

LANGLEY PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Meeting held on Tuesday, 17 November at 7.30pm via a Zoom Conference Call.

Those Present: Cllr Taylor Maggio (Chairman), Cllr Knowles, Cllr Maggio, Cllr Williams, Cllr Woodcock, Cllr Wright.

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

- (a) Apologies for absence**. Cllr K Chaplin, Cllr R Chaplin (Family Commitments).
(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.

- Public Session** - As no residents were present, the meeting proceeded.

- The Minutes** of the meeting held on 20 October 2020. It was RESOLVED (465/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.

- Borough Councillor Report** –Cllr Young briefly discussed the Local Plan Call for Sites following the recent Strategic, Planning and Infrastructure Committee held on 9 November 2020 and also the reported closure of the Hazlitt Theatre.

Kent County Councillors Report – Cllr Hotson reported that he will be attending a virtual Regulation 18 pre-consultation planning meeting. In light of the Covid-19 pandemic and the costs/losses that have been incurred, KCC will be reviewing their budget to find cost saving measures.

- Community Warden Report** – No report was received.

Police Report – No report was received. Crime data figures can now be reviewed on the Kent Police website www.kentpolice.uk

- Update on progress of resolutions from the last meeting (information only)**

1. The plates on the hip twister were scheduled for repair on the 12 November, however, due to Covid-19 staffing issues, the contractor was required to cancel this appointment. A new date is awaited.

2. The clerk reported that upon inspection, there was no evidence of any large scale littering along the Leeds Road, however, this will continue to be monitored and would be reported where necessary.
3. The wetpour surface by the infant slide in the play area has now been repaired and the piece of equipment is now back in operation.
4. The Perspex front panels in the two noticeboards in Grasslands and Turgis Close have now been replaced.
5. The damaged planter at the entrance of the Village Hall carpark has been removed.

7. **Planning**

APPLICATION REF: 20/505099/FULL PROPOSAL: Erection of a double garage ADDRESS: Pleydells Bungalow Sutton Road Langley Maidstone Kent ME17 3ND. It was RESOLVED (466/FC) to offer no comment.

APPLICATION REF: 20/505180/ADV PROPOSAL: Advert Application for 5 No. non-illuminated hoarding signs, 2 No. illuminated totem signs, 2 No. nonilluminated construction entrance V-Boards and 27 No. flag poles. ADDRESS: Land South of Sutton Road Langley Kent. It was RESOLVED (467/FC) to offer no comment.

APPLICATION REF: 20/505243/FULL PROPOSAL: Erection of two single storey front extensions and conversion of the garage to a habitable space together with single storey link extension. ADDRESS: Cobtree 57 Horseshoes Lane Langley Maidstone Kent ME17 3JY. It was RESOLVED (468/FC) to offer no comment.

APPLICATION REF: 20/505244/FULL PROPOSAL: Extension of two parallel roads on the eastern side of the site onto the eastern boundary of the site, abutting the limit of the site. ADDRESS: Land at Bicknor Farm Sutton Road Langley Maidstone Kent ME17 3NG. It was RESOLVED (469/FC) to seek further clarification from the Planning Officer.

Application Reference: 20/505195/OUT Proposal: Section 73 - Application for Variation of Condition 3 to allow buildings on the eastern part of the site to have a footprint up to 10,000sqm, and variation of Condition 4 to allow buildings on the western part of the site to have a footprint up to 4,800sqm, a ridge height up to 10.5m, and to remove the requirement for buildings to be orientated end-on to the M20 motorway pursuant to application 17/502331/OUT - (Outline application for a mixed commercial development comprising B1(a), B1(b), B1(c) and B8 units, with a maximum floor space of 45,295 square metres (Access being sought) Location: Land At Woodcut Farm Ashford Road Hollingbourne Kent ME17 1XH. It was RESOLVED (470/FC) to note this application only.

8. **Maidstone Borough Council Local Plan**

A copy of the Regulation 18b preferred approach has been received and sent to all Councillors. Site Ref 172, Land at Sutton Road is the only site that has been included for consideration, however, the following is noted and its implications to the village must be considered:-

“5.28 The Leeds-Langley corridor will be safeguarded to enable the potential future delivery of an improved transport connection linking M20 J8 and the A274. It is not

currently known whether and what quantum of development will be needed to help create the business case for this new route, and as such this Plan seeks to ensure that any development that takes place within this corridor does not act to sterilise this opportunity”.

(b) A copy email from a resident to Borough Councillor Young was received regarding their concerns for site 174. It was RESOLVED (471/FC) to place this on file, however, it was noted that site 174 has not been taken forward to Regulation 18.

9. **Finance**

(a) Receipts of Income

Maidstone Borough Council	Parish Services Scheme	£1282.50
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It was RESOLVED (472/FC) to agree that the following payments were paid:-

103085	P Beaney	Noticeboard Repair	£ 152.72
103086	Royal British Legion	Poppy Wreath	£ 50.00
103087	H Anderson	Salary & Expenses Oct	£ 706.19
Total			<u>£ 908.91</u>

(b) The bank reconciliation was presented and agreed.

(c) A financial report for the period 1 April to 13 November was presented and agreed.

10. **Correspondence**

(a) An email has been received from Maidstone Borough Council regarding a letter being sent by them to the clinically extremely vulnerable of the Parish, which will also include details of the Parish Council as another point of contact.

(b) An invitation has been received from Kent Highways to attend their virtual Parish Seminar on Thursday, 19 November 2020. Cllr Taylor-Maggio to attend.

11. **Kent Highways**

Following item 10b of 20 October 2020 minutes, the Clerk spoke to Jennie Watson of Kent Highways to investigate possible options for traffic calming measures for Heath Road and Horseshoes Lane. Due to the topography of Heath Road, it was advised that there would be very limited options available and the best solution would be to consider a Speed Indicator Device (SID), this could be moved to various positions on a periodical basis and raise the awareness of speed through this interactive sign. To purchase and install would be in the region of £7,000 to £9,000 dependent on the model specification chosen. It was RESOLVED (473/FC) to contact Jennie Watson again to agree suitable site locations and to contact County Councillor Hotson on whether a grant towards costs would be available from his Member's Fund.

12. **Recreation Ground/Open Spaces**

Cllr Woodcock continues to undertake a weekly inspection and the monthly Maidstone Borough Council inspection report was received. No new issues have been reported.

13. **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 on work she is undertaking on behalf of KALC Maidstone Planning Steering Group.

Meeting closed at 20:45pm

The next meeting will be held at 7.30pm on Tuesday, 15 December 2020 via Zoom Conferencing.

Approved by:

Date: