

MINUTES OF LANGDON PARISH COUNCIL ORDINARY MEETING
East Langdon Parish Hall
October 21st 2019 at 7.30pm

Present: Cllr C Shaw (Chairman), Cllr A Minns, Cllr J Dyer, Cllr S Willett, Cllr J Watson, Clerk (D Willett), KCC Dover Cllr S Manion, Cllr O Richardson and 7 members of the public.

1 DECLARATION OF INTERESTS

None

2. ABSENCES and APOLOGIES

Cllr S Craft – Holiday

Cllr B Price -Stephenson - Illness

3. MINUTES

The minutes of the ordinary meeting held on 16th September 2019 were accepted as a true record and signed by the chairman.

Proposed: Cllr A Minns

Seconded: Cllr S Willett

4. MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

Solton Manor – The current owners are using the premises for hospitality events without regularising the change of use or environmental requirements which were required of the previous owners. Alcohol licensing is currently covered by Temporary Event Notices (TEN) issues up to a limit of 15 per year by DDC. Cllr O Richardson will ask DDC Planning for an update on the situation and any enforcement investigations.

East Langdon and West Langdon village greens – Cllr Shaw had a positive meeting with local resident Peter Berkeley who had regularly mowed the East Langdon Green. He will stop cutting the green during this autumn/winter period and reconsider whether or not to restart next spring. It is likely that the grass will need cutting the Remembrance Sunday Service at the parish memorial.

West Langdon village green. The parish council is seeking to register the whole area of the green with Village Green status. An application has been submitted to KCC.

East Langdon Village Pond – Following the recent heavy rainfalls, the pond is completely full and the surrounding lanes by the green have once again been flooded. Cllr Shaw has escalated the on-going flooding issues to the KCC Highways regional manager for action.

Langdon Loathes Litter Cllr C Shaw has ordered the equipment for the litter picking

Parish Councillors Pecuniary Interest Declarations Dover District Council Electoral Services have reminded parish councils to submit any undeclared DPI forms.

5. HEALTH AND SAFETY

Flooded road surfaces are hiding water-filled potholes. All road users should drive carefully.

6. REPORTS

County and District Councillors

Cllr S Manion: Reported that Roger Gough is new KCC leader. Paul Carter will assist with education services in Kent. Public consultations have been launched by KCC to review current services and budget provisions in readiness for next financial year's county planning. The new KCC leader Roger Gough is keen to engage KCC in more local events and consultations. Local

road closures continue to be scheduled as part of resurfacing works. The flooding outside the pumping station in Lucerne Lane will be notified by Cllr S Manion to KCC Highways.

Cllr O Richardson: Reported that Dover District Council leader Keith Morris has resigned from all posts forthwith. A local by-election will be announced in the near future. The provisional Local Plan is due for the first stage of public consultation in mid-January. Cllr Richardson again stated he will represent our views at all meetings that might have direct effect on our Parish

Other External Agencies

Annual Clerks Conference - Clerk D Willett attended the conference on 17th Sept at West Faversham Community Hall. The main content was based around how parish councils can become more aware and involved in the general health and wellbeing of their residents. There is a general approach that local parishes are being given more involvement in shaping the future of their communities. There was a presentation on how to communicate and inform residents using digital and social media. Kent Fire and Rescue gave presentation on the various services that they provide to the County. A final presentation featured on how to apply for various grants for community projects.

Parish Risk Reports - It was agreed that we should carry out a detailed risk assessment of the trees at West Langdon Green as owned by the parish council. A budget allocation of £200 agreed.

Community Warden Steve Nodding has been actively engaging with parish matters and will try to make regular appearances at the Tuesday Coffee Mornings in East Langdon Parish Hall.

7. CORRESPONDENCE

KCC Weekly Pothole Update
Solton Manor Wedding Venue - License Information
Local Road closures
Brexit Update
Rural Crime Report

DDC Declaration of Payment of Election Expenses by Political Parties
Outstanding DPI Forms – Rebecca Brough
Resignation of Cllr Keith Morris – By-election to be announced.

