

**MINUTES OF LANGDON PARISH COUNCIL ORDINARY MEETING**  
**East Langdon Parish Hall**  
**on Monday 13th December 2021 at 7.30 pm**

**Present:** Cllr C Shaw (chair), Cllr A Minns, Cllr J Watson, Cllr J Dyer, Cllr S Craft, D Willett (clerk), DDC Cllr M Bates, DDC Cllr O Richardson (joined later for Christmas celebration) plus 2 Members of the Public.

**1. DECLARATION OF INTERESTS**

Cllr C Shaw Item 8, Finance: expenditure claims  
 Cllr A Minns Item 8, Finance: expenditure claims

**2. ABSENCES and APOLOGIES**

Cllr B Price-Stephens – carer duties  
 Cllr S Willett – working  
 Steve Nodding - KCC Community Warden  
 River Jarvis – PCSO

**3. MINUTES**

The minutes of the ordinary meeting held on 15th November 2021 were accepted as a true record and signed by the chairman.

**Proposed:** Cllr A Minns

**Seconded:** Cllr J Watson

**4. MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES**

**East Langdon Village Pond** No progress

**Broadband Services in Langdon** No progress

**Speedwatch** See report under item 5 Health and Safety

**Westside/School Lane unadopted section** No further progress. Cllr A Minns expressed view that KCC response is pathetic.

**Queens Green Canopy** Waiting reply from authority.

**Southern Water Ion Treatment Works, Martin Gorse Woods – HGV issues Ref DOV/21/00993** Update emailed to Councillors. On going problem

**5. PUBLIC SESSION**

Agreed in principle. Advance notice maybe required to speak.

**6. HEALTH AND SAFETY**

Tree that fell in the lane was cleared quickly.

**Neighbourhood Watch** - Cllr A Minns reported volunteer still available. Waiting for response from Police

**7. REPORTS**

**DDC Cllr M Bates:** see Appendix section for full report

**Cllr A Minns** Reported Fly-tying incident opposite Enfor Down Farm entrance.

**8. CORRESPONDENCE**

**KCC** Stakeholder Update - National Bus Strategy

**DDC** Development Management - Team re-organization 1st December

**KALC** Local Government Bulletins

CEO Bulletin - November 2021

Flyer Climate Change Conference  
 Ransomware Attack  
 KCC Public Health Media release - level 2 cold weather alert  
**James Boot** Langdon Neighbourhood Plan Costed Project Plan

## 9. FINANCE

### **Approval of payments Resolution 21-12/01**

#### **Chq No.**

<b>1250</b>	Commercial Services- Playing Field grass cutting	£ 1,313.09
<b>1251</b>	D Willett Clerk salary £511.20 broadband and expenses £70.96	£ 582.16
<b>1252</b>	D Willett Clerk PAYE	£ 127.80
<b>1253</b>	Microsoft Monthly Subscription charge – PC emails payee CB Shaw	£ 9.12
<b>1254</b>	Post Office Support annual contribution East Langdon Parish Hall	£ 260.00
<b>1255</b>	Langdon Playing Field Association Insurance annual grant	£1700.00
<b>1256</b>	Parish Hall hire for Parish meetings Six sessions and heating @ £20	£ 120.00
<b>1257</b>	B&Q – Replacement rope for Flag pole – payee A Minns	£ 5.02
<b>1258</b>	Amazon.co.uk SSD drive for Council Laptop- payee CB Shaw	£ 80.64

**Proposed:** Cllr S Craft

**Seconded:** Cllr J Watson

**Resolution approved**

#### **Receipts**

NatWest Bank Interest 2<sup>nd</sup> November 2021 – 1<sup>st</sup> December 2021 £ 0.33

### **To receive the Quarterly Financial Statement October – December 2021**

Accepted

### **Presentation of Draft Budget - Financial Year 2022 -2023**

Accepted unanimously

**Proposed:** Cllr J Watson

**Seconded:** Cllr J Dyer

### **Proposal 21-12/02 To purchase a new six-sided tree seat for East Langdon Green**

From The Village Forge, Tenterden. Cost £2318.00 including delivery and VAT.

Deposit of 30% (£695.40) required to proceed, balance on completion.

**Proposed:** Cllr J Dyer

**Seconded:** Cllr A Minns

**Proposal 21-12/03 To issue a purchase order for the tree seat as per proposal 21-12/02 with a deposit payment of £695.40 payable to The Village Forge, Tenterden.**

**Proposed:** Cllr C Shaw

**Seconded:** Cllr A Minns

## 10. PLANNING

### **PLANNING APPLICATION**

None received to date

## **DECISIONS BY DOVER DISTRICT COUNCIL**

None received to date

**11. NEIGHBOURHOOD PLANNING**

Quote received From James Boot.

