



Langwith Parish Council

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Minutes of a meeting of **Langwith Parish Council**
held at **7:00pm** on Tuesday **14th March 2023**
at **Whaley Thorns & Langwith Village Hall, Portland Road, Langwith, NG20 9EZ.**

PRESENT

Cllr. C Dale	Cllr. S Peake – CHAIRMAN
Cllr. S Fritchley	Cllr. A Rozynska
Cllr. H Hornsby	Cllr. K Sharpe
Cllr. C Kane	Cllr. J Smith

Mrs J Jeffery – PARISH CLERK & RFO

IN ATTENDANCE: Members of the public (0)
Ms D Watson – CENTRE CO-ORDINATOR
Mr Richard Radford – LANGWITH CRICKET CLUB

2023/015 TO RECEIVE APOLOGIES AND REASONS FOR ABSENCE.

Apologies for absence had been received or were tendered on behalf of;

Cllr. S Berry
Cllr. B Elliott
Cllr. L Fritchley
Cllr. M Mitchell

RESOLVED: That the apologies be received and that the reasons for absence be noted.

2023/016 TO RECEIVE DECLARATIONS OF INTERESTS.

2023/018 – Langwith Cricket Club – Cllr. K Sharpe

2023/022 – Planning Matters – Cllr. C Kane

Councillors withdrew from the meeting at suitable points and returned after the relative conversations had concluded.

Where appropriate Councillors remained in the meeting but took no part in the relevant discussions.



2023/017 TO DISCUSS ANY POLICE MATTERS AND DECIDE ANY ISSUES FOR REPORT.

Crime statistics were no longer being supplied with the agenda but are available to view at <https://www.police.uk/your-area/derbyshire-constabulary/scarcliffe/?yourlocalpolicingteam=aboutus>

The Chairman informed Members that there was to be a ‘Cuppa with a Copper’ event on 16th March at Rhubarb Farm. She had also suggested to the officers that future events should be held at various alternate events to allow access to more members of the community.

It was also discussed that the temporary ANPR camera that had been sited at a problem junction in Langwith Junction had been successful and would soon be replaced by a permanent camera. Enforcement of any penalties would be a police matter.

2023/018 TO PERMIT PUBLIC PARTICIPATION PERIOD.

A PERIOD OF UP TO BUT NO LONGER THAN TEN MINUTES TO RECEIVE QUESTIONS AND OPINIONS FROM MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC ON ANY MATTER WHICH AFFECTS THE TOWN.

Richard Radford of Langwith Cricket Club spoke to the meeting about the devastating effect the chafer grub infestation had had on the ground. The club has fantastic prospects and was already engaging well with the community of all ages. It was essential that they achieved security for the site to ensure funding opportunities were available to them and the previously approved lease was discussed alongside the option of the club taking over the site from the Parish Council. It was noted that a covenant should be included in any transfer agreement stating that the site be handed back to the Parish Council should the club cease to exist as a cricket club in the future.

RESOLVED: That with the above covenant investigations commence into handing over the site to Langwith Cricket Club.

2023/019 TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE PARISH COUNCIL HAVING BEEN HELD ON 17TH JANUARY 2023.

RESOLVED: That the minutes be accepted as true record of the meeting.

2023/020 TO REVIEW AND APPROVE FINANCIAL INFORMATION.

It was noted that the Clerk usually provided full information with agenda documentation, but this had not been possible on this occasion. The information was reviewed by the meeting.



- a. TO AUTHORISE CASH BOOK ENTRIES SINCE PREVIOUS MEETING AND ADDRESS ANY QUERIES PRIOR TO AUTHORISING.**

The Clerk addressed any queries raised.

RESOLVED: That the reviewed cash book be authorised.

- b. TO REVIEW AND AUTHORISE BANK RECONCILIATION/S FOR CASH BOOK PERIOD.**

RESOLVED: That the reviewed bank reconciliation, showing a balance of £182,655.17 at 28th February 2023, be authorised.

- c. TO CONSIDER AND DECIDE APPLICATIONS FOR FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE.**

No applications for financial assistance had been received.

2023/021 TO CONSIDER RESPONSES AS NECESSARY TO LISTED CORRESPONDENCE.

- a. MATT LIDDY – BOLSOVER DC – SPEED INDICATOR SIGNS.**

NOTED At the request of Cllr. Fritchley Matt Liddy was working on the bid for speed indicator signs on behalf of the parish council.

- b. ‘20’S PLENTY’ DERBYSHIRE.**

NOTED.

- c. FOLK MUSIC DUO HUNGRYTOWN – EVENT AVAILABILITY.**

NOTED With comment that the Parish Council would prefer to use more local event providers wherever possible.

