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| Clerk: Erica WilliamsE-mail: langleyclerk@googlemail.com13 Princes Close, Balsham, Cambridgeshire CB21 4EEA MEETING OF LANGLEY PARISH COUNCILHELD AT LANGLEY COMMUNITY CENTRE ON**MONDAY 10h March 2025 at 8.00pm** |

**MINUTES**

**Attended:** Cllr Elkington (Chair), Cllr North (Vic-Chair), Cllr Clark, Cllr George, Cllr Barnes, Cllr Anderson. Cllr Smith, Cllr Oliver arrived at 8.40pm.

**Minutes: Cllr Elkington**

**1.** **APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

 Erica Williams (Clerk)

**2. DECLARATION OF INTERESTS**

It was proposed and agreed by all that Langley Parish Council is the registered owner of the village green and Councillors declare general

interests in all agenda items relating to the village green. Any other interests would be declared in the usual way.

* Cllr North**:**  non-pecuniary, member of the Parish Council that owns the land on which the community centre is built.
* Cllr Clark**:**  non-pecuniary, member of the Parish Council that owns the land on which the community centre is built.
* Cllr George: non-pecuniary, member of the Parish Council that owns the land on which the community centre is built.
* Cllr Barnes: non-pecuniary, member of the Parish Council that owns the land on which the community centre is built.
* Cllr Anderson: non-pecuniary, member of the Parish Council that owns the land on which the community centre is built. 8.9; personal – resident.

**3. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION SESSION WITH RESPECT TO ITEMS ON THE AGENDA AND OTHER MATTERS THAT ARE OF MUTUAL INTEREST**

3.1 Two members of the public attended. A member of the public requested the Parish Council to inspect and review actions that may be taken to clear a pond which is on common land.

**4.** **MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING**

4.1 Councillors were asked to review the Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on Monday 10th February. All agreed and Vice-Chair signed them off.

**5.** **FINANCIAL CLARIFICATION**

5.1 **Financial Report** *–* Bank reconciliation as at 31st February, the current account balance was £19,857.35. PC unpresented payments, £437.27 resulting in a current account balance of £19,420.08. Broken down as follows: Playground H&S funds £239.37, Ditches funds £2,000.00, Speed sign funds £4,014.14. PC funds £12,706.57. PC deposit account £10,590.75.

5.2 All Cllrs reviewed and agreed BACS run.

5.3 Gov.uk email Parish addresses to be reviewed at the next PC meeting, to be actioned for the new financial year.

5.4 Website review – further updates to follow

5.5 Further two grants may be delayed due to Highways not yet approving VAS application

5.6 Noticeboard maintenance to be booked in when the weather improves. One further quote outstanding

**6. PLANNING APPLICATIONS/PROPERTY**

6.1 UTT/25/0468/FUL – Land opposite Sparrows, Langley Upper Green – NO COMMENT

**7**. **LANGLEY VILLAGE PROJECT**

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**8. LOCAL ENVIRONMENT**

8.1 The grass cutting contract has now been formally offered to Compact Contracting Services and will commence in April.

8.2 Tree works: Clerk to chase UK Power Networks about overhanging branches near to power lines in the Lower Green. Quotation required for Health inspection of trees around the village green.

8.3 Ditch and drain clearance continuous while working with Essex Highways. Recently identified issues such as broken pipes may necessitate occasional road closures.

8.4 Streamwatch project was discussed again and it was decided by the Council to withdraw from the project for the time being.

8.5 Permission still outstanding for the VAS speed signs. Other Parish Councils are also experiencing delays.

8.6 A leaflet is soon to be delivered to all households in Langley Upper and Lower Greens to provide current status on the Housing Needs Survey.

8.7 Following the disconnection of electricity to the phone box in the Upper Green, a complaint has been lodged with UK Power Networks and further updates to follow. Clerk to request refurbishment of phone box in the Lower Green by BT. Awaiting further information

8.8 Beacon Event on 8th May to commemorate the 80th anniversary of VE Day. This will be an evening event with involvement from the British Legion.

8.9 The PC has become aware of potential parking issues at Long Ley following the recent resurfacing work.  The PC are in discussions with both UDC and some residents in an effort to resolve these together with a possible alternative parking site for the mobile library bus.

**9. PLAYGROUND**

9.1 Maintenance work required to be carried out in the Spring.

**10.** **DISTRICT & COUNTY COUNCIL**

Cllr Oliver provided an update to Cllrs and answered questions.

**11. BACS PAYMENTS**

11.1 Council agreed the following BACS payments to be made:

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| **Langley Parish Council – BACS payments for March 2025** |
| Open Spaces Society | Membership Renewal | BACS | £45.00 |
| Erica Williams | Clerks’ salary | BACS | £392.27 |
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|  |  | Total | **£437.27** |

**12. MATTERS TO BE RAISED BY MEMBERS FOR THE NEXT AGENDA**

**13. DATE OF NEXT MEETING:**

13.1 The next meeting will be on Monday 14th April 2025 at Langley Community Centre.