

MINUTES OF LANGDON PARISH COUNCIL
East Langdon Village Hall
20 March 2017

Present: Cllr C Shaw (Chairman), Cllr S Craft, Cllr J Dyer, Cllr D Jarvis, Cllr A Minns, Cllr B Price-Stephens, The Clerk and four members of the public.

1. **DECLARATION OF INTERESTS** There were no declarations of interest
2. **APOLOGIES** Apologies for absence were received from Cllr J Watson (work commitment), County Cllr S Manion, District Cllr P Watkins and Community Warden L Kidd.
3. **MINUTES** The minutes of the meeting held on 20 February 2017 were accepted as a true record.

Proposed: Cllr B Price-Stephens
Seconded: Cllr J Dyer

4. **MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES**
Resilience plan carried forward to the next meeting. It was noted that websites such as Openmaps offer a useful resource.
Jazz Evening Sixty four people enjoyed the return visit of Old Hat Jazz Band; £215 was raised for hall funds.
Annual Meeting The timing of the evening will be dependent on the speaker's preference.
Commonwealth Day Pupils from Langdon School carried out their duties efficiently on a beautiful sunny morning. It is to be hoped that more members of the community will attend in future years.
Hedge cutting Hedge cutting took place in Martin on the day following the visit of the road sweeper; another disappointing example of a lack of co-operation between departments.
Land at Roman Road The rubbish has been reported to DDC but is still in situ.
Historic Village Signs Cllr Shaw reported that he has reviewed and updated the content of the signs.
Sutton Road Sign Mr Paul Hubbard has agreed that the sign should read "Abbey Top" and has referred the matter to DDC. It was suggested that Richard Heap be contacted and a request made for a copy of the map used by his department.
Clerk Vacancy The vacancy has been advertised on the KALC website and on the parish noticeboards.
5. **HEALTH AND SAFETY** There were no items under this heading.
6. **REPORTS**
County Cllr Manion reported that significant funding has been made available for social care. The additional funding is welcome but news is awaited on spending constraints that might apply.
The Community Warden has reported potholes and a fly tip in Pommeus Lane.
KALC Dynamic Councillor Cllr Jarvis reported that the course had been a

positive experience with particular focus on Powers and Responsibilities.

Heritage Watch Launch Event Cllr Minns reported on the need for Heritage Watch that is designed to protect the nation's treasure trove. A Country Eye app is available that will allow anyone seeing suspicious activity to record same and immediately send the information to the police force.

Dover Joint Transportation Board Cllr Minns reported that discussions have taken place as to the best site for bus parking on Dover Sea front; the road outside the Best Western Hotel was agreed. There was concern expressed about a decision to hold a six month trial to have two bus standings near the Time Ball in Deal and the likely impact on local roads.

7. CORRESPONDENCE

DDC –

i) The Director of Governance and Monitoring has circulated guidance on publicity during the period leading up to the KCC elections on 4 May 2017.

ii) Town and parish councils in Dover North need to nominate a representative for the Neighbourhood Forum.

CLERKS & COUNCILS DIRECT – The newsletter has been received.

SOUTHERN WATER – The Spring newsletter has been received.

CARBON SMART – The Rural Community Energy Fund offers a grant of up to £20,000 to investigate the feasibility of a renewable energy project.

8. FINANCE

Approval of payments

Chq no.

989	Clerk's salary (Jan – March)	£ 585.88
	Clerk's expenses (Jan – March)	£ 88.00
	Clerk's travel expenses – EiS Website training	£ 39.60
	Clerk's broadband allowance (2016 – 2017)	£ 180.00
	Clerk's computer allowance (2016 – 2017)	£ 110.00
990	Post Office – PAYE (Jan – March)	£ 146.40
991	KALC – course fees x 2	£ 144.00
992	Langdon Playing Field Association – insurance contribution	£1400.00
993	St Augustine's church – s137 community grant	£ 250.00
994	Mr D Jarvis – course travel expenses	£ 18.00
995	Mr A Minns – Heritage Watch Event travel expenses	£ 38.70

Proposed: Cllr B Price-Stephens

Seconded: Cllr S Craft

Receipt

Bank interest	£ 0.19
KALC – Transparency Fund Grant	£537.48

Quarterly financial statement The quarterly financial report was circulated and discussed. It was noted that an overspend of £36 on the clerk's salary resulted from a pay rise announced after the budget had been set. An overspend of £118 on playing field maintenance is offset by a saving in the previous year. The clerk reported that 95% of the precept had been spent to date.

