

Langdon Parish Council

October 2022

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Looking back at summer 2022 we recall when Langdon joined with the nation to mark two historic events. Below is a selection of photographs which show how our local communities celebrated the Queen's Platinum Jubilee in June and later in September, the mourning following the death of Queen Elizabeth II.



Jubilee Garden Party at Marston Hall, Martin, 3rd June

Langdon's Big Lunch was held on Sunday 5th June, residents from all 4 hamlets being invited. Starting with a thanksgiving service on East Langdon green, the celebrations moved to the parish hall for the "Big Lunch".

The fun events included a magician show, fancy dress competitions, disco, games stalls. The finale was a tug-o'-war challenge at the playing field.

To mark the Platinum Jubilee occasion all Langdon children under 16 were invited to receive a souvenir jubilee mug.



Langdon Big Picnic, East Langdon Hall, 5th June

LANGDON NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN SURVEY OCTOBER 2022

Have your say!

Langdon Parish Council is conducting a survey of the local communities in all four villages to inform our Neighbourhood Plan for the period 2023-2040. This is your chance to tell us how you want your community and surroundings to evolve over the coming years.

Every household in Langdon has received the questionnaire with this newsletter and an electronic copy is online at www.langdonpc.org.uk/ndp.

Residents are asked to complete the questionnaire either online or using the paper copy so that parish views can be recorded. The parish council will use the results to produce a neighbourhood plan, setting out the key issues, policies and projects.

If you have any questions about the survey please contact Chris Shaw (07971 579096) or Dave Willett (077322 86512.) **Please complete your questionnaire by 31st October.** Paper versions can be passed to the parish clerk or any parish councillor listed at the end of this newsletter. Alternatively post it in the letter box at East Langdon Parish Hall.

PARISH COUNCIL NEWS

Updated Local Plan Published by DDC

The next consultation stage of the Dover District Local Plan, (known as Regulation 19 pre-submission), is now online and goes before the full Council for approval on 12th October. This updated plan, which includes responses from the first public consultation, will then go for a final public consultation period of 7 weeks in mid-October. The pre-submission plan will then be updated once more with any further public comments before being submitted to the First Secretary of State for examination.

For Langdon, only the original site (LAN003) between Westside and the Playing Field for 40 dwellings is in the plan. Some new public comments from local residents have been added. An extract of the LAN003 entry is on the "Popular Links" at www.langdonpc.org.uk/ or on display at the parish hall. You can find more information by searching the DDC website for "[New Dover District Local Plan](#)".

Parish Council Grants for local organisations

A reminder that the parish council has a modest annual budget allocation to assist with community projects. Please contact the parish clerk for more details.

Footpath ER44 - removal of hedge (ENF/21/00396) Martin

A new report has been sent to the DDC Enforcement Team by the parish council following the destruction of the remaining replacement hedge saplings during the recent harvest season. The DDC case officer has decided to issue a fresh Hedgerow Replacement Notice for this coming planting season. It was back in March 2017 that the removal of the hedgerow was first reported.

Footpath ER48 –Martin Mill to Solton Lane via Green Lane

This footpath had become overgrown along the hedge boundary at the bottom of Green Lane and walkers had created a temporary path in the adjacent field. After reporting the problem to KCC, a site meeting was arranged with the local Footpath Officer. A works order has been issued by KCC to reinstate the original route.

Online and Doorstep Scams on the increase.

Anti-fraud and scams advice is available at www.kent.police.uk/fraud or www.kent.gov.uk/scams.

Annual Parish Council Financial Audit Year 2021-2022

Last year's accounts have been approved and signed off by the appointed auditor. Copies of the documents are published on the parish council's website.

Yellow Wheelie Salt Bin at Martin

The portable salt bin will remain in place for the coming winter period. Additional salt-grit is available at the hall car park.

Community Warden

We are pleased to welcome back Kerry Skirrow who was our local PCSO several years ago. Her mobile is 07977 982184.

Langdon Accidents

In recent months, it has been noted that there have been more reported road traffic collisions within our parish. The most recent was a collision on Lucerne Lane between a car and an agricultural vehicle. Fortunately, there were no reported injuries although damage did occur. Lucerne Lane was blocked for some 2 hours.

While it is appreciated that some traffic through Langdon is in transit, it is nevertheless a timely opportunity to advise local residents of the need to take particular care in the lanes of Langdon. Observations include an apparent lack of appreciation of the restricted widths and visibility afforded by the narrow lanes, cutting of corners at junctions often at excessive speed without regard to oncoming traffic and, despite the widespread publicity, the use of mobile phones by road users, including drivers, cyclists and horse riders.

Take care and be safe!

