

Langtoft Parish Council

Minutes of Council Meeting held on Tuesday 5 July 2011 in the Village Hall

Present: Cllrs Roy Jackson (Chairman), Andy Hallam, Andy Halfhide, Debbie Hallam, Yvonne McCulloch, Mike Thompson

In Attendance: Steina Bishop (Clerk), PCSO Michelle Laughton, Jim Haw (Auditor).
District Councillors Rosemary Woolley and Kelham Cooke. There were also 6 members of the public.

Public Forum

Items raised were:-

- There were a number of issues regarding the safety of pedestrians. It has been noted that teenagers in the village are using pathways instead of the main road to cycle. This relates to all areas of the Parish and will be reported to LCC Highways for further investigation.
- It was noted in the latest Grapevine issue for the concern of restrictive parking being placed in West End. It was confirmed that the restrictions were relating to the speed of traffic and parking opposite the Village Shop, it has been suggested to LCC to put double yellow lines along that side of the road to stop congestion.
- It was noted that a man hole cover has been damaged and left in a state of disrepair and considered to be a danger to the public in East End, near the Council's notice board. LCC have been notified and it has been temporarily covered over, however, it was confirmed that the man hole is that of Anglian Waters. This is now being followed up with Anglian Water.
- We were informed of the new District Councillors website <http://truesdale.yourcllr.com>.
- Questions were raised regarding the Budget for Councillors and Clerk this was confirmed as we currently subscribe to LALC for all our training and it is included in the finances.
- The area behind the crossroads garden is need of attention and it was agreed to contact SKDC for responsibility. It was suggested that the Gardener maintain this area. However, this will be investigated.
- The PCSO confirmed that there are now 3 PCSOs covering 6 villages and are concentrating on speeding within all our local Parishes

- The HGV Survey that has been carried out under the heading of Archer Survey and is still being investigated by LCC.
- The planning for 47 East End was discussed at a recent meeting, held outside the Parish Council and has been deferred. Investigations into the planning on New Road are still inconclusive as is the matter of the retreat towards the top of New Road.

The open forum closed after 30 minutes at 7.30 pm.

Main Agenda

24/11 Chairman's Opening Remarks.

The Chairman thanked the previous Clerk for his contribution to the Parish Council.

Mr Butterfield has withdrawn his nomination for Councillor.

Item from minutes on 10th May for Vice Chairman, Andy Hallam. This matter was to be resolved. Cllr Halfhide Proposed, Cllr McCulloch Seconded.

25/11 Apologies for absence. There were no apologies for absence.

26/11 Declarations of interest. There were no declarations of interest for items on the agenda.

27/11 Co-Option. There were 2 candidates for co-option

28/11 Approval of Minutes of previous meetings (10th May & 26th May 2011)

The approval of the minutes was proposed by Cllr Mike Thompson, seconded by Cllr Debbie Hallam and agreed unanimously.

29/11 Groups

The Chairman reported the following changes with regards to the Groups. There is to be no change to the Planning Group; Finance & General Purpose will consist of Chairman, Vice Chair, Clerk and Cllr Halfhide; Events Group is to now incorporate the Cemetery and will consist of Cllr McCulloch, Cllr D Hallam and Chairman; Amenities Group is to remain the same with the inclusion of Highways, Cllr A Hallam, Cllr Thompson, Cllr Halfhide and Cllr D Hallam, this will require one other Councillor.

It was noted that any Councillor can attend any Group meeting with prior notice being given.

Resolution: Cllr A Hallam Proposed

Cllr A Halfhide Seconded

30/11 Standing Orders

There is 1 amendment to Standing Orders regarding the communication to Councillors, this has been referred to the F&GP Group to report at next meeting.

31/11 Clerks Report

The Clerk presented the report, which was accepted by the Council and it was noted:

- There were still some Tipper Trucks travelling through Langtoft early morning. Chairman and Clerk are writing a letter to Brian Thompson at LCC Highways and will also communicate this fact to Hanson.
- There has been some anonymous correspondence received via several Councillors and it was agreed by all to disregard and keep on file.
- Email received from Mr Brown regarding the County change implications when applying for insurances, Mr Brown did not attend this meeting and therefore will be raised at a later date. This however, is not a Parish Council decision.
- There was one outstanding item relating to the consecration of the cemetery. This has to date not been confirmed and will be chased.

32/11 Internal Auditor's Report

The internal auditors report to the Chairman on the first quarter of the year had been circulated to members and the Council noted the satisfactory conclusion.

The meeting also **RESOLVED:**

33/11 Events Group Report

Following on from Annual Parish Meeting on 17th May followed the format of a Cheese and Wine Evening with displays from groups in the village.

The response from Groups was good but we only had approx 20 members of the public.

It was however an enjoyable evening, Roy's welcome was informative and his invitation to the groups to speak went down very well.

Parish Walk on 15th June - Attendance was down on last year - 25 people turned out on a dry evening and enjoyed the walk and refreshments in the Waggon and Horses.

Harvest Festival - Sept/Oct - Resolved to Recommend the PC approve a budget of £25 for the flowers.

34/11 Planning Group Report

There were no outstanding Planning Applications

35/11 Cemetary Books

Cllr McCulloch requested that the Cemetary Books be kept within the Church, this matter has been forward to the Events & Cemetary Group for investigation and to report back at next meeting.

36/11 Best Kept Village 2012

This item has been referred to the Events Group and to report back at next meeting.

37/11 Future Meetings

It was noted that all meetings have been booked in advance and noted the next meeting is on 6th September 2011

38/11 Resolution to exclude the public.

The meeting **RESOLVED:**

“To exclude members of the public from the remainder of the meeting”

This was proposed by Cllr Thompson and seconded by Cllr Halfhide and agreed unanimously.

39/11 Co-Option

The Chairman discussed the two candidates for Co-Option, Derek Risk and Brian Branch which was agreed unanimously.

The meeting ended at 8.05pm

Date of next meeting, 6 September 2011 in the Village Hall

Derek Risk
Clerk to Langtoft Parish Council.