NALC – The Section 137 expenditure limit for 2017 / 2018 is £7.57.

9. PLANNING
PLANNING APPLICATIONS

DOV/17/00056

Proposal: Reserved matters application for 26 dwellings (access, appearance, landscaping, layout and scale) details pursuant to outline planning permission DOV/10/01011

Location: Phase 1A – Whitfield Urban Extension, Whitfield

Langdon Parish Council records a neutral response to the application and comments:

- Langdon Parish Council has experienced difficulty in responding to this application in isolation without being made aware of the progress and changes to the entire Whitfield development over time.
- The council requests information on the timescale for the implementation of the infrastructure associated with the development.
- The council has concerns about the impact on the rural landscape of three storey buildings.

DOV/17/00305

Proposal: Erection of a detached flat roof building for use as a leisure centre (Use Class D2, 5,700sqm internal floor area), together with two external 5-a-side footballpitches, and associated parking, external lighting and landscaping

Location: Land to the south of, Honeywood Parkway, White Cliffs Business Park, Whitfield, CT16 3FH

The council supports the proposal but comments:

- Langdon Parish Council supports the choice of location in principle but is not convinced that public transport links will be adequate.
- Specific provision for coach parking needs to be allocated.

DECISIONS BY DOVER DISTRICT COUNCIL

DOV/16/00968

Proposal: Erection of 10 dwellings (2 with car barns) creation of vehicular access, parking and associated landscaping

Location: Land at Westside, Westside, East Langdon CT15 5JG

Permission granted

DOV/16/01306

PROPOSAL: Change of use from holiday let to residential dwelling

LOCATION: Old Stables, Eastside Farm, The Street, East Langdon CT15 5JF

Permission granted

DOV/16/01427**Location:** Calf House, Solton Manor Farmhouse, East Langdon CT15 5JB**Proposal:** Prior approval application for the change of use of an agricultural building into a dwelling house**Prior Approval Approved****DOV/16/01371****PROPOSAL:** Erection of a front dormer roof extension, two rooflights to rear roofslope and replacement of roof tiles**LOCATION:** Eastside Farm, The Street, East Langdon CT15 5JF**Permission granted****DOV/16/01372****Planning (Listed Buildings and Conservation Areas) Act 1990****Planning (Listed Buildings and Conservation Areas) Regulations 1990****PROPOSAL:** New dormer. Overhaul roof and form overhang. Replace porch tiles. Remove canopy. Replace render. Insert 2no roof lights. Replace floor joist. Remove drylining and replace with lime plaster. Remove staircase and insert new. New partitions and relocate bedroom door in new opening. Open up 2no fireplaces with repairs and alterations. Infill access to cellar. Remove kitchen wall.**LOCATION: Eastside Farm, The Street, East Langdon, CT15 5JF****Permission granted****OTHER PLANNING MATTERS****DOV/16/00576****Proposal:** Outline application (with all matters reserved) for the erection of two detached dwellings and improvements to existing access**Location:** Land adjacent and fronting Roseacre, East Langdon Road, Martin CT15 5JJ**To be considered by the planning committee on Thursday 23 March.****14 – 16 WESTSIDE**

County Cllr Manion has been investigating the ownership of land on which trees and undergrowth are in need of maintenance following concerns from a resident.

RAINBOWS END, WHEATSHEAF LANE, MARTIN

The construction of a ménage has been reported to the Planning Department.

10. REPORTS FROM OTHER BODIESLengthman's Report The lengthman will be reporting potholes.Village Hall Committee The roof grant has been confirmed and the money will be released on 26 March. A starting date has yet to be agreed.**11. ANY OTHER BUSINESS**Removal of bank It has been noted that part of the bank opposite the entrance to Enifer farm has been removed to allow access to the field. Velcourt will be contacted to enquire if this is a temporary situation pending replacement of the soil.

Rogue traders The police were made aware of rogue traders in the area on Saturday 18 March.

- 12. NEXT MEETING** The next meeting will be held at 7.00 pm on 24 April 2017 in East Langdon village hall to be followed by the Annual Parish Meeting at 7.30pm

The meeting closed at 9.40 pm.

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