

MINUTES OF LANGDON PARISH COUNCIL ORDINARY MEETING
East Langdon Parish Hall
on Monday 21st November 2022 at 7.30 pm

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

1. DECLARATION OF INTERESTS

Cllr C Shaw (Item 8), Microsoft monthly email fee

2. ABSENCES and APOLOGIES

Cllr J Watson – unwell

Cllr B Price-Stephens - carer duties

Cllr S Craft - Work

Cllr S Willett - unwell

3. MINUTES

The minutes of the ordinary meeting held on 17th October 2022 were accepted as a true record and signed by the chairman. **Resolution 22-11/01**

Proposed: Cllr J Dyer

Seconded: Cllr C Shaw

4. MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

Martin Mill Parking

No progress. Cllr A Minns to write to southeastern rail again.

Waste Burning on land behind Del Ranch/Garden House, East Langdon

Nothing reported. Any incidents should be reported to envcrime@dover.gov.uk..

“The Lantern” Music events. No further reports of loud music received.

Land at The Street, East Langdon (LAN003) awaiting response from Gladmans.

Parish council discussion meeting on 28th November raised useful comments on Langdon’s allocation site proposal. A formal response to DDC Regulation 19 consultation will be made by Friday 9th December.

Vegetation overhanging footpath

Clerk spoke to the householder but did not received positive action which is required.

5. HEALTH AND SAFETY

Street lighting **See Appendix**

Pavement Safety – leaves and mud in gutters making pavement edge difficult to see.

6. REPORTS

KCC Cllr S Manion: Public Health continuation of roll out of Covid and Flu Jabs.

Bus Services and running costs: The driver salary is a major cost on less busy rural routes but reducing these services will force residents to travel by car for work and shopping.

Financial Budget implications due to inflation and expected additional Social Care costs.

TfL London-wide Ultra Low Emission Zone expansion Transport for London (TfL) are consulting on proposals to expand the Ultra Low Emission Zone (ULEZ) London-wide on **29 August 2023**. The zone is proposed to be extended up to or close to the boundary of Kent.

DDC Cllr M Bates:

See Appendix section for the full report.

Cllr A Minns

KALC report to follow

7. CORRESPONDENCE

- KCC** Latest Scam Alerts
ALERT! Cold Callers Active in Kent
Media release: Leader announces boost to multi-million-pound cost of living support package this winter
[Media release] Council boosts Community Transport Grant to support sustainable travel around county
- DDC** Note from the Monitoring Officer - Notification of Disclosable Pecuniary Interests
Appointment of a New Dover District Council Deputy Monitoring Officer
CONSULTATION ON DOVER DISTRICT LOCAL PLAN REVIEW
REGULATION 19 SUBMISSION (The Local Plan)
Dover District Council- Planning Committee 22/00668
- KALC** KALC Events
Kent Dementia Action Alliance events
UTILITY AID
FINAL REMINDER - Notice & papers for the KALC AGM 19th November 2022 (Sponsored by CCLA)
Recruiting and Retaining a Diverse Pool of Local Councillors - A Breakthrough Communications Event
KALC TRAINING - BURIAL GROUNDS LAW AND MANAGEMENT - A WORKSHOP
Kent Minerals and Waste Local Plan Regulation 18 Public Consultation
KALC News October
KALC - DEFIBRILLATORS AND ACCESSORIES
Notice & papers for the KALC AGM 19th November 2022 (Sponsored by CCLA)
- NALC -** NALC - NEW PUBLICATION Council Elections
Newsletter
Events
Chief executives bulletin
Local councils and community outreach
Parish Online Newsletter - November
Kerry Skirrow KCC Community officer Reporting Methods
Flood Warden Free Training session
Kent Fire and Rescue Service - Free Fire Safety Talks
The Pension Regulator Re-enrolment and re-declaration letter by 26/07/23

8. FINANCE

Resolution 22-11/02: Approval of payments

Chq No.

1327	Trevor Oku East Langdon Grass Cutting	£ 30.00
1328	St Mary's Church W Langdon Grass cutting support	£ 250.00
1329	Commercial Services Playing Field grass cutting maintenance	£ 819.36
1330	Microsoft monthly email service. Payee CB Shaw	£ 10.80
1331	St Augustine's Church E Langdon Grass Cutting support	£ 200.00
1332	T Oku East Langdon Grass Cutting	£ 30.00

Proposed Cllr J Dyer; **Seconded:** Cllr A Minns
Resolution carried

NatWest Bank Interest 1st Oct 2022 – 1st November 2022

£ 12.82

Parish Clerk Working Hours Monitoring: 3 months log as agreed meeting June 2022. To be reviewed April 2023.

Parish Clerk 2022-2023 National Salary Award Pay Scales: The Clerk's hourly rate should be increased from £10.84 to £11.84, backdated from 1st April 2022 as per national agreement.

Proposal: 22-11/03 – To invite applications from parish organizations for a grant up to £250 for projects benefiting the parish. Applications to be received by the Clerk no later than 6pm Monday 6th February 2023. **Proposal Agreed**

Preparations for Budget Setting and Precept - Financial Year 2023 -2024

The annual budget and precept for financial year 2023 – 24 needs to be prepared and agreed in January in readiness for the precept demand instruction to DDC in early February 2023. The parish council should consider if any additional expenditure such as the royal coronation celebrations on 6th May or parish support projects might occur in 2023 – 2024. A draft budget will be presented at the December meeting.

9. **WEST LANGDON GREEN** –Documentation sent to Kate Jackson, Surrey Hills Solicitors. The United Reform Chapel at West Langdon will be sold by auction on 14th December by Clive Emson auctioneers. The site only has pedestrian access across the green from the road.

10. **PLANNING**

PLANNING APPLICATIONS

DOV 22/013101

Town and Country Planning Act 1990 (As Amended)

Proposal: Internal upgrades inserting new fire doors and partitions including upgrading existing door openings

Location: Solton Manor, Solton Lane, East Langdon, CT15 5JB

Comment: No Objection; the fire precaution upgrades are much welcomed.

DECISIONS BY DOVER DISTRICT COUNCIL

DOV 22/00668

Proposal: The erection of a solar farm with battery storage and associated infrastructure for a period of 40 years.

Location: Land North of Guston and The Lane Guston Court Farm Guston CT15 5EX

Decision: Granted

DOV 22/01141

Proposal: Erection of a two-storey front extension (existing porch demolished)

Location: Fairfields, Wheatsheafe Lane Martin CT15 5LN

Decision: Granted

Planning Enforcement Complaint ENF/22/00161

Location: Land West of Deal Road and North Of, Solton Lane, East Langdon, Kent,

Comment: waiting report from DDC

Planning Enforcement Complaint ENF/21/00396

Location: Rainbows End, Langdon Parish

Subject: Removal of hedgerow along Footpath ER44 **ref: ENF/LAN/17/00060**

Comment: waiting report from DDC

11. NEIGHBOURHOOD DEVELOPMENT PLAN

Printed Survey distributed to all parish households with Newsletter. Responses now being received as hard copy or on-line. Information now being collated and analysed.

12. DDC DRAFT LOCAL PLAN –

DDC Regulation 19 consultation now open until 9th December. A consultation session will be held in the parish hall 28th November, residents who included their email addresses in the surveys being contacted. Comments will be used to inform the parish council's response.

13. REPORTS FROM OTHER BODIES

East Langdon Parish Hall Nothing to report.

West Langdon Village Hall – Nothing to report.

Langdon Playing Field – Nothing to report.

Lengthsman's Report – Street lamps reported to DDC. watching brief on drains due to heavy rain and falling leaves on paths and lanes.

14. DATA PROTECTION REPORT

Nothing to report

15. ANY OTHER BUSINESS

Public Service of Remembrance – Sunday 13th November 10.45am East Langdon Green was well-attended by 40 local residents.

Carols on the Green evening Christmas event will be at 6.30pm on Wednesday 21st December. Everyone is welcome to attend.

16. NEXT MEETING

The next parish council meeting will be held at **7.30pm on Monday December 12th 2022 in East Langdon Parish Hall.**

There being no other business the meeting closed at 10.00 pm

Signed: Chris Shaw

Date...12th December 2022

Appendix

Monthly Report from DDC Cllr M Bates

MEETING REPORT FOR LANGDONS PARISH COUNCIL ON MONDAY 21.11.22

DOVER DISTRICT LOCAL PLAN REVIEW REGULATION 19 SUBMISSION

The Dover District Council Regulation 19 Submission version of its Local Plan is now open for consultation.

This consultation opened on 21st October 2022 and any comments need to be received **no later than 5pm on the 9th December 2022**. You can view and comment on the Regulation 19 Submission document by clicking on the link below

<https://dover-consult.objective.co.uk/kse/event/37116>

Please ensure you read the [Guidance Note on Legal compliance, soundness and the Duty to Co-Operate](#) prior to making an comment.

DDC are also consulting on the following supporting / evidence base documents:

[The Sustainability Appraisal of the Reg 19 Local Plan](#)

[Habitats Regulation Assessment of the Reg 19 Local Plan](#)

[Infrastructure Delivery Plan \(IDP\) 2022](#)

Full details of how to make representations can be found in the [Statement of Representation Procedure](#). If you have any questions or have any issues accessing the Regulation 19 Submission version of the Local Plan online, or have any questions, please telephone the Local Plan team on **01304 872244** – **between the hours of 14:00-16:00 Monday, Wednesday and Friday** for assistance or email localplan@dover.gov.uk. If you require assistance with an accessible format of the Local Plan (such as large print or audio format), please contact the Planning Policy Team using the above number.

DDC AWARD FOR BUSINESS SUPPORT

Dover District Council (DDC) has been recognised for its work to support small businesses, taking the award for ‘Best Programme of Business Support in the Southeast’ at the inaugural Federation of Small Businesses (FSB) Local Government Awards. It took part in a pilot project which saw it retain 100% of Business Rates and used the income to introduce a business grant scheme to support small businesses. The Council introduced two town centre grants for empty properties and shop front renovations to support ongoing efforts to support town centres, and a green energy grant for businesses located anywhere in the district. The scheme offered businesses with less than 50 employees 50% of costs up to £10,000. To date, DDC has awarded 66 grants, helping to bring 22 empty properties back into use, renovating 31 shop fronts, and helping 13 small business introduce more sustainable and carbon-free measures.

RURAL ENGLAND PROSPERITY FUND: DDC has received a grant of £400k. This is meant for the rural communities and is aimed at Business Development; Farm Business Diversification &

Community Infrastructure Tourism & Infrastructure team will be contacting Parish Councils imminently.

FREE STREET DANCE SESSIONS IN DOVER AND DEAL

Girls aged eight and over in the district have been enjoying free street dance sessions organised by DDC. The project is funded by the charity, StreetGames, which aims to change lives and transform communities through the power of sport. The lessons have proved to be really successful in Dover and are now also taking place in Deal. With teaching that includes learning various street dance moves and exercises that will strengthen joints and improve their flexibility, the participants are learning a street dance routine as part of a group too.

Dover sessions (until 29 November)

Tuesday evenings, 4pm-5pm, at Green Park Primary School

Wednesday evenings, 6pm-7pm, at St Radigunds Community Centre

Deal sessions (until 4 January)

Wednesday evenings, 4.30pm-5.30pm, at Golf Road Centre, Deal

Thursday evenings, 4pm-5pm, at St Richards Church Centre, Deal

Supporting Communities - DDC Gives More Than £230k in Community Grants

Community groups in the district have been given a winter boost of over £110k in the latest round of Dover District Council's Community Grants scheme – meaning the scheme has allocated more than £230k to over 130 groups in the area this year. This week, the Appraisal Panel allocated over £110k to 66 groups in the winter round of the popular grant's initiative. Earlier this year, DDC announced payments of over £120k to 70 groups in the summer round.

LOCAL ISSUES

1. West Side

I have received complaints from Mrs Chambers – Hall about the mess left by the felling of the trees. DDC are refusing to remove the mess because the trees were not on DDC land. However, they have stated that they intend to write to the headteacher of the school and KCC as they believe that it is on their land. I have sent a chaser to Asset Management to confirm that whether they have done so yet.

2. Faulty Street Lights in West Langdon

Following on from my report to you last month Keith Watson has visited the site and on 17th October sent me the following email:

“Our lighting engineer inspected this last week and indeed these held dangerous DNO supplies. So, in anticipation I requested the engineer to erect some spare new bracket/box and LED lanterns above or below the existing light. In the meantime, I will speak with UKPN and request a new service into the new lanterns. But like I say these won't provide much benefit given they're not within a system of lighting and isolated – will the PC consult with the properties immediately affected? I only say as these have been out for a very long time and the local residents haven't reported these and can often get upset as they sometimes express, they don't want or need a streetlight deep in the rural villages. It would be worthwhile to explore this with the immediate residents before we go to the expense with UKPN. Let me know what comes out of the meeting.”