

LANGLEY PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Meeting held on Thursday 18 June 2020 at 7.30pm via a Zoom Conference Call.

Those Present: Cllr Taylor Maggio (Chairman), Cllr K Chaplin, Cllr R Chaplin, Cllr Maggio, Cllr Williams, Cllr Woodcock. Cllr Wright.

Kent County Councillor Hotson was in attendance. There were no members of the public.

1. **(a) Apologies for absence.** Cllr Knowles (Family Commitments), Borough Councillor Young.
(b) Declarations of Changes to the Register of Interests There were no changes to the register of interests.
(c) Declarations of Pecuniary Interest or other Interests as defined by the Kent Code of Conduct and the Localism Act 2011 on any items on the agenda There were no items raised.
(d) Requests for Dispensations No requests were made.
(e) Declarations of Lobbying There were none received.
(f) Intention to record or film the meeting No notifications were received.
2. **Public Session** - As no residents were present, the meeting proceeded.
3. **Borough Councillor Report** – A short written report was received. Cllr Young reported that no funding for members grants will be available for this financial year and that the planning committee had rejected the application for an additional 420 homes in Otham and an appeal was expected from the developers.

Kent County Councillors Report – Cllr Hotson reported that if any club/society etc wished to apply for funding to his members fund then this would need to be done before December 2020. He has been involved in many virtual meetings and briefings relating to the Coronavirus help being provided and the impact on funding these at both Borough and County Level.
4. **Community Warden Report and Police Report** – No report was received.
5. **The Minutes** of the meeting held on 18 February 2020. It was RESOLVED (429/FC), that the minutes were taken as a read and confirmed as a correct record and would be signed by the Chairman at the next available full council meeting when it convenes in person.
6. **S101 1972 LGA Delegated Authority** - It was RESOLVED (430/FC) to ratify the S101 1972 LGA delegated authority and it's terms of reference to allow decisions and functions to be delegated from the Council to the Officer of the Council during the Coronavirus pandemic.

7. **Coronavirus** – The Council thanked KCC Cllr Hotson for his donation of £1,000 towards food boxes. In total 31 boxes were provided to those in need and a further thank you was extended to Maria Mackelden of the Over 60's Club who helped with the logistics and delivery of the boxes.

Information was posted on our noticeboards plus the Parish Council website, however, it was felt that the Langley Next Door website worked very well for community engagement and sourcing volunteers for food deliveries, prescriptions, sewing services and for the doctors Covid-19 assessments stations.

8. **Planning**

(a) The following applications were considered between the period of March-May 2020.

APPLICATION REF: 20/500967/FULL PROPOSAL: Erection of railings on top of an existing brick wall to the front. ADDRESS: Aston House Horseshoes Lane Langley Maidstone Kent. It was RESOLVED (431/FC) to offer no comment.

APPLICATION REF: 20/501005/FULL PROPOSAL: Uncovered exercise area for horses using a sand surface. ADDRESS: Rumwood Oast New Road Langley Maidstone Kent. It was RESOLVED (432/FC) to offer no comment.

Application Reference: 20/501452/REM Proposal: Approval of Reserved Matters for the associated infrastructure pursuant to phase 2 of outline planning permission ref. 15/509015/OUT Location: Land South of Sutton Road Langley Kent. It was RESOLVED (433/FC) to offer no comment.

APPLICATION REF: 20/501432/FULL PROPOSAL: Erection of a single storey rear extension to bungalow including reinstatement of door to front of the house. ADDRESS: Riseland Leeds Road Langley Maidstone Kent ME17 3JN. It was RESOLVED (434/FC) to offer no comment.

(b) No further applications were received for consideration from 1st June to 18 June 2020.

(c) **H1(10) Site Land South of Sutton Road** - Work has now started on this site and we have begun the dialogue with Countryside Properties who have agreed to provide regular updates and to discuss any concerns that we may have.

9. **Finance**

(a) Receipts of Income (March 2020 to June 2020)

Barclays Bank	Interest	£5.35
Maidstone Borough Council	Precept	£20,985
Kent County Council	Food Box Grant	£1,000
Maidstone Borough Council	Parish Services Scheme	£1,282.50

(b) It was RESOLVED (435/FC) to agree that the following payments were paid:-

Payments: March 2020

Cheque 103053	H Anderson	Salary & Expenses	£708.95
Cheque 103054	Castle Water Limited	Allotment Water	£10.94
Cheque 103055	Fresh Air Fitness	Gym Service (2019)	£306.00
Cheque 103056	HM Revenue	Tax	£15
Cheque 103057	H Anderson	Salary & Expenses	£661.00
Cheque 103058	Langley Village Hall	Hall Hire	£300.00

Payments: April 2020

Cheque 103059	KALC	Annual Subscription	£519.94
Cheque 103060	EON	Street Lighting Charges	£236.74

Payments: May 2020

Cheque 103061	C Taylor	Food Box Reimbursement	£700.00
Cheque 103062	ACRE	Annual Subscription	£ 55.00
Cheque103063	Satswana Ltd	Annual Subscription	£180.00
Cheque 103064	H Anderson	Salary April	£500.00

Payment: June 2020

Cheque 103065	Tree Ventures	Tree Survey	£420.00
Cheque 103066	Mrs Spry	Allotment Rent	£210.00
Cheque 103067	Fresh Air Fitness	Replacement Cheque	£306.00
Cheque 103068	H Anderson	Salary May/Food Parcels	£1062.50

(c) The bank reconciliations for March – June 2020 were presented and agreed.

End of Year Accounts as at 31 March 2020

Annual Return Governance Statement (Section 1)– Effectiveness of the system of internal control

(d) The Council considered the findings of the review.

(e) The Council RESOLVED (436/FC) to approve the Annual Governance Statement.

Annual Return Accounting Statements (Section 2)

(f) The Council considered the Accounting Statement.

(g) The Council RESOLVED (437/FC) to approve the Accounting Statement.

(h) The Chairman formally signed and dated the accounting statement

10. Correspondence

(a) An email received from the owners of Abbey Woods regarding motorbike nuisance and how they were trying to deal with the issues involved. The Council discussed this at length and agreed that whilst they were unable to provide financial support, any other form of assistance would be considered.

(b) An email from Maidstone Borough Council regarding their Dog Control PSPO Consultation. This was responded to by the Council in April 2020.

(c) An email was received from a resident regarding the overgrown hedge in Horseshoes Lane. This was reported to Kent Highways (Ref 508748).

11. Parish Council Annual Report 2019/2020 – It was RESOLVED (438/FC) for this to be published.

12. **Highway Matters** – The Highways Improvement Plan was discussed and it was RESOLVED (439/FC) for the following actions to be taken:-

- Cllrs Chaplin to make contact with Parking Services, Maidstone Borough Council to discuss junction protection and yellow lines in Leeds Road.
- The clerk to check land ownership of the grass verge in Horseshoes Lane by the Village Hall.
- Councillors to contact the clerk with any ideas of any other schemes/improvements that could be put forward.

13. **Play Area/Recreation Ground**

(a) The Maidstone Borough Council play area inspection report was received. No new matters have been raised.

(b) The Tree Survey report has been received for the recreation ground. It was RESOLVED (440/FC) that our Grounds Maintenance contractor would deal with the ivy at the base of the trees and a tree surgeon would be contacted for a quote for the two trees which require a little remedial work.

14. **Matters for information, urgent matters at the discretion of the Chairman for noting only or any items for further discussion at the next meeting.**

Cllr Taylor Maggio reported that CCTV footage had been captured by the village hall cameras of suspicious activity in the car park and that PCSO de Rose had requested a copy of same.

Meeting closed at 20.30pm

The next meeting will be held pm Tuesday, 21 July 2020 via Zoom Conferencing.

Approved by:

Date: