

MINUTES OF LANGDON PARISH COUNCIL ORDINARY MEETING
East Langdon Parish Hall
on Monday 20th March 2023

Present: Cllr C Shaw (chair), Cllr A Minns, Cllr J Watson,
 Cllr S Craft, D Willett (clerk), KCC Cllr S Manion, DDC Cllr M Bates, DDC Cllr O Richardson
 No members of the public.

1. DECLARATION OF INTERESTS

Cllr C Shaw (Item 9), Microsoft monthly email fee,
 Cllr S Craft (item 9) West Langdon Hall Grant application
 Cllr A Minns (item 9) Grant Playing Field application

2. ABSENCES and APOLOGIES

Cllr B Price-Stephens – Carer duties
 Cllr J Dyer – Unwell

3. MINUTES

The minutes of the ordinary meeting held on 29th February 2023 were accepted as a true record and signed by the chairman.

Proposed: Cllr A Minns (as amended)

Seconded: Cllr S Craft

4. MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

Martin Mill Parking

No further updated

Land at The Street, East Langdon (LAN003/SAP46)

Extraordinary Planning meeting to be held on 27th March.

Vegetation overhanging footpaths

Awaiting sample quote

New Defibrillator for Martin.

Martin residents to raise funds towards new unit. Preferred location on the The Lantern Inn perimeter fence. The parish council's insurance company has confirmed that a public defibrillator housed in an unlocked external cabinet is covered by the policy. The parish council would prefer that the cabinet is locked to ensure that a 999 call is made to gain the code.

West Langdon Chapel Site

Sale has gone ahead for the second time.

District and Parish Elections Thursday 4th May. Notice of Election posted on March 20th.

Nomination papers to be completed by Tuesday April 4th.

Annual Parish Meeting Monday 17th April – Parish reports followed by Langdon

Neighbourhood Development Plan update. Parishioners may raise topics for open discussion.

Commonwealth Day March 13th – Commonwealth Flag raised at East Langdon Green.

5. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

No questions raised.

6. HEALTH AND SAFETY

Pot holes still major concern in parish and the cold wet weather is causing more to open. The KCC Highways website should be used to report any highways issues.

An overturned truck spilled ballast created a major incident on A258 road. Once again, traffic was diverted onto the side roads causing jams. Several reports have been received of vehicles travelling against the one-way section of Guston Road by the church and East Langdon Green.

7. REPORTS

DDC Cllr M Bates:

See Appendix section for the full report

KCC Cllr S Manion

KCC has major initiative to tackle the increasing number of potholes. A review of KCC public buildings is underway to look for more flexible sharing and carbon footprint reduction benefits for community services. Over 7500 empty homes across KCC have now been identified for residential conversion.

The London ULEZ traffic situation is being review as to it effect on the north Kent boroughs.

8. CORRESPONDENCE

- KCC** 10 March Scam Alerts: Residents targeted by Eurovision and home insulation scam, housing support fund and Doorstep crime in Kent on the rise with multiple reports to Trading Standards
Kent County Council Adult Social Care - Digital Front Door Offer
IMPORTANT UPDATE: REVISED ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA Professional Referral Energy Voucher Scheme - Household Support Fund
- DDC** Prospective Candidates Event - 15th and 16th March 2023
Housing Need survey extended deadline
Great British Spring Clean 2023
Email to Town and Parish Clerks re DDC and Town and Parish Councils - Purdah
- KALC** OEP Protected Sites: Call for Evidence
Join KALC and Breakthrough Communications for our latest online event:
KENT DEMENTIA SHOWCASE EVENT
KALC EVENT - EQUALITY, DIVERSITY AND INCLUSION WORKSHOP - WITH BREAKTHROUGH COMMUNICATIONS
KALC NEWS MARCH 2023 and Training Programme
Briefing on Coronation
KALC Climate Change Conference 2023
- NALC** Chief executive's bulletin
NALC EVENTSKENT AND MEDWAY ACTIVE - EVERYDAY ACTIVE SMALL GRANT
Our Annual Planning Conference - Now Booking! See your Provisional Programme
- Gladmans** Land at The Street, East Langdon SAP46 – outline planning application.
- Rotary Club of Dover:** open day invite to event 16th March The Holiday Inn in Whitfield
- Email received from resident reference Village Pond**

9. FINANCE

Resolution 23-03/01: Approval of payments

Chq No.

1356	Langdon Playing Field Association Grant application	£ 250.00
1357	West Langdon Village Hall Grant Application	£ 250.00
1358	E Langdon Parochial Church Council Section 137	£ 200.00
1359	Surrey Hills Solicitors W Langdon Village Green fees	£ 1692.00
1360	J Boot Consultancy Neighbourhood Development plan	£ 1965.50
1361	Microsoft monthly email fees Payee C B Shaw	£ 10.80
1363	HMRC clerk PAYE	£ 142.00
1364	D Willett Clerk salary £568.00 + expenses £89.52	£ 657.52

Proposed Cllr S Willett
Seconded: Cllr S Craft.
Resolution carried

Receipts

NatWest Bank Interest	2nd Feb 2023 – 1st Mar 2023	£ 24.30
Groundwork UK Grant	Received 24th Feb	£8266.00

To receive the quarterly Financial Statement for the period January – March 2023.
 (End of year statement to be presented at the April meeting).

Approved

Proposal: 23-03/02: To consider quotations received for the annual grounds maintenance contract at Langdon Playing Field 1st April 2023 – March 31st 2024. Cost: £2867.73

Proposed Cllr S Craft
Seconded: Cllr S Willett
Resolution carried

- 10. WEST LANGDON GREEN –**
 No further progress to report at this time

- 11. PLANNING APPLICATIONS**
To consider any additional planning applications received after the publication of the agenda DOV 23/00370
Town and Country Planning Act 1990 (As Amended)
Proposal: Outline application for erection of up to 40 dwellings (matters reserved except access)
Location: Land off The Street East Langdon CT15 5JF
 To be discussed at an Extraordinary Parish Council Meeting on March 27th

DECISIONS BY DOVER DISTRICT COUNCIL

None

Planning Enforcement Complaint ENF/22/00161

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

Comment: No progress

Planning Enforcement Complaint ENF/21/00396

Location: Rainbows End, Langdon Parish

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

Email to be sent to DDC Enforcement expressing dissatisfaction of the decision to sign-off the partial replanting work.

- 12. NEIGHBOURHOOD DEVELOPMENT PLAN**

The Community Visioning Workshop held on 21st February was well-attended by some 30 residents. A report of the evening's workshop discussions and summary findings of the parish survey can be found on the parish council website www.langdonpc.org.uk/ndp.

The next public workshop is on Tuesday 21st March at 7pm when the topics will be Green Spaces, Heritage and Public Rights of Way in the parish.

The Terms of Reference for the Neighbourhood Plan Steering Group will be published on the

parish council website.

13. **DDC DRAFT LOCAL PLAN –**
Nothing to report.

14. **REPORTS FROM OTHER BODIES**

West Langdon Parish Hall Nothing to report.

East Langdon Parish Hall - EDF have replaced the damaged electricity meeting.

Langdon Playing Field – Fallen tree blocking the upper trackway has been cleared.

Lengthsman's Report –A 30mph speed zoning proposal for Langdon approach routes has been drawn up for discussion..

New DDC Community Outreach Bus. To be booked for attendance in the hall car park on a Tuesday morning to coincide with Coffee Morning and Post Office openings.

15. **DATA PROTECTION REPORT**
Nothing to report

16. **ANY OTHER BUSINESS**

Highways Improvement plan – this will include the proposed 30mph parish zone. Useful feedback from the Neighbourhood Plan workshops will be used in the HIP.

17. **NEXT MEETING**

The next **ordinary parish council meeting** will be held between **7.00 – 7.30pm** on Monday April 17th 2023, followed by the **Annual Parish Meeting starting at 7.30pm in East Langdon Parish Hall.** The **Annual Parish Meeting** is the opportunity for residents to received reports and raise items concerning parish matters.

There being no other business the meeting closed at 9.40 pm

Signed.....CB SHAW.....

Date...17th April 2023

Appendix A

Monthly Report from DDC Cllr M Bates

MEETING REPORT FOR LANGDONS PARISH COUNCIL ON MONDAY 20.03.23

COUNCIL BUDGET

The budget was approved by Council on 1st March.

The district council part of the Council Tax bill for a Band D property in Dover District for 2023/24 is £208.17, an increase of £6.03, or 2.98%. The average total bill for a Band D property in Dover District for 2023/24 is £2,150.91, an increase of £101.10, or 4.93%.

The Council Tax charge for a Band D property in Dover District includes:

	2022/23	2023/24	Increase	2023/24 Proportion
	£	£	%	%
Dover District Council	202.14	208.17	2.98	9.68
Kent County Council	1,461.24	1,534.23	4.99	71.33
The Police & Crime Commissioner for Kent	228.15	243.15	6.57	11.30
Kent & Medway Fire & Rescue Authority	82.35	87.30	6.01	4.06
Sub-Total	1,973.88	2,072.85	5.01	96.37
Town & Parish Council (average)	75.93	78.06	2.81	3.63
Total Band D Council Tax	2,049.81	2,150.91	4.93	100.00

UPDATE ON HOUSING NEEDS SURVEY

The deadline for responses has now been extended from 7th March until to 18th April.

Street Parties for the Coronation of King Charles III

Residents are being encouraged to join in the celebrations for the King's Coronation by holding street parties in their neighbourhood. Further guidance on how to organise a street party can also be found on the [gov.uk](https://www.gov.uk) website.

LOCAL HERO AWARDS

The REACH Awards (Recognising Environmental And Community Heroes) recognises our district's unsung heroes who work hard to improve the appearance of the Dover District, help to maintain our environment and unite the local community.

The awards are free to enter, and candidates can nominate themselves or others in the following five categories:

- Litter Picking Hero (under 18)

- Litter Picking Hero (Over 18)
- Green/ Eco Friendly Business
- Community Project
- Green/ Eco Friendly School

To nominate yourself or others, please visit www.dover.gov.uk/GBSC where you will find further details including judging criteria and terms and conditions for entry. The closing date for entries is Tuesday 9 May 2023.

GREAT BRITISH SPRING CLEAN CAMPAIGN

The awards scheme will also support this year's Great British Spring Clean campaign, which takes place from 17 March until 2 April. The Campaign will be visiting St Margaret's at the King George V playing field from 2 to 4pm on Tuesday 21st and it would be great to see a good turn -out for that event.

LITTER LOTTO

Dover District Council (DDC) has partnered with litter pioneers, LitterLotto, to help reduce street litter.

This is a free mobile phone app which offers users the chance to win prizes for doing the right thing and putting litter in the bin. You simply take a photograph using the app as you place your litter in the bin. All litter counts, from a single cigarette stub to an abandoned bottle or takeaway box. Each time you bin a piece of litter, you get another entry into the LitterLotto national £1,000 weekly jackpot, instant spot prizes and their brand new "LitterLotto Coins", which may be redeemed for a variety of prizes and extra jackpot entries. You can submit as many entries as you like.

DDC is also offering a local jackpot of £100 each month for users of the app who bin litter in our district. Plus, in support of the upcoming Great British Spring Clean Campaign, DDC will be offering two additional weekly local jackpots of £100 with the first winner being drawn on 20 March. Anyone participating in the Great British Spring Clean can use the LitterLotto App.

LOCAL ISSUES

1. West Side

I have already forwarded you the email exchange between Martin Leggatt of Property Services but a summary of his proposed options is:

For me this puts KCC Highways back in the frame – if KCC Highways know the land owner they are able to serve notice on them to remove any structure/vegetation . They would also be able, I think, to do works in default and claim the money back – through a land charge if necessary. In this case that is not an option as the land is not registered.

I think options could be:

- 1) A conversation with ward KCC ward councillor – DDC/KCC member to member.
- 2) Someone raising the concerns face to face with the Headmaster/Headmistress – I got no response to my e-mail to the school so DDC officers probably do not have sufficient influence. Could perhaps be the parish council chairperson. If branches fall due to lack of maintenance the most likely people to be

injured are those associated with the school . It is an H&S risk that the school has been made aware of. Although the school has a legitimate defence of the issue being beyond their control – they would be acting reasonably to raise matter with KCC Education , who could then choose to apply pressure to KCC Highways.

- 3) DDC members approaching KCC direct – Thomas Williams is the KCC Highways manager for Dover District.