

**MINUTES OF LANGDON PARISH COUNCIL**  
**West Langdon Village Hall**  
**26 May 2016**

Present: Cllr C Shaw (Chairman), Cllr A Minns, Cllr S Craft, Cllr B Price-Stephens, The Clerk, County Cllr S Manion and seven members of the public.

1. **DECLARATION OF INTERESTS** There were no declarations of interest.
  
2. **ELECTION OF CHAIRMAN, VICE CHAIRMAN & REPRESENTATIVES**  
 Cllr Shaw was re-elected as chairman.  
     **Proposed: Cllr S Craft**  
     **Seconded: Cllr B Price-Stephens**  
 Cllr Minns was re-elected as vice-chairman.  
     **Proposed: Cllr S Craft**  
     **Seconded: Cllr B Price-Stephens**  
 Cllr C Shaw was re-elected as Village Hall Representative  
     **Proposed: Cllr A Minns**  
     **Seconded: Cllr S Craft**  
 Cllr A Minns was re-elected as Playing Field Representative  
     **Proposed: Cllr C Shaw**  
     **Seconded: Cllr B Price-Stephens**  
 It was agreed that attendance at KALC meetings will be shared among members.
  
3. **APOLOGIES** Apologies for absence were received from Cllr J Watson (work commitments), Cllr J Dyer (holiday), District Cllr P Watson, District Cllr K Morris and Community Warden L Kidd.
  
4. **MINUTES** The minutes of the extraordinary meeting held on 11 April 2016 were accepted as a true record.  
     **Proposed: Cllr B Price-Stephens**  
     **Seconded: Cllr A Minns**  
 The minutes of the meeting held on 18 April 2016 were accepted as a true record.  
     **Proposed: Cllr S Craft**  
     **Seconded: Cllr A Minns**
  
5. **MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES**  
Street lighting in Martin Mill The missing light in Station Road has been replaced. Cllr Minns will pursue the matter of the other lights that continue to require attention. It was agreed that a deadline of 31 August 2016 be set for the work to be completed.
  
6. **HEALTH AND SAFETY**  
 Cllr Minns advised the meeting of an increase in traffic density and speed during peak times when drivers are using the routes through the villages to by-pass the A258. It was agreed that the matter be brought to the attention of KALC at the next committee meeting.

## 7. REPORTS

County and District Councillors County Cllr Manion reported that a 20mph limit design and proposal in East Langdon is underway. KCC ended the last financial year with an underspend of £3.2m. £1m of the underspend will be used for pothole repairs together with £3m from central government.

Other External Agencies Concern was expressed that, since his appointment to the area in July 2015, the Community Warden has not attended any parish council meetings and that reports received have been of a general nature and lack reference to community issues in Langdon. Cllr Minns advised of the need for the involvement of both the PCSO and Community Warden in the development of a Resilience Plan and it was agreed that a request for their attendance at the June meeting be sent to the respective superiors.

Dover Area Committee Meeting Cllr Minns reported on the meeting held on 27 April 2016. (Copy attached)

## 8. CORRESPONDENCE

Old Lantern Planning Application DOV/16/00323 A letter from Mr Geoff Lear of Martin Farmhouse expressed concern that he had been unaware that the Parish Council were discussing, and subsequently supporting, the application at an extraordinary meeting on 11 April thus depriving him of the opportunity to voice his objections in public. Mr Lear has since exercised his right to record his concerns about the impact on the conservation area via the planning portal.

KCC Notice has been received of the publication of the inspector's report on the Kent Minerals and Waste Local Plan.

KALC Highways England is seeking evidence from motorists, local communities, construction partners and environmental groups for their Route Strategies for 2020 to 2025.

MARIE CURIE Publicity material has been received for the 2016 Marie Curie Blooming Great Tea Party.

CLERKS AND COUNCILS DIRECT The newsletter has been received.

KTPP The dates have been noted of two free courses in June about parish trees.

## 9. FINANCE

**i) Annual governance statements** It was agreed that the requirements of the Audit Commission had been met during the year 2015/2016

**Proposed: Cllr S Craft**

**Seconded Cllr A Minns**

**ii) Presentation of accounts year ending 31<sup>st</sup> March 2016** The accounts for the year ending 31 March 2016, copies of which are attached, were approved.

**Proposed: Cllr A Minns**

**Seconded: Cllr S Craft**

**iii) Internal Auditor's report** The internal auditor was satisfied that all financial arrangements were satisfactory and there were no recommendations for action.

The chairman proposed a vote of thanks to the clerk for her work as Responsible Financial Officer throughout the year and for preparing the accounts for audit.

