

LANGLEY PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Meeting held on Tuesday, 15 March 2022 at 7.30pm at Langley Village Hall.

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

Borough Councillor Young. There was 1 member of the public present.

1. (a) **Apologies for absence**. Councillor Pitchers (work 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.
2. **Public Session** – A resident informed that a streetlight outside his house in Heath Road was not working and this was being currently pursued with UK Power Networks for resolution.
3. **The Minutes** of the meeting held on 15 February 2022. It was RESOLVED (598/FC), that the minutes were taken as a read and confirmed as a correct record and were signed by the Chairman.
4. **Borough Councillor Report** – Cllr Young reported on the current KCC bus consultation and urged residents to respond to it before the deadline. The proposed electoral boundary review has recommended that Langley will have its own individual Borough Councillor, with Sutton Valence being moved into a different ward.

Kent County Councillors Report – No report was received.

5. **Police Report** – Crime stats which are taken from www.e-watch.co/ for the period 15 February 2022 to 14 March 2022 recorded no crimes.
6. **Update on progress of resolutions from the last meeting (information only)**
 1. Cllr Wright reported that she had attended the KALC Chairmanship Conference and had found this very useful and informative.
 2. The work on the Village Hall car park hedge line has been started but some additional work is still to be completed to some of the trees within it.

7. Planning

The following application was considered:-

APPLICATION REF: 22/501039/FULL PROPOSAL: Erection of a single storey detached outbuilding. ADDRESS: Aston House, Horseshoes Lane, Langley Maidstone Kent ME17 3NN. It was RESOLVED (599/FC) to offer no comment.

8. Finance

(a) Receipts of Income

HMRC	VAT Return	£4,072.74
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(b) It was RESOLVED (600/FC) to agree that the following payments were paid:-

103158	S Knowles	Flowers for Planters	£ 24.00
103159	Castle Water	Allotment Water	£ 31.70
103160	H Anderson	Salary & Expenses	<u>£ 689.79</u>
	Total		<u>£ 745.49</u>

(c) The bank reconciliation was presented and agreed upon. The closing balance per the cash book as of 4 March 2022 was £43,353.14.

(d) Notification of the NALC 2021/22 clerk salary award was received. It was RESOLVED (601/FC) that back pay will be renumerated, and the new hourly rate was agreed.

9. Correspondence

(a) Notification was received of the KCC Consultation on proposed savings to the supported bus services. The deadline for comments is 20 April 2022. It was RESOLVED for (602/FC) to complete the questionnaire.

(b) An invitation has been received for the Chairman to attend the Women of Kent Luncheon 2022. The cost is £30 plus a donation. It was RESOLVED (603/FC) for Cllr Wright to attend.

10. Highway Improvement Plan – It was RESOLVED (604/FC) to add an item to look at improving visibility from Green Lane onto Heath Road.

11. WCAG Compliance of Website – The quarterly report has been received and no actions are required.

12. Recreation Ground/Open Spaces

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

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

No reports were given.

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.**

No items were raised.

The meeting closed at 8.15pm

Approved by:

Date: