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| Clerk: Erica Williams  E-mail: [langleyclerk@googlemail.com](mailto:langleyclerk@googlemail.com)  13 Princes Close, Balsham, Cambridgeshire CB21 4EE  A MEETING OF LANGLEY PARISH COUNCIL  HELD AT LANGLEY COMMUNITY CENTRE ON  **MONDAY 10h February 2025 at 8.00pm** |

**MINUTES**

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

**Minutes:** Erica Williams (Clerk)

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

Cllr Elkington and Cllr Smith sent apologies ahead of the meeting.

**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 One member of the public attended.

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

4.1 Councillors were asked to review the Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on Monday 13th January. All agreed and Vice-Chair signed them off.

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

5.1 **Financial Report** *–* Bank reconciliation as at 31st January, the current account balance was £20,281.62. PC unpresented payments, £1,218.27 resulting in a current account balance of £19,063.35. Broken down as follows: Playground H&S funds £239.37, Ditches funds £2,000.00, Speed sign funds £3,214.14; PC funds £13,609.84. PC deposit account £10,590.75.

5.2 All Cllrs reviewed and agreed BACS run.

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

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

5.5 Website review – further updates to follow.

5.6 The PC were delighted to receive a grant from the Fete Committee for £800 towards the purchase and installation of VAS signs and wish to extend their thanks to the committee.

**6. PLANNING APPLICATIONS/PROPERTY**

6.1 UTT/24/3149/LB – Duddenhoe Grange, Upper Green Road – NO COMMENT

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

7.1 Burns Night well received with profits split between the Church and the Community Centre. Maintenance work has been carried out in the Community Centre. The Church also received a grant from the Fete Committee towards flooring work required.

**8. LOCAL ENVIRONMENT**

8.1 The PC discussed tenders received for the grass cutting contract. After discussion, Cllr North proposed to accept the quote from Compact Contracting Services for £3,869.95 per year. Cllr George seconded. All agreed.

8.2 Clerk to chase UK Power Networks about overhanging branches near to power lines in the Lower Green.

8.3 Contractor has carried out 1 day of drain clearance in the Lower Green, with 1 more to follow. Essex Highways reviewing some possible issues with pipes and are due to carry out another visit in February.

8.4 After discussion, Cllrs opted to revisit the Streamwatch project at a later date.

8.5 Permission still outstanding for the VAS speed signs.

8.6 Teams meeting took place between Hastoe Housing, Cllrs Elkington and North and a representative from RCCE to discuss next steps for Low Cost Housing scheme. Meeting to be booked to walk the village and identify possible sites. PC to send letter to all households in the village providing an update.

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.

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 have been made aware of possible parking issues in Long Ley, following resurfacing works. Discussions in progress between residents and UDC. A request has been made to relocate the library van. The PC would be sad to see the loss of the library van to residents of the village if a suitable new site could not be identified.

**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 February 2025** | | | |
| LCC & ST | Grant payment | BACS | £250.00 |
| Erica Williams | Clerks salary | BACS | £392.27 |
| Crown Tree & Garden Care | Tree work & ditch clearance | BACS | £576.00 |
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|  |  | Total | **£1,218.27** |

**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 10th March 2025 at Langley Community Centre.