**Approval of payments****Chq no.**

949	Kent County Playing Fields Association – subscription	£ 20
950	St Augustine’s Church – churchyard strimming	£ 50
951	Langdon Primary School PTFA – section 137 grant	£250
952	Mrs J Pamplin – internal audit fee	£ 60
953	Zurich Insurance	£226.27

**Proposed: Cllr S Craft****Seconded: Cllr A Minns****Receipts**

Precept	£12,643
Bank interest	£ 1.21
VAT refund	£379.96

**Charities** It was proposed and agreed unanimously that a section 137 donation of £100 be given to both Victim Support and Kent, Surrey & Sussex Air Ambulance.

**Proposed: Cllr B Price-Stephens****Seconded: Cllr S Craft****10. PLANNING****PLANNING APPLICATIONS****DOV/16/00302****Proposal:** Change of use of land for the creation of a ménage**Location:** Site at Martin Vale Farm, Station Road, Martin Mill, Dover, CT15 5JX**The Council has no objections but comments:**

- The ménage to be for private use only.
- The access to the road shown on the plans was constructed without official approval. Sight lines onto Station Road need to be improved.
- Provision is needed on site for a hay lorry to turn.
- Floodlighting to be designed to minimise light pollution

**DECISIONS BY DOVER DISTRICT COUNCIL****DOV16/00038****Proposal:** Erection of a first floor rear extension**Location:** Ingestre House, The Street, East Langdon, CT15 5JF**Permission granted****DOV/16/00300****Proposal:** Erection of a detached dwelling and car port and creation of a vehicular access**Location:** Land adjacent to 36 Westside, East Langdon, CT15 5JG**Permission refused****DOV/16/00328**

**Proposal:** Erection of a detached dwelling (existing dwelling to be demolished}  
**Location:** The Retreat, Old Roman Road, Martin Mill, CT15 5JY  
**Permission granted**

**TC DOV/16/00042**

**Planning (Listed Buildings and Conservation Areas) Act 1990**

**Planning (Listed Buildings and Conservation Areas) Regulations 1990**

**Proposal: T1** - Silver Birch - Crown lift to 2.5m above ground level

**T2** - Copper Beech - Crown lift to 2.5m above ground level

**T3** - Copper Beech - Crown lift to 2.5m above ground level

**Location:** Village Green, The Street, East Langdon, Dover

**No objections received; work may proceed**

**APPEAL DECISION BY THE PLANNING INSPECTORATE**

**Town and Country Planning Act 1990**

**APP/X2220/W/15/3138584**

**Appeal by** Lumicity Ltd

**Site address:** Engine Shed Field, Langdon, Dover Kent CT15 5HJ

**Proposal:** Installation of ground mounted photovoltaic solar arrays to generate electricity for export to the national grid together with transformer stations; internal access track; landscaping; fencing; access gate and associated ancillary infrastructure

**Appeal dismissed**

**11. REPORTS FROM OTHER BODIES**

Lengthman's Report Potholes are being repaired and, as usual at this time of year, verges and sight lines are obstructed by vegetation. Mr Hyde suggested that, in view of the likely increase in traffic resulting from housing development, a request be made for additional cutting of verges at junctions to facilitate traffic flow.

Playing Field The wooden pole components of the swings have been replaced and labour costs have been met from the grant monies. A temporary repair on the surface of the car-park is scheduled for Saturday 4 June.

Village Hall A second quotation is awaited for repairs to the hall roof.

**12. ANY OTHER BUSINESS**

20mph zone Cllr Shaw reported on a meeting with Richard Heaps on Tuesday 24 May. The 20mph zone can be implemented in East Langdon and a case can be made to impose a 40mph limit on East Langdon Road between East Langdon and Martin. A number of the existing posts will also be replaced. A series of consultations will be required and work is unlikely before the autumn.

Resilience Plan Cllr Minns advised that a new template is now available and suggested that all residents be made aware of the plan through the newsletter. Flooding in the areas of West Langdon Pond and Lucerne Lane pumping station should be considered during the drawing up of the plan. A contingency for resilience matters should also be considered when drawing up the next budget. The plan will be considered at the next meeting of the parish council.

Vote of thanks Mrs Miller proposed a vote of thanks to Mr Hyde for responding

on behalf of the community to the various lengthy applications for green energy projects in recent years.

Village Green The residents of Church Farm Mews will be holding a Fun Day on East Langdon village green during the afternoon of Saturday 2 July.

- 13. NEXT MEETING** The next meeting will be held at 7.30 pm on 20 June 2016 in East Langdon village hall.

The meeting closed at 9.40 pm.

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