Minutes of Laceby Village Council Finance and Planning Meeting Held at the Stanford Centre, Cooper Lane, Laceby on Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> May 2025 at 8.00pm

13523 Present:	Chair – Cllr B Metcalf
	Cllr S Greenbeck, Cllr P Schofield, Cllr P Page, Cllr S Turner, Cllr D Johnson,
	Cllr R Childs, Cllr R Barford
In Attendance:	Nicola Ashton – Clerk & RFO, Ward Cllr D Hasthorpe, Humberside Police
	Officer, 6 members of public
Apologies:	Clir R James, Clir Hall

Cllr Metcalf opened the meeting, and welcomed all present to the meeting. The statement regarding the Recording of Meetings was read out. Apologies were received and accepted.

# 13524 Minutes from the 1<sup>st</sup> April 2025

The minutes from the Finance and Planning Meeting on the 1<sup>st</sup> April 2025 were checked and minutes were proposed by Cllr Schofield and seconded by Cllr Page as a true record, and agreed by all Councillors present.

# **RESOLVED:** That the minutes be approved as a true and accurate record of events.

# 13525 Declaration of Interests & Dispensations

a. Dispensations

No dispensations recorded.

**b.** Declarations of Interest No declarations of interest recorded.

# 13526 Public Forum

Members of the public may make representations, answer questions, and give evidence at a meeting to which they are entitled to attend in respect of the items on the agenda. The time designated for public participation will not exceed 15 minutes in total, and 3 minutes per person. As per standing orders 3e and 3f.

- Member of the public advised they were present due to issues with ASB outside their house, explaining situation. Cllr Metcalf asked if the resident had informed the police of the issues, because other residents have had similar issues. PC advised that their colleague had spoken to people and cameras had been put up, and would speak to the resident after the meeting. Cllr Metcalf suggested that the resident also log the issue with NELC ASB team.
- Member of the public explained that the travellers had caused significant concerns for residents and asked if a deterrent could be reinstated to prevent access? Cllr Metcalf explained it was private land, so the responsibility of the property owner, however agreed with the resident that the Council could write to the diocese and request this action be taken.
- Member of the public asked about the speed reduction on Butt Lane. The Clerk advised that there had been no update on this, but it was due any time now. Cllr Hasthorpe confirmed that it had all gone through with planning.
- Member of the public asked if the website could be updated with the newsletters and social media policy.

Public Forum closed 8.10pm.

# 13527 Matters Arising

- Travellers on Butt Lane
  - This was discussed within public forum
- Church Wall

Cllr Metcalf advised that the Church Wall was all done, and that everyone was very glad it was completed! Cllr Johnson advised that current invoices totalled £83,205, however, there were additional invoices to come from the archaeology works.

# • Road Safety Grimsby Road

The Clerk advised she had not received any response from NELC regarding this, and will chase up.

# 13528 Police Matters

The PC present advised that there had been 35 recorded crimes in Wolds, with 16 reported from Laceby ranging from ASB, drunk drivers, public orders, travellers, and wildlife. The newsletter is available on LVC website

Cllr Metcalf and PC xx advised that residents should report all concerns to the police, either on 999 where crime is in progress / with a high risk, 101 for non-urgent response or via the police website. All logs made on the website are screened and responded to according to urgency.

It was noted that if the concerns were not raised then the police were not aware there was a problem and cannot assist residents.

There were no further concerns to be raised directly with the policing team.

# 13529 Ward Councillors Report

Cllr Hasthorpe advised there was nothing to report this month.

# **13530** Planning Matters

DM/0257/25/FUL – erect small extension to front enclosed porch; 29 Blyth Way, Laceby. No objections were identified.

# **RESOLVED: Clerk to advise Planning.**

There were no further planning applications for consideration.

#### 13531 Finance & Governance

To approve payment of accounts to 6<sup>th</sup> May 2025.

Wages x 3 members of staff - Month 2	£xxxx
HMRC – Tax and NI - Month 2	£525.78
NEST Pension – Month 2	£115.28
Chairs Allowance – May 2025	£20.00
Clerk Petty Cash, Telephone & Broadband	£46.69
Groundskeeper Petrol	£40.00
Meeting Room Hire	£10.50
Cemetery Waste	£76.08
Archaeological Costs – Church Wall	£8,282.40
Liability Insurances	£1,749.37
Payroll services 2024/25	£312.00
Replanting of Trees at Church	£1,266.00
Structural Engineer (Church Wall)	£50.00

# **RESOLVED:** All payments approved; proposed by Clir Turner, seconded by Clir Greenbeck and all agreed.

#### **Internal Audit Report**

It was noted the Internal Audit report had been received just prior to the meeting, and identified no concerns. It was agreed to share the report and add back onto next agenda.

#### AGAR 2024/25 Accounts

It was agreed to review this at next meeting.

#### Practitioners guide update

The Clerk explained that the Practitioners Guide has stated that the 2025/26 AGAR must be using a gov.uk / org website and email addresses. Although it was previously agreed to delay this, we will need to have this done later in the year. Clerk to advise when research completed.

# Insurance

The Clerk advised that the Church Wall had been added to the Insurance, and that this may lead to us incurring further invoice for insurance.

# **Standing Orders**

Sections 14 and 18 have been updated by NALC, these have been incorporated into the Standing Orders. All Councillors agreed to the adoption of new standing orders.

# 13532 St Francis Grove Play Area Matters

This was covered within the APM.

#### 13533 Church and Cemetery Matters

#### Church

Cllr Metcalf shared a letter of thanks from the Church regarding the replaced Church Wall.

Cllr Childs advised that due to a clash of diary dates, the Church Fete was now 28<sup>th</sup> June.

# Cemetery

Cllr Greenbeck advised that there was a laying of Wreaths at the Cemetery on Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> May at 11am. It was noted the LCC were hosting a picnic and beacon lighting on Thursday afternoon and there was a Church service on the coming Sunday.

# 13534 Stanford Centre

This was covered within the APM.

# 13535 Correspondence

The resignation of Cllr Ros James was noted. Cllr Greenbeck requested a letter of thanks be sent to Cllr James. The Clerk will advertise the vacancy.

#### 13536 Information Exchange

- Cllr Barford raised query regarding untenanted plot at the Allotments. This needs looking into further.
- Cllr Turner asked if the Council could find out the schedule of grass cutting for the Bypass, and the Clerk advised Victoria Park also.

# 13537 Exclusion of Press and Public

RESOLVED: The exemption of the press and public for the remainder of the meeting under the Public Bodies Admissions to Meetings Act 1960, Section 1(2) on the grounds that the discussion of the following business is likely to disclose confidential information.

• HR

The Chair closed the public meeting at 8.28pm.

Signed: .....

Chair

Dated: .....