- d. JIM FIELDSSEND – BOLSOVER DC – SOCIAL MEDIA GUIDANCE.**

NOTED.

- e. KATHERINE CHURCH – BOLSOVER DC – ORCHARD PLANTING INFORMATION.**

NOTED With the Chairman updating Members that Katherine would be on site on the 29th March, 9am – 2:45pm, and all Members were welcome to attend and assist.



c. QUOTATIONS – LIGHTING UPGRADES.

Quotations had been received in relation to upgrading the lighting systems at both centres to LED. The costs involved had been underestimated and would be something that would need either funding or budgeting for in the future.

A quotation was also received to install an outside light with built in motion sensor to each of the canopies at the Community Centre.

RESOLVED: To accept the quotation from Cockell Electrical to carry out the installation of canopy lights at the Community Centre, at a cost of £380 plus vat.

2023/024 TO RECEIVE CHAIRMAN’S COMMUNICATIONS.

a. UPDATES FROM PREVIOUS MEETING.

i. PRECEPT AND BUDGET.

At the previous meeting during budget discussions a precept was agreed at £217,495, (increase of £40.07 per year, 31.27%) however following a full review of the budget, and efficiencies were possible, a precept demand of £190,000 (Increase of £18.81 per year, 14.68%) was found to be sufficient for the coming year. Therefore, in consultation with the Chairman, this lower amount was the amount of precept requested for the current year.

RESOLVED: To endorse the Chairman’s decision to submit a request for the lower amount of £190,000 as the precept demand for the 2023/2024 year.

ii. LANGWITH CRICKET CLUB – TO DISCUSS LEASE AND OTHER OPTIONS.

Discussed and agreed at agenda item 2023/018

b. OTHER ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION.

i. LLRG – UPDATE AND PROGRESS.

At the most recent meeting of the Langwith Leisure and Recreation Group, Members had selected Wicksteed as the preferred contractor for the installation of play equipment at Langwith Junction.

RESOLVED To endorse the decision of the group and select Wicksteed as the preferred contractor for the installation of play equipment at Langwith Junction.

RESOLVED To purchase an additional ‘ping pong’ table for the Langwith Junction site.



ii. PLANNED EVENTS –

Discussion took place regarding the pricing of tickets for community events.

RESOLVED Tickets for community style events would remain at £2.00 per head for Langwith Parish Council parishioners.

1. EASTER.

Children's event to be held on Thursday 6th April.

2. CORONATION OF KING CHARLES III.

Arrangements were being made for two afternoon tea events to be held in honour of the Coronation of King Charles III.

The Clerk in consultation with the Chairman was authorised to purchase gifts for all local primary school children and it was suggested that a Coronation bookmark would be suitable.

The Chairman went on to report the following;

- The garden of the former caretakers building had been rotavated and seeded as a wildflower garden and that a greenhouse had been purchased to allow growing of our own bedding plants.
- Rhubaby, a community shop for affordable baby products/equipment had moved into the Caretakers building and was a success so far.
- The Heritage Centre had now moved into the Community Centre.
- Two new groups were using the Village Hall.
- Despite assistance from an active bands' person, we are still struggling to source a band to take part in the Remembrance Parade.
- Further to an approach to Cllr. Joan Dixon for funds for a defibrillator, Cllr Dixon had offered £300 and whilst grateful for the offer defibrillators are around £2000 so further funds would be required.
- The Chairman was due to attend a meeting with someone experienced in bid writing who was to assist in writing a bid for the feasibility study for the creation of a new pavilion at the Cockshut Lane recreation ground.



2023/025 CONFIDENTIAL ITEMS/S – EXCLUSION OF THE PRESS & PUBLIC

Exclusion of public

Due to the confidential nature of the business to be transacted it is advisable, in the public interest, that the public and press be instructed to withdraw from the meeting.

RESOLVED: That in view of the confidential nature of the items to be discussed, Members passed the formal resolution to exclude the press and public from the meeting, pursuant to the Public Bodies (Admissions to Meetings) Act 1960 & the Local Government (Access to Information) Act, Part 1, paragraphs 11, (due to sensitive commercial and staffing nature of the issues being discussed).

2023/026 CONTRACTUAL / BUSINESS MATTERS

There were no matters raised for discussion under this item.

2023/027 PERSONNEL MATTERS.

There were no matters raised for discussion under this item.

2023/028 TO APPROVE THE DATE OF THE NEXT ORDINARY MEETING OF THE PARISH COUNCIL.

Set as 16th May 2023 as per the approved meeting schedule.

On concluding the meeting Cllr. Peake as Chairman thanked members for their support and contribution over the past four years.

SIGNED: _____ CHAIRMAN

DATE: _____