LANGDON JOINS IN NATIONAL MOURNING FOR QUEEN ELIZABETH II



Montage and Messages of Condolence from
Langdon Primary School pupils



Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II
21 April 1926 to 8 September 2022

Message from the Chairman of Langdon Parish Council
The death of Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II is an extremely sad moment for our parish and the wider communities across the UK. Her life as our monarch was one of dedication and service. On behalf of the parish of Langdon, I wish to convey our deepest condolences to The King and the Royal Family at this sad time.
Chris Shaw, 8th September 2022



Memorial Tree-Planting at Martin

CHURCH NEWS AND OTHER EVENTS

Church services at St Augustine's, East Langdon:

Sunday 2nd	October	9.30 am	Harvest Festival
Sunday 9th	October	9.30 am	Communion BCP
Sunday 23rd	October	9.30 am	Communion CW
Sunday 6th	November	9.30 am	Family Service
Sunday 13th	November	10.45 am	Remembrance Day
Sunday 27th	November	9.30 am	Communion CW

Church services at St Mary's, West Langdon:

Sunday 16th	October	9.30 am	Harvest Festival
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**EAST LANGDON
VILLAGE GREEN
WAR MEMORIAL**

SERVICE OF REMEMBRANCE

SUNDAY
NOVEMBER
13TH
10.45AM

ALL WELCOME

LAYING OF WREATHS
LAST POST
TWO MINUTE SILENCE

WE SHALL REMEMBER THEM





Generous gifts of food were brought to St Augustine's Harvest Festival service on 2nd October, including a selection of autumn fruit picked from the allotment community orchard. The food was donated to the Dover Food Bank for distribution. Our thanks to all who contributed.

CAROLS ON THE GREEN



You are invited to join our Christmas Evening of Carols and Seasonal Refreshments on East Langdon Green during the week beginning 19th December.

The exact time and date will be announced in November.

LANGDON PLAYING FIELD

Langdon is very fortunate to have a well-equipped recreation area and open space which is the envy of many other parishes. The 4 acre site was purchased in 1979 and registered as a charity to provide leisure, sports and play facilities for the parish and surrounding communities. A volunteer committee manages the daily management of the site including maintenance and safety inspections.

Recognising the importance of the playing field as a factor in community well-being, Langdon Parish Council has always supported the playing field by funding the basic running costs of insurance, grass cutting and safety inspection each year.

However, on-going repair and maintenance costs have to be found by fund-raising and donations which is always a concern for the charity volunteers who look after the facilities. Recently a working party renewed the car park boundary fence at a cost of £1300, £700 of which was funded by a DDC Community grant.

The next project is to reinstate the Zip Wire by building a new access ramp. We were pleased to have the additional help and expertise from local residents to get the car park fencing built so quickly and would welcome more help in the future. Please contact Chris Shaw on 07971 579096 for more details. Thank you!

"LANGDON LOATHES LITTER"

Noticeably in the verges, lanes and the playing field, once again there seems to be an increase in discarded drinks cans and fast-food packaging. The parish council would like to thank the local residents who regularly pick up litter in their locality, either when out walking or during a community litter-pick as done at Martin. There is a stock of litter-pickers held at the parish hall which may be borrowed for use around Langdon.

FOR YOUR INFORMATION

EAST LANGDON PARISH HALL



Looking for a venue to hold a children's party?
East Langdon Parish Hall is available for hire at reasonable rates and with good parking.
Contact Chris Shaw on 07971 579096 or eastlangdonparishhall@gmail.com for hire details.

Activities at the Parish Hall

Dog Training Classes

Contact Denise Coyle
07582 508843

Coffee Morning Club

Tuesdays 10 until 11.30am

LANGDON COUNTRYSIDE GROUP

The hedge saplings which were received in April from the Queen's Green Canopy project are growing well at the playing field and hall car park. However we were saddened to find that the tree saplings planted around the upper playing field were deliberately uprooted. Pippa Foulds, project leader, has potted them off-site until they grow stronger. If this "Langdon Countryside" project interests you then please email Pippa Foulds - p.foulds@mail.com or Chris Shaw - shawc01@hotmail.com.

Christmas Wreath-Making Workshop

2022

By popular demand this workshop returns
on Saturday 3rd December
2.30pm—5.00pm.

Booking is essential!

Look out for more details nearer the time
or

Call Elaine on 07429 360094

LOCAL CONTACTS AND SERVICES

PUBLIC DEFIBRILLATORS

Martin Mill: The Reception Office, Hawthorn Farm Holiday Park, Station Road, **CT15 5LA.**
[what3words ///headings.spearhead.trickle](http://what3words.com/headings.spearhead.trickle)

East Langdon: East Langdon Parish Hall, The Street, **CT15 5JF.**
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IMPORTANT: In the event of an emergency **FIRST DIAL 999** and ask for an ambulance.

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To contribute an article or help deliver, please email the editor Chris Shaw on shawc01@hotmail.com.

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Post Office: Tuesday and Thursday 9.00-12.00
East Langdon Parish Hall.

Coffee morning: Tuesdays 10 - 11.30am in the parish hall

Milk delivery: Dairy Crest 0845 606 3606

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Langdon Primary School: 01304 852600

Dover Health Centre: 01304 865500

Parish Council Meetings

Usually every 3rd Monday of the month

October 17th - 7.30pm

November 21st - 7.30pm

December 12th - 7.30pm

January 16th 2023- 7.30pm

in East Langdon Parish Hall

Please check public noticeboards or
www.langdonpc.org.uk for details.

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