KALC Kent Resilience Forum (KRF) Parish Partner Pack
KALC Autumn Events 2019
KALC TRANSPORT CONFERENCE - 26TH OCTOBER 2019
Annual Finance Conference 2019 (12 Oct 2019)
KALC NEWS SEPTEMBER 2019

NALC Newsletter
NALC Annual Conference 2019 28th 29th October
Chief executive's bulletin
Election survey deadline extended to December

NHW Crime reports

PARISH ONLINE News & Updates

Heritage Watch Event: Protecting Our Places of Worship 6th November 2019

CPRE Request for donation re Extinction Rebellion

Norma Powell email Pumping station (Flooding)

Email from Martin Mill resident Mr C May: Requested information regarding updates on southeastern parking discussions at Martin Mill and/white lines outside his property. Cllr Manion will be reminded of the white lines request.

8. FINANCE

Approval of payments Resolution 19-10/01

Chq No.

1125	A.Hyde Parish Newsletter Printing	£ 90.00
1126	West Langdon Parish Hall meetings donation	£ 40.00

Receipts Proposed: Cllr J Watson

Seconded: Cllr A Minns

Resolution carried

Receipts

NatWest Bank Interest	£ 5.09
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Quarterly Financial Report

The quarterly financial statement was circulated and discussed. To date there is a VAT refund of £809.88. The council is well within the predicated budget and there are no large expenditure items on the near horizon. Possible expenditure may arise after tree assessment has been carried out.

9. COUNCILLOR ROLES AND RESPONSIBILITIES

An interim summary list to be published on the website.

10. PLANNING

PLANNING APPLICATIONS

Received between meetings and dealt with under LPC policy:

19/01012 Rainbows End Wheatsheafe Lane Martin CT15 5LN

Town and Country Planning Act 1990 (As Amended)

Proposal: Erection of detached annex (existing outbuilding to be demolished)

Location: Rainbows End Wheatsheafe Lane Martin CT15 5LN

Advertised on Martin noticeboard

Councillors Comments: No objection;

Occasional occupancy only (not all year); only for relatives, friends – not a commercial venture (the menage area is not for commercial activity under the earlier 2017 application). Annex not to be sold separately from main home. Loss of the existing building used for horse storage when converted to annex must not lead to fresh building being added at a later date. Request that the permission is limited to 3 years then reviewed.

Ref: DOV/19/00927 2 Guildford Cottages The Street East Langdon CT15 5JD

Town and Country Planning Act 1990 (As Amended)

Proposal: Erection of single storey side and rear extension, insertion of window to side elevation,

replacement windows and doors (existing extensions to be demolished) (amended description) (readvertisement)

Location: Guildford Cottages, The Street, East Langdon, CT15 5JD

Advertised on East Langdon noticeboard

Councillors Comments: No objection; Positive, to retain current window style throughout property.

DECISIONS BY DOVER DISTRICT COUNCIL

None received to date

NEIGHBOURHOOD PLANNING

Cllr S Willett has approached other neighbouring parish councils to consult on developing a plan. A meeting to be arranged when all local parish councils are available

11. REPORTS FROM OTHER BODIES**Lengthman's Report.**

Potholes and road edge erosion along Archers Court Road now filled. No problems reported regarding street lighting.

Recent wet weather and harvesting of the maize crop along Solton Lane has left the road in a muddy condition even though the farm contract attempted to clean the route during harvesting.. Harvesting may have continued through the night.

East Langdon Parish Hall

Nothing to report. Saturday 23rd November Orange Band appearing in the hall. Tickets now on sale. See newsletter or notice boards for details.

West Langdon Parish Hall

Nothing to report.

Langdon Playing Field

On-going maintenance - safety inspection to be carried out by Wickstead in November. The Langdon Playing Field donation box had collected £39.00 since September. A replacement central hub unit is expected under a warranty claim from the suppliers Proludic.

12. ANY OTHER BUSINESS

Remembrance Sunday Service 10th November at East Langdon Green. Residents and local organisations are welcome to lay wreaths during the service.

West Langdon Chapel at the village green – closure announced.

VE Day 2020 national events planned for 8th May 2020.

The meeting received news that former resident of Martin, Ron Wakefield, had passed away on 9th October. Ron was very community-spirited, having been a church warden at St Augustine's church, a parish councillor and a member of the parish hall committee. Our condolences go to his wife Jane Wakefield who now lives in North Wales.

13. NEXT MEETING

The next ordinary parish council meeting will be held at 7.30 pm on Monday 18th November East Langdon Parish Hall

The meeting closed at 9.30 pm

Signed.....

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