

3rd September 2018

Minutes of the meeting of the Abberton and Langenhoe Parish Council held on Monday 3rd September 2018 at The Village Hall, Edward Marke Drive, Langenhoe.

PRESENT AT THE MEETING

In the Chair	Stephen Wormell
Councillors	Simon Dougherty Doug Kibblewhite Peter Hine Alan Frost Dave Grover Margaret Palmer-Slatton Malcolm Mattack
Clerk	Clair Collett

There were 6 members of the public present.

1 463/1 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies were received from Cllr Bentley, Cllr Davidson and Tim Pickard.

2 463/2 ANNOUNCEMENTS

It was announced that Alan Janes had sadly passed away today, Ted Sparrow had passed away and Walter Ted Sparrow had passed away recently . He was responsible for compiling the list of local servicemen who gave their lives in the Great War and the Second World War. Walter Schwarz passed away on 25th August 2018 aged 88 years. Mr Schwarz was a respected journalist.

3 463/3 OPPORTUNITY FOR MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC TO ADDRESS THE COUNCIL

Cllr Wormell addressed Mr Gordon Davis who was in attendance. He presented Mr Davis with a garden voucher for all his dedicated time of the number over years he had represented the parish council. The village walks that were so well attended and how lucky we were that he still arranges them.

4 463/4 TO RECEIVE DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

No declarations were received.

5 463/5 ADDRESS BY CLLR KEVIN BENTLEY, CLLR DAVIDSON AND ZONE WARDENS (IF PRESENT)

None of the above were present.

6 463/6 MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 9TH JULY 2018

It was proposed by Cllr Hine and seconded by Cllr Grover and agreed by those present that the minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on 9th July 2018 be accepted as a true record of the business transacted at the meeting. Cllr Wormell signed the minutes.

7 463/7 MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING

(a) School Parking

Cllr Mattack advised that he had received notification from Cllr Bentley that he would be writing to the residents concerned around the Bank Holiday weekend giving an update so the facts were uppermost in people's minds just before the start of the school year. Cllr Wormell asked for a volunteer to get in touch with the new Head teacher

ACTION:
Cllr Mattack

at Langenhoe Community School. Cllr Mattack offered to make contact.

(b) LHP - Speed Limit Request

It was proposed by a resident and supported by the parish council to send a request to Cllr Bentley for road sign for 'No Footway' or 'Narrow Road'. This would be for Layer Road.

Cllr Kibblewhite stated that he was becoming increasingly frustrated with the amount of time it was taking to receive responses from ECC and the often inadequate content when replies were eventually received. This issues had been raised initially with Cllr Bentley but he felt that Kevin's increasing workload meant that he was now unable to monitor the responses sent by the officials he had delegated to respond.

To overcome the outstanding problems, that he had historically related to Highways and Broadband issues, he requested the clerk to take up an earlier suggestion made by Cllr Bentley, whereby he would meet with Cllr Kibblewhite and any other councillors who had an input that would speed up the process of communication in order to meet and manage residents expectations.

ACTION:

Clerk
Cllr Bentley

(c) The Lion

Cllr Mattack reported that the planning meeting was being held on 1st October where Cllr Wormell will be representing the Parish Council.

ACTION:

Cllr Wormell

(d) Outdoor Gym Equipment

The clerk advised that she had chase for a quote but had not yet received one. She will continue to chase.

ACTION:

Clerk

(e) Policies & Procedures Review

Cllr Mattack had circulated his revised Standing Orders and it was proposed by Cllr Hine and seconded by Cllr Frost and agreed by all present that the Standing Orders be updated.

(f) Seats for Triangle

Cllr Hine reported that the proposal of Cllr Grover and himself was to take all the wooden slats and replace if necessary and restrain and repaint the metal frame and for this to be done in Spring 2019.

(g) Newsletter/Leaflet distributors

The clerk asked for confirmation that everyone was happy with the distribution lists. It was agreed that Cllr Frost take over Steve Miller's list too.

8 464/8 PLANNING REPORTS

181189 - Fingringhoe Ranges, Lodge Lane, CO5 7LX

It was agreed that the parish council support this application.

181733 - 20 Edward Marke Drive, Langenhoe, CO5 7LP - The planning application had been approved with conditions.

181776 - 24 Fingringhoe Road, Langenhoe, CO5 7LB

It was agreed that the parish council support this application.

