parents wanting to park in the Pub car park and the Publican. Parking can take place so that the children can get to school safely.

F. The Chairman asked that letters of thanks should be sent to the Vicar for conducting the Thanksgiving Service and to Robert for providing the Refreshments.

- The Meeting closed roughly about 9 o'clock
- Next meeting will on Thursday 26th January