**12. DDC DRAFT DISTRICT LOCAL PLAN**

Next stage announcement and Regulation 19 revised plans to be received

**13. DATA PROTECTION REPORT**

Nothing to report.

**14. REPORTS FROM OTHER BODIES**

**Langdon Playing Field** – Lengthsman,s report the winter weather is making carpark very uneven.

**West Langdon Village Hall**– Nothing to report

**East Langdon Parish Hall** – The felling of large beech trees has now been completed and timber cleared. Next project to clear and replace field fence.

**15. ANY OTHER BUSINESS**

**Jubilee Celebrations** to be organised

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**16. NEXT MEETING**

The next Parish Council meeting will be on **Monday 17th January 2022 at 7.30pm** in East Langdon Parish Hall. The public are welcome to attend.

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**There being no other business the meeting closed at 9.05 pm**

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

## Appendix

### Monthly Report from DDC Cllr M Bates

### MEETING REPORT FOR EAST LANGDON PARISH COUNCIL ON 13<sup>TH</sup> DECEMBER 2021

#### 1). LOCAL PLAN

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Dover District Council is working to finalise the final draft of the Local Plan, which sets out the vision and framework for development in the district to 2040.

It is intended that a consultation on this will commence in March in the new year. For the latest information, please see the [Local Plan](#) website.

#### 2). Ground Breaking Investments for the New Year

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A range of key initiatives is coming together for the future of the district - including multi million pound projects to provide a major boost to Dover Town Centre for 2022.

A [£3.6m programme of improvements to Dover's Market Square](#) is now underway. Key partners gathered recently for a [ground-breaking ceremony](#) to mark the start of works.

DDC has also approved plans for up to [300 new homes](#) on the main site of the former Connaught Barracks in Dover. [Dover Fastrack](#), a new Homes England funded dedicated rapid transit bus route will also connect the development with Dover Town Centre and Dover Priory railway station.

Construction on a section of the new road from the Whitfield Urban Development to Dover Rd will commence in Spring 2022.

#### 3). Getting Ready for Christmas

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Christmas is coming to [White Cliffs Country](#) - and there's a range of information on seasonal [events](#) across the district which can be found on the DDC website.

There's [free parking](#) in DDC-owned off-street car parks from 23-28 December 2021 and 1-3 January 2022.

We're also piloting a new [free evening bus service](#) to help keep local women safe as they enjoy fun and festive evenings out in the run up to Christmas. Details can be found in the Press Release section of the DDC website.

We've confirmed our [seasonal waste collections](#), with no changes to normal household waste and recycling days. Please see the DDC [website](#) for latest news on council services over Christmas/New Year.

#### **4). New HQ for Dover Port Health Authority**

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The Dover Port Health Authority, part of Dover District Council, is to move into a new state-of-the art inspection facility from Spring 2022 ahead of the introduction of increased border checks from 1 July 22.

Bastion Point in Whitfield provides 75,751 sq. ft. of secure inspection facilities along with 8,625 sq. ft. of office space.

The Government is investing to remodel the former warehouse. Around 250 new staff will be employed by DDC and based at the facility which will operate 24 hours a day, seven days a week.

To find out more about job opportunities with the DPHA, and to apply online, please visit our job vacancies pages.

Dover Port Health Authority

#### **5). Major Boost for Sea Defences**

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Key works costing at least £125,000 to help boost sea defences and continue to protect the area for the future, have been given the go ahead for St Margaret's Bay.

DDC is to use funding from the Environment Agency on refurbishments to the sea defences at the popular local beauty spot in the district. The work will focus on repairing the 12 timber groynes at the location.

St Margaret's Bay consists of 550m of enclosed shingle beach at the foot of the chalk white cliffs. The area is part of the amazing Kent's Heritage Coast. Works are expected to start early in the new year.

Major boost for sea defences

#### **LOCAL ISSUES**

##### **1). West Side unadopted road.**

Still ongoing. I have written to my colleague in KCC to see whether he can try and push this forward. Might be an idea to request a meeting with the headteacher of the primary school and see whether we can ask for her support particularly in relation to clearing the public footpath to the school.

##### **2). Southern Water and Waterworks Lane**

Tony wrote on 4<sup>th</sup> November complaining that Southern Water were not in compliance with the traffic management plan. Ollie has requested that enforcement investigate and received the following response today:

The developer has been reminded of the route that the construction traffic should be taking to and from the site, I have been assured that they are doing all they can to ensure the agreed route is being taken to and from the site (HGVs). The Planning Enforcement Team do not have the power to stop traffic from using the highway, land which is owned by a third party (KCC).

I will speak to the developer again in the hope that this matter is resolved. If not our only option is to consider a breach of condition notice which does not physically prevent the traffic from using the highways, if the notice is not complied with then we can consider prosecution, by which time the development would be complete.

Since then we have received further complaints and I have suggested to Ollie that he ask the enforcement officer to contact Tony direct.