

# Langdon Parish Council

December 2019

## CHRISTMAS GREETINGS TO EVERYONE



*BEST WISHES FOR CHRISTMAS  
AND THE NEW YEAR  
FROM  
LANGDON PARISH COUNCIL*



It's not quite Christmas yet but we wanted to remind you of some local events in Langdon leading up to end of the year and into the start of 2020.

### CAROLS ON THE GREEN

6.30pm WEDNESDAY DECEMBER 18th

We invite you to join us on East Langdon village green to sing carols, tie ribbons on the tree in memory of loved ones and to enjoy some seasonal refreshments. Ladies from Church Farm Mews have kindly offered to organise the catering and the refreshments have been jointly sponsored by the Parish Council and St Augustine's PCC.

Demelza House is the worthy cause for donations this year so please remember to bring some money!

We hope it will be a beautiful, crisp evening but should it decide to rain, the whole event will take place under cover at Church Farm Mews.



### CHRISTMAS WORKSHOP



Children are invited to make decorations for the Christmas tree on the village green at a workshop in East Langdon Parish Hall starting at 4.15pm on Tuesday 10th December. Contact Anne Logan for more details on 853522.

### HAVE YOUR SAY - 12th DECEMBER

In case you've missed the media these last few weeks, there is a General Election on Thursday 12th December. In our area there is also a local election to select a new District Councillor for our ward.

East Langdon Parish Hall is our polling station, open from 7am until 10pm.

### CHRISTMAS SERVICES

The Carol Service will be held at 4.00 pm on Sunday 22nd December at East Langdon.

Christmas Eve The service will commence at 11.30 pm at East Langdon.

Christmas Day 9.30 a.m. at West Langdon.

Sunday 29th December 4.00pm. The Four Churches Carol Service at St Peter's, Westcliffe.

BRING  
A TORCH!



## LOCAL NEWS UPDATE



This year for the first time the Remembrance Sunday Service was held at the war memorial on East Langdon Green. Over 55 people from Langdon and the local area took part to remember the names inscribed on the memorial.

Our thanks go to Anthony Hyde who led the service and to Jannine Hyde who organised the music and played "The Last Post."

### LANGDON MUSIC EVENING



**What did you miss?** A lively, foot-stomping evening of Folk and Bluegrass music by The Orange Circus Band. It was a real privilege to be entertained with delightful singing and playing by five talented musicians. To hear a sample of their country style, search for

[Gold 'n' Rum - The Orange Circus Band - YouTube](#)

## PARISH COUNCIL UPDATE

### East Langdon 20mph speed limit

In response to the parish council's request for extra 20mph speed markings, KCC Highways has offered to fund the marking of 20mph roundels on the roads into the village. This work should be completed this month.

### Village Ponds

Following discussions with KCC Highways drainage department about controlling the flooding at East Langdon Green we still await a possible solution. Heavy rain has yet again filled the pond and flooded across the road.

### Rural Crime Watch

Rural crime is on the increase, particularly the activities of property and heritage theft, wild life and poaching. In our East Kent area there is a dedicated Kent Police team with a Rural Crime Co-ordinator whose role is to track and target rural crime gangs. You can report anything suspicious to Doug Robertson on 07972 004578 or at [www.kent.police.uk/report](http://www.kent.police.uk/report). To include a location in a report or for emergency situations you may find the free mobile phone app "what3words" useful. Go to <https://what3words.com> for more information.

### Langdon Loathes Litter

In response to several residents wishing to do voluntary litter picking, the parish council has purchased several sets of equipment. To borrow the equipment please contact the parish clerk.

### Martin Mill Station Parking

The residents of Martin Mill have been greatly inconvenienced by a significant number of rail user vehicles being parked in the village rather than in the station car park. This situation has arisen as a direct result of parking charges being levied by Southeastern since January 2018. Many of you could be forgiven for thinking that no action has been taken by Langdon Parish Council. On the contrary, Langdon Parish Council has been proactive in lobbying Southeastern by correspondence and recently at a meeting with their Senior Board Members in London. While we cannot make any promises of a resolution, experience has shown that, so far, Southeastern appear to be intransigent in their decision. The matter is on the Agenda for the next LPC meeting.

**Wanted—A Christmas Tree for the Village Green**  
Do you have a tree which you would like to donate for the green? Contact Chris Shaw 07971 579096

### LANGDON PARISH COUNCILLORS

#### The Council

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Cllr Barbara Price-Stephens	Martin Mill	07818 851180
Cllr Jane Watson	Martin Mill	07930 828635

### Parish Council Meetings

East Langdon Parish Hall  
Monday December 16th - 7.30pm  
**2020**  
Monday January 20th - 7.30pm  
Monday February 17th - 7.30pm

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