11th December 2014 PARISH COUNCIL MINUTES
7.30pm at SHEARSBY VILLAGE HALL

1. **PRESENT:** Cllrs Mrs J Vann (Chair) Messrs R Dahm, D Durran, M Reynolds, A Timms. Clerk

2. **APOLOGIES:** (not received) D Cllr, N Hall; C Cllr G Hart.

3. **DECLARATIONS:** of Interest. None.

4. **MINUTES:** of last meeting 12th September previously corrected, signed and dated.

5. **DISTRICT and COUNTY:** councillor reports. None to hand.

6. **PUBLIC:** raised no additional items.

7. **FINANCE:** Current balance at Santander **£8541.63**.
   Interim cheques issued:
   - 059 **£60** Internal Audit.
   - 060 **£60** External Audit.
   - 061 **£169.27** Eon Q maint.
   - 062 **£60** LCC website.
   - 063 **£50** Mow-how V green grass-cut.
   - 064 **£37.61** Eon Q elec used.
   - 065 **£250** Pilates sessions.
   - 066 **£50** Mow-how V green grass-cut.
   - 067 **£468** Clerk fee.
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   - 071 **£468** Clerk fee.
   - 072 **£29.13** Eon Q elec used.
   - To be paid at this meeting **067 **£468** Clerk fee. D Debit due **£29.13** Eon Q elec used.
   - Santander mandate requirement met for Cllr Durran (copy dv lic) now require dated ut bill from Cllr Reynolds.

8. **HIGHWAYS and STREET LIGHTING:** Clerk had emailed Mike Sheldrake at LCC highways, on a number of points;
   - Burnt signs - a new sign had appeared at the cross-roads but saying *Knaptof*
   - The t is to be corrected/added. Another sign is due here on the “spare” posts.
   - Blue lines (ineffective) - no response
   - Highway ditches Welford Rd - no response
   - Potholes etc the Narrows Cllr Timms’ or this email had resulted in some repairs.
   - Trees on the Bank no response

STREET LIGHTS, as we only have 5 a request to be made to convert to low-energy and consider leaving on all night in view of the low number as we pay the supply bills.
Proposed Cllr Durran, 2nnd Cllr Reynolds.

RW/GATES/STILES. Cllr Timms reported Dan Abraham has visited and looked and quoted **£573.20 inc VAT** supply only. A posthole machine and bedding to be sourced and quoted. AT Formal written quotes to be provided on paper/email to Clerk for ordering.

SIGNS for village. Many variations but one of interest at £1350+VAT. Under-plate or post flower tubs expensive to add so under-sign tubs possibly later. (Buried timber posts NOT suitable as has been found from the play-frame) Nominally £2000 budgeted for two but savings may be found elsewhere. Cllrs Vann & Reynolds to meet and progress.
3 NEW SALT BINS & 2 SPREADERS delivered, salt awaited and “road-test” to see if a small spinner mod is required in use. Old yellow bin collected by LCC.

9. **PLANNING:** Passed: window at Newstead Fenny Lane; swimpool at Church Lane Refused: c/use Lakes off Bruntingthorpe Rd. Supported: tree work at White House, Main St.

10. **CORRESPONDENCE:** Various emails/letters circulated between meetings.
No response from the owner of the field at the end of Fenny Lane ref renting for village use.
“Names in hat” Chairman and Clerk, for possible Buckingham Palace garden party next May.

11. **VILLAGE HALL and VILLAGE GREEN:** Lease details have been considered and discussed with Mr Littlejones and it has been decided there are no major changes so the minor ones will be borne over. Solicitor Roger Taylor of Hedleys to be thanked for his transfer works and the title deeds with the old file to be requested returned with his fee for payment. PB

12. **TREES, MOWING, PLAY EQUIPMENT:** Tree Amigos to return for 1 last trimming next week.

Mowing: now that the LCC refund amount is known at £499.89 for 6986sqm (5 cuts) 3 prices required (one to hand already) others to have an A3 plan delivered with request for 5-9 cuts A Chesterfield based enquiry was declined! PB

Play equipment: A Streetscape no 3 looked most favourable at an all-in price of £8750+VAT The old frame to be offered on ebay. To be looked at again when the old frame has gone in case a swing can be included as mentioned by interested families. A bench/table has also been suggested for parents/picnic use if funds permit. Order and lead time is important to commence within grant period. JV/AT

13. **DEVELOPMENT PLAN:** Cllr Dahm proposed the next step be a bacon butty morning in the Village Hall Sat 7th February, for engaging the village in the future possibles. RD

14. **COMMUNICATIONS:** Cllr Reynolds said new items were on line BUT speed/capacity is not there so the sooner the better for rural broadband. DCllr Hall, CCllr Hart Cllrs Decs of Int required, Clerk to check files and provide. MR/PB

15. **AWARD for NEW COUNCILS:** Available £25,000 maximum. Spent to date eight items £6515.39 inc VAT where applicable. Received two LRALC refunds. There will be a VAT reclaim to submit. PB

16. **URGENT or LATE ITEMS:** Precept cannot be decided until HDC has their meeting to agree their budget mid month. Only then can we call an EGM in January to agree our submission. Proposed Cllr Durran NO increase this year as we are in receipt of a major grant, Seconded Cllr Dahm.

MEETING CLOSED 9.20pm EGM tba mid Jan NEXT MEETING Thursday 12th MARCH 2015