

LANGLEY PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Meeting held on Tuesday, 15 February 2022 at 7.45pm at Langley Village Hall.

Those Present: Cllr Wright (Chairman), Cllr Knowles, Cllr Pitchers, Cllr Williams (late), Cllr Woodcock.

Borough Councillor Young. There were no members of the public present.

1. (a) **Apologies for absence**. Councillor King (Family Commitments), County Councillor Parfitt-Reid.
(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** – No items were raised.
3. **The Minutes** of the meeting held on 18 January 2022. It was RESOLVED (593/FC), that the minutes were taken as a read and confirmed as a correct record and were signed by the Chairman.

8pm Cllr Williams joined the meeting.
4. **Borough Councillor Report** – Cllr Young reported on the recent Ward Cluster meeting

Kent County Councillors Report – No report was received.
5. **Police Report** – Crime stats which are taken from www.e-watch.co/ for the period 11 January 2022 to 14 February 2022 recorded no crimes.
6. **Update on progress of resolutions from the last meeting (information only)**
 1. Following correspondence with Luke Mockeridge, KCC Street Lighting Design Engineer it was agreed to wait until further details are known regarding the proposed pedestrian crossing on Sutton Road near Horseshoes Lane before further discussions are had about adopting the streetlights along the A274.

7. **Planning**

The following application was considered:-

APPLICATION REF: 21/506733/LBC PROPOSAL: Listed Building Consent for internal alterations to provide new layouts to two floors, and loft extension with 2no. side dormers ADDRESS: Apartment 7 Rumwood Court Sutton Road Langley Maidstone Kent ME17 3NN. It was RESOLVED (594/FC) to offer no comment.

8. **Finance**

(a) Receipts of Income – There were no payments received.

(b) It was RESOLVED (595/FC) to agree that the following payments were paid:-

103153	NPower	Street Lighting Charges	£ 17.89
103154	KALC	Training Courses x2	£ 108.00
103155	Paul Waring	Grounds Maintenance	£ 5251.02
103156	Otham PCC	Churchyard Maintenance	£ 650.00
103157	H Anderson	Salary & Expenses	<u>£ 689.79</u>

Total £6716.70

(c) The bank reconciliation was presented and agreed upon. The closing balance per the cash book as of 4 February 2022 was £45,997.10.

(d) The Parish Services Scheme Grant for the financial year 2022/23 was confirmed at £2,701. A 2% increase from 2021/22.

9. **Correspondence**

(a) An email was received from KALC regarding forthcoming training events. It was RESOLVED for (596/FC) for Cllr Wright to attend the Chairmanship Conference and Cllr King to attend the Health and Wellbeing Conference.

(b) An email was received from the East of Maidstone Transport Group giving an update on their meeting held on 31 January 2022.

(c) Notification has been received of The Local Government Boundary Commission Public Consultation on ward boundaries for Maidstone. The deadline for comments is 4 April 2022.

10. **Recreation Ground/Open Spaces**

(a) The play area inspection report has been received from Maidstone Borough Council. There were no new items reported.

(b) It was RESOLVED (597/FC) to accept the Grounds Maintenance Contract for 2022/23.

(c) It was RESOLVED (598/FC) to accept the quote for the cutting back of trees, shrubs and hedge that borders the Village Hall carpark.

11. **Report on any external meetings attended by members of the Council**

Cllr Wright gave a brief update on the KALC Maidstone Committee meeting including the '20's plenty' project aimed at reducing vehicle speeds.

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

Agenda item – placement of an article in the media for recruitment of new councillors and management committee volunteers for the village hall.

It was noted that the Annual Parish Meeting will be held on Tuesday, 19 April 2022 at 7.30pm. The Parish Council meeting will then follow on afterwards.

The meeting closed at 9pm

Approved by:

Date: