

Minutes of Laceby Village Council Finance and Planning Meeting
Held at the Stanford Centre, Cooper Lane, Laceby on Tuesday 1st July 2025 at 7.30pm

- 13553 Present:** Chair – Cllr D Johnson
Cllr S Greenbeck, Cllr P Schofield, Cllr P Page, Cllr S Turner, Cllr M Hall, Cllr R Barford, Cllr R Childs
- In Attendance:** Nicola Ashton – Clerk & RFO
5 members of public
- Apologies:** Cllr B Metcalf, Ward Cllr D Hasthorpe

Cllr Johnson 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.

13554 Minutes from the 3rd June 2025

The minutes from the Finance and Planning Meeting on the 3rd June 2025 were checked; the minutes were proposed by Cllr Childs and seconded by Cllr Turner as a true record, and agreed by all Councillors present.

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

13555 Declaration of Interests & Dispensations

- a. Dispensations**
No dispensations recorded.
- b. Declarations of Interest**
No declarations of interest recorded.

13556 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 queried whether the electric charging point planned for Butt Lane had been reconsidered to a more appropriate location by NELC. It was confirmed that there had been no response to the suggestions put forwards by the Village Council.
- Member of the public queried whether the Village Council had itself breached GDPR in the publication of telephone numbers on its website, and queried whether personal devices were being used and if the council was aware of the relevant requirements relating to this. Information was collected and will be investigated.

Public Forum closed 7.37pm.

13557 Matters Arising

- **Grimsby Road, Road Safety**
The report from the meeting had been shared with Councillors, for their response. It was acknowledged that there were actions to be taken and nothing at this time to feedback to NELC.
- **GDPR**
As discussed within the Public Forum.

13558 Police Matters

It was noted there had been 51 recorded crimes in Wolds, with 26 reported in Laceby including two domestic burglaries on Field Close and Kenmar Road, a vehicle set alight on Old Chapel Lane, theft of tools from vehicle on Cemetery Road, nine assaults, one harassment, one minor public order incident and one report of ASB. The newsletter is available on LVC website.

Cllr Johnson reiterated that all incidents / crimes should be reported and confirmed who the local neighbourhood policing team are.

Cllr Turner raised concerns about the number of e-bikes and e-scooters riding around the village on paths and roads; Clerk to share with policing team.

13559 Ward Councillors Report

No report received this month.

13560 Planning Matters

Grimsby to Walpole National Grid Consultation.

Cllr Childs raised concerns and proposed that the Council object to the national grid plans, seconded by Cllr Greenbeck. Ideas shared.

RESOLVED: Clerk to respond with Objection.

DM/0481/25/FUL – Change of use and alterations from office/beauty salon 1st floor to 1 bed studio flat; Albion House, Laceby.

No objections were identified.

RESOLVED: Clerk to advise Planning.

There were no further planning applications for consideration.

13561 Finance & Governance

To approve payment of accounts to 1st July 2025.

Wages x 2 members of staff - Month 4	£xxxx
HMRC – Tax and NI - Month 4	-£85.02
NEST Pension – Month 4	115.28
Chairs Allowance – July 2025	£20.00
Clerk Petty Cash, Telephone & Broadband	£82.68
Meeting Room Hire	£10.00
Cemetery Waste	£59.23
S278 Legal Fees	£1,485.60
Church and Allotment Hedge Cut	£440.00
Allotment Rent	£459.50

RESOLVED: All payments approved; proposed by Cllr Page, seconded by Cllr Schofield and all agreed.

Website & Emails

The Clerk explained the requirement of Parish Councils to have a gov.uk or org.uk website, and also emails. This will be a requirement of the AGAR submission.

Can only use approved companies for this; options considered with costs, and full agreement to proceed with both.

RESOLVED: Clerk to action new website and emails as agreed

Policies

- Equality & Diversity Policy - reviewed, no change.
- Disciplinary Policy & Procedure – revised in line with NALC template.
- Grievance Policy & Procedure – revised in line with NALC template.
- Training and Development Policy - reviewed

RESOLVED: Policies approved.

13562 St Francis Grove Play Area Matters

Cllr Johnson advised that one item of the exercise equipment has literally fallen to pieces. He is currently working with Wicksteed for an agreeable outcome

- **Bin**

Discussed putting the play area bin back into place, however, there was no one able to ensure it is emptied. The dog waste put in it, means that this is not something the Council can clean up.

Cllr Greenbeck requested NELC look at putting a bin on the green at St Francis Grove, as this would be accessible and that bin wagons can empty it regularly.

RESOLVED: Clerk to request bin.

13563 Church and Cemetery Matters

Cemetery Grass Cutting

The Clerk explained the kerbed graves in the old section of the Cemetery have longer grass and wildflowers on top after an issue with equipment prevented cutting. Would the Council prefer they be cut or leave them as is with longer grass. All agreed that the grass be cut when the wildflowers die back.

13564 Stanford Centre

No report received.

13565 Correspondence

- **NELC Highways Winter Service Review**

To request grit bin be placed at the Mulberries again.

- **Minor Highways Requests**

- Request for road markings at the Co-op car park to be moved / additional signage to alert vehicles that it is a path.
- Request for speed limits to be painted onto the road at the entrances to the village and on Cooper Lane.
- Double yellows outside the BMW garage to be extended – there is a car that continuously parks with its front end in the highway where the skip is. This is a road hazard for traffic on the highway.

13566 Information Exchange

- Cllr Hall confirmed the Laceby Summer Social is on the 19/7/25, tickets available for anyone wishing to attend and volunteers on Friday or Saturday would be very much welcome.
- It was noted that Mr & Mrs Horsley had offered to re-oil the three Jubilee / Charles III benches. The one at the Mulberries has been completed and returned, with Grimsby Road bench next. Huge thanks were given to Mr & Mrs Horsley as the bench looks amazing.
- Cllr Schofield raised concerns about drones flying over residential properties; both during the day and in the middle of the night. Clerk to feedback to the police, and residents should report concerns to the police.
- Cllr Barford queried whether the Clerk should have a work mobile.

The Chair closed the public meeting at 8.24pm.

Signed:

Chair

Dated: