

MINUTES OF LANGDON PARISH COUNCIL ORDINARY MEETING
East Langdon Parish Hall
on Monday 21st June 2021 at 7.30 pm

Present: Cllr C Shaw (chair), Cllr J Dyer, Cllr J Watson, Cllr S Willett, D Willett (clerk), DDC Cllr M Bates, KCC Cllr S Manion, plus 2 members of the public.

1. DECLARATION OF INTERESTS

Cllr C Shaw Item 10 Finance 3 expenditure claims

2. ABSENCES and APOLOGIES

Cllr Barbara Price-Stephens - Family commitment

Cllr A Minns - Holiday

Cllr O Richardson - Covid-19 self-isolation

Cllr S Craft - work commitment

3. UPDATE OF COUNCILLORS DECLARATION OF PECUNIARY INTERESTS

Ref. DDC Monitoring Officer's correspondence – reminder to councillors to check DPI forms

4. MINUTES

The minutes of the ordinary meeting held on 17th May 2021 were accepted as a true record and signed by the chairman.

Proposed: Cllr J Watson

Seconded: Cllr J Dyer

5. MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

East Langdon Village Pond –The pond at Church Farm Mews remains silted due to KCC road rainage trap not working. The management committee of Church Farm Mews meet at which a landscape planner was invited to discuss possible pond reinstatement measures.

Broadband Services in Langdon Waiting for new Government plans for KCC reference grants.

Defibrillator at East Langdon Parish Hall Fully operational. Information to be published in the parish newsletter, website and public noticeboards. SE Ambulance service informed of locations.

Speed watch. A quote received from KCC for a bump strip traffic survey in Martin Mill.

Monitoring period has been agreed for 2nd week in September.

Revised Refuse Collections

The ongoing problems seem to have settled down.

Annual Parish Meeting (24th May) – Only 6 people attended. Possible Autumn meeting.

6. HEALTH AND SAFETY

Nothing to report

7. REPORTS

Cllr S Manion: Reported that KCC is talking to Government regarding the numbers of illegal immigrants arriving as KCC can no longer support them.

Cllr M Bates – see Appendix section.

Steve Nodding - KCC Community Warden – nothing to report

Local PCSO River Jarvis - May Report: The street Martin – Disturbance, male being aggressive towards members of the public. Anti-social Behaviour – East Langdon Road – SUS Event. Van was seen multiple times with occupants covering their faces.

Lengthman's Report – nothing to report.

East Langdon Village Hall – A woodworm infestation being treated in flooring. KCC has funding for installation of Electric Vehicle Charging Points at village hall sites.

East Langdon Playing Field - Yoga classes held on playing field making donation.

West Langdon Village Hall - Nothing to report

Local Plan Consultations - see Item 12.

8. CORRESPONDENCE

Received

KCC Weekly Pothole Update

Local Road closures

Kent and Medway Covid-19 Dataset Overview 20th May 2021

Enquiry 571959 - Barley Close, Martin Mill, Dover

DDC Letter from the Monitoring Officer in respect of Disclosable Pecuniary Interest Forms- reminder to all parish councillors to update forms if necessary

KALC KALC WEBSITE AND HOW TO SIGN UP!

Latest Kent Police Rural Task Force report & Rural Matters

CEO Bulletin - May 2021

Local Government Bulletin 28 May

NALC CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S BULLETIN

NHW Dover District Crime reports

9. FINANCE

Approval of payments Resolution 21-06/01

Chq No.

1216	D Willett Clerk salary £511.20 expenses and broadband £63.04	£574.24
1217	D Willett Clerk PAYE	£127.80
1218	C Shaw Materials for installation of defibrillator at parish hall	£32.26
1219	C Shaw Fuel for Strimming W Langdon green (Mark Meadows)	£20.00
1220	C Shaw Zoom Subscription May 17th – June 16th	£14.39
1221	T Oku Grass Cutting E Langdon	£30.00
1222	KCC EIS back up	£17.40

Proposed: Cllr J Dyer

Seconded: Cllr S Willett

Unanimously approved

Receipts

NatWest Bank Interest 31st April 2021 – 1st June 2021 £ 0.32

Quarterly Financial Statement April – June 2021 to be presented at next meeting

Internal Audit: Meeting arranged with Lionel Robbins for 10am on 28th June.2021

Resolution 21-06/02: To accept the draft Income and Expenditure Account for the financial year ended 31st March 2021.

Proposed: Cllr S Willett

Seconded: Cllr J Watson

Unanimously approved

Resolution 21-06/03: To accept the draft Balance Sheet for the financial year ended 31st March 2021.

Proposed: Cllr J Dyer

Seconded: Cllr J Watson

Unanimously approved

Resolution 21-06/04: To complete and approve the Annual Governance Statement for 2020/2021.

Proposed: Cllr J Dyer

Seconded: Cllr S Willett

Unanimously approved

Resolution 21-06/05: To approve the Accounting Statements 2020/2021 for Langdon Parish Council.

Proposed: Cllr J Dyer

Seconded: Cllr J Watson

Unanimously approved

Resolution 21-06/06: To consider and announce the “Dates of the Period for the Exercise of Public Rights Accounts for the year ended 31st March 2021”. Proposed date 1th July – 31st July.

Proposed: Cllr J Watson

Seconded: Cllr S Willett

Unanimously approved

10. PLANNING
PLANNING APPLICATIONS
DOV 21/00815

Town and Country Planning Act 1990 (As Amended)

Proposal: Erection of a workshop and side extension (existing shed to be demolished)

Location: 8 Barley Close, Martin Mill, CT15 5LD

Langdon Parish Council has the following observations on this application.

No objections.

DOV21/00703

Town and Country Planning Act 1990 (As Amended)

Proposal: Garage conversion to habitable accommodation, insertion of 2no. windows, widening of existing driveway.

Location: Longwaite, Station Road, Martin Mill, CT15 5JX

Langdon Parish Council has the following observations on this application.

No objections:

DECISIONS BY DOVER DISTRICT COUNCIL

None received to date

11. NEIGHBOURHOOD PLANNING

Cllr S Willett in contact with consultants

12. DDC DRAFT DISTRICT LOCAL PLAN

In progress. Projected response time September.

13. REPORTS FROM OTHER BODIES

14. ANY OTHER BUSINESS

Community Celebration – End of Lockdown service and social activity on village green possibly in September.

Langdon Newsletter - for July publication.

15. NEXT MEETING

The next Parish Council meeting will be on **Monday 19th July 2021 at 7.30pm** East Langdon Parish Hall. The public are welcome to attend

There being no other business the meeting closed at 9.25 pm

Signed..... Date.....

Appendix

Report from Cllr Martin Bates

1. VACCINATION UPDATE

The vaccine is currently being given to people who:

- Are aged 25 or over or will turn 25 before 1 July 2021

2. SPEEDWATCH

Teams are continuing to work as normal following the relaxation of lockdown restrictions. What is apparent is that there does seem to be an increase in the number of motorists who are failing to comply with the 30mph speed limit when compared to the pre COVID data. I believe that Kent police are aware of this and there are plans to have PCSOs attend Speed watch sessions so that offenders can be recorded and prosecuted. We hope to receive further information in this regard soon.

3. ANTI SOCIAL BEHAVIOUR MAP

I recently attended a briefing on an Anti-Social Behaviour Map designed by the Community Support Unit record incidents of anti-social behaviour within specific wards and which can be used to identify hotspots within a particular area. To comply with data protection regulations this has been restricted to details of the incident and the locality. At present the system only records complaints received by the DDC CSU but it is intended eventually to receive data from other agencies. Access to the system is presently restricted to officers within the DDC and Council members although it may be extended to parish councillors eventually. We are however permitted to provide details of the offences to you. I am still trying to familiarise myself with it but can say that within this locality DDC have received two complaints so far this year. One for loud banging and the other for ongoing and abusive behaviour. Both occurred in the area around Reach Close.

4. PROPOSED AIRFIELD IN LITTLE MONGEHAM

Since our last meeting the application has been formally submitted, received validation by the Planning Department on 8th May and is now under consideration. A recent reference to the planning portal indicated that there have been over 1450 comments received to date. The ratio of those in support and against was roughly 50/50.

On 28th April we received a complaint from a resident that construction had already commenced which I referred to the Head of Planning. She has replied to confirm that an investigation in relation to this has already been initiated.

Consideration of this proposal is therefore ongoing and, given the extent of public involvement on both sides of the argument, it will inevitably come to the Planning Committee. Many organisations and public authorities are against the proposals. We attended the parish meeting at Great Mongeham on 7th June, and they voted to submit an objection to the proposal. I also attended the meeting at Ripple on Thursday 10th June when they similarly voted to send in a letter of objection. Ringwould and Kingsdown have followed, after their meeting last Monday. As both Ollie and I are on that committee we are constrained from making any comments with respect to the pros and cons of the application as we must not be seen to pre-empt the decision. What we can advise anyone to do who wishes to make their feelings known is to submit their concerns in writing to the Planning Department either online or by post.

5. KCC ELECTION RESULTS

Top news is that Steve Manion was re-elected to represent your division and Oliver Richardson is now KCC member for Dover Town.

6. LOCAL ISSUES

1). Dog Fouling

I received no response to my chaser of 14th May and have forwarded another on 17th June.

2). Streetlamp in Waterworks Lane

Two streetlamps in Waterworks Lane have been prioritised for repair. We are still awaiting a date as to when this we will happen. DDC are currently pushing them as hard as they can to get them replaced by the summer. A recent meeting with Martin Leggatt indicated that they are hoping to have all 270

junction boxes upgraded by October this year and the backlog of outstanding works to be completed at the same time. He is submitting a report to Cabinet for approval this month and it will now be reviewed by the Overview and Scrutiny Committee the same month. I have asked Keith Watson whether we will be able to receive a copy of the works schedule so we can confirm that the repairs in Waterworks Lane are on the schedule.