181669 - Park House, Abberton, CO5 7LG

It was agreed that the parish council support this application.

172677 - There was a discussion regarding an appeal Planning Application for a new build property in Glebe Lane.

9 464/9 CORRESPONDENCE

Resignation from Cllr Newall

The clerk reported that she had received the resignation from Cllr Newall and would contact CBC to advertise the Langenhoe Ward vacancy.

The clerk also reported that she had resigned and her last meeting she would attend will be 8th October 2018.

10 464/10 FINANCE AND ACCOUNTS

Accounts Payable

The following payment were approved schedule No 212:

Mrs C Collett (Garden voucher for Gordon Davis)	40.00
Mrs C Collett (Salary August with addit hours)	392.00
E-ON (Electricity Charges August)	50.04
Mrs C Collett (Coloured paper for newsletter)	9.99
D A P Landscapes (Grass cutting)	732.00
EALC (Training courses for Cllr Mattack)	180.00
A&J Lighting Solutions (Monthly streetlight maintenance)	60.90
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Total	1,525.83

It was proposed by Cllr Grover and seconded by Cllr Hine and agreed that the 8 cheques listed on the schedule 212 be approved for payment and they were signed by Cllr Wormell and Cllr Dougherty.

11 464/11 REPRESENTATIVES REPORTS

(a) Footpath & Tree Warden

Cllr Mattack advised that the footpath between Peldon Road and Meadow Way had been cleared by Essex County Council in July, but was already in need of attention. In respect of the footpath between Fingringhoe Road, Langenhoe and Abberton Road, Fingringhoe. Despite the ECC web portal showing the evident no current status of the job was: Works in Progress. And that ECC '... are in the process of carrying out works at this location.' It is evident no work has been carried out. Cllr Mattack will continue to pursue the matter.

(b) Abberton & Langenhoe Community Association

Cllr Palmer-Slatter reported that the coffee mornings were still well attended. The Open day for the allotments was being held o 15th September between 11-1.30pm. The Macmillan coffee morning will be held on Wednesday 26th September

(c) Edward Markes Trust

Cllr Frost reported that the a Open Day was being held on 15th September and all welcome. The scarecrow entries to be brought along to the hall between 9.30-10.30am.

(d) Church Matters

There was nothing to report.

(e) Grass cutting/maintenance

Cllr Palmer-Slatter reported the grass had been cut today which was the 9th cut so far. She also proposed for 2 water butts to be purchased and installed behind the bus shelter. Cllr Palmer-Slatter was asked to obtain quotes for this and advise at the next meeting.

Cllr Hine also reported that he will continue to keep the willow tree tidy.

(f) Public Relations

The clerk reported that all the newsletters had been distributed.

(g) Neighbourhood Watch

There was nothing to report.

ACTION:

Cllr Mattack

ACTION:

Cllr MPS

(h) Youth Liaison

The clerk reported that the youth club will meet on Friday and will be making scarecrows.

(i) Finance Working Party

There was nothing to report.

(j) Property Maintenance

Cllr Hine reported that he had completed his monthly inspection for August and enquired when the annual inspection was due. The clerk will advise. It was also asked to pour some boiling water on the weeds surrounding the play area.

Cllr Hine also reported that Cllr Grover, Cllr Kibblewhite and himself will find a contractor to paint the basketball shelter.

(k) Speed Watch

There was nothing to report.

(l) CALC

Cllr Dougherty reported that the next meeting was on Thursday.

(m) Centenary Anniversary

Cllr Grover reported that the proposal and design for the window had gone to the Church council to discuss. If agreed the order can be placed.

(n) Broadband

Cllr Kibblewhite reported that he had little to report after the Village Hall meeting held on Monday 23rd July Superfast Essex had been in touch but regrettably nothing further had been heard from County Broadband who had undertaken at the meeting to make contact with the residents of Abberton & Langenhoe and investigate the potential refunds of monies to 2 residents as proposed that night by Cllr Bentley.

The clerk was requested to email Cllr Bentley to follow up the lack of any further contact from County Broadband. received her refund. She was asked to email Cllr Bentley to advise him.

(o) Markes Wood

There was nothing to report.

12 465/15 DATE OF THE NEXT MEETING

Monday 8th October 2018 at 7.30pm in the Village Hall, Edward Marke Drive.

The meeting closed at 8.37pm.

ACTION:

Clerk