

ABBERTON AND LANGENHOE PARISH COUNCIL

COUNCIL MEETING – 12th July 2021

A meeting of the Council took place on Monday 12th July at 7.30pm, at the Village Hall, Edward Marke Drive, Langenhoe

Cllrs Present Stephen Wormell – Chairman
 Simon Dougherty – Vice Chairman
 Jonathan Andrews
 Alan Frost
 David Grover
 Margaret Palmer-Slatton

Also in attendance – 4 members of public and Clerk

058/21	Apologies for absence – Cllrs Kibblewhite, Mattack and Hine. ECC Cllr Bentley, CBC Cllrs Davidson and Moore	
059/21	Announcements – none	
060/21	Public Questions A resident enquired about the street cleaning regime and noted the poor state of the Edward Marke Drive estate. The Clerk had already enquired about the cleaner visiting the village but had not received a response.	Action – Clerk to chase CBC
061/21	Declarations of Interest – none	
062/21	Reports of County and Borough Councillors There were no ECC or CBC Cllrs present and no reports had been received.	
063/21	Minutes of Meeting – 7 th June 2021 The minutes as previously circulated were signed as a correct record by Cllr Wormell. Proposed by Cllr Frost and seconded by Cllr Grover	
064/21	Planning Applications and decisions 211660 – Willowview Cottage, Layer Road – change of use of meadow land to private garden - no objection but condition to be attached that land must remain as private garden for the enjoyment of the property known as Willowview Cottage. Also noted that property is outside the village envelope. 211580 – Oxley House, Mersea Road – demolition of agricultural store and conversion and extension of agricultural building to create single dwelling – no objection	

	<p>211709 – 26 Fingringhoe Road – proposed new annexe within garden space – no objection</p> <p><u>Decisions</u></p> <p>Approvals</p> <p>211278 – 16 Sawkins Close</p> <p>211120 – 4 Pyefleet View</p> <p>Notice of Planning Appeal lodged – The Maltings, Mersea Road</p>																			
065/21	<p>Correspondence</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Age Concern – letter requesting donation – denied 2. CALC – annual subscription request – agreed 																			
066/21	<p>Finance and Accounts – July and August 2021</p> <p>The following accounts were approved for payment, schedule 004/21 and signed by Cllrs Wormell and Dougherty. Proposed by Cllr Dougherty and seconded by Cllr Frost</p> <table style="width: 100%; border-collapse: collapse;"> <tr> <td style="width: 80%;">A&J Lighting – call out</td> <td style="text-align: right;">£235.08</td> </tr> <tr> <td>A&J Lighting – July maintenance</td> <td style="text-align: right;">£60.90</td> </tr> <tr> <td>J Knight – grasscutting 21/6/21</td> <td style="text-align: right;">£175.00</td> </tr> <tr> <td>J Knight – grasscutting – 1/7/21</td> <td style="text-align: right;">£175.00</td> </tr> <tr> <td>S King – donation to Covid Tea</td> <td style="text-align: right;">£50.00</td> </tr> <tr> <td>CALC – subs</td> <td style="text-align: right;">£35.00</td> </tr> <tr> <td>E-On – Streetlight electricity</td> <td style="text-align: right;">£59.80</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Staff costs – July</td> <td style="text-align: right;">£271.50</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Staff Costs – August</td> <td style="text-align: right;">£271.50</td> </tr> </table>	A&J Lighting – call out	£235.08	A&J Lighting – July maintenance	£60.90	J Knight – grasscutting 21/6/21	£175.00	J Knight – grasscutting – 1/7/21	£175.00	S King – donation to Covid Tea	£50.00	CALC – subs	£35.00	E-On – Streetlight electricity	£59.80	Staff costs – July	£271.50	Staff Costs – August	£271.50	
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067/21	<p>Bank Reconciliation – June 2021</p> <p>Cllr Mattack had agreed the reconciliation</p>																			
068/21	<p>CBC Woodland Bio Diversity Project</p> <p>At the meeting on 7th June, it had been agreed to advertise the offer of free trees and shrubs to residents via the Autumn newsletter (Min 056/21). However, CBC has advised that the request for trees needs to be submitted prior to the delivery of the newsletter. It was agreed to advertise this via Facebook and Notice boards.</p>	<p>Action – Cllr Andrews to place details on Facebook</p>																		
069/21	<p>Representatives Reports</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Footpaths and Tree Warden – there are overgrown vegetation issues on Footpath 7 that have been reported to ECC for attention • Abberton and Langenhoe Community Association – following the relaxation of social distancing measures it is hoped to recommence the Meeting Place on 21st July. The Fun Day is to be held on 4th September and the ABBA tribute evening on 11th September. There is a management meeting on 19th July • Edward Marke Trust – nothing to report 																			

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Church Matters – 2 weddings have recently taken place and £500 has been raised for a memorial bench. Cllr Dougherty and his wife have been clearing the vegetation from the churchyard and more volunteers are needed • Grass cutting/maintenance – the weather has caused some difficulties with the cutting programme this summer • Neighbourhood Watch – there have been reports locally concerning fraudulent obtaining of credit cards. The Police are aware. • Youth Liaison – nothing to report • Finance Working Party – the FWP have met to discuss the Clerk’s salary. It is recommended that the Clerk’s salary is increased to SP 17 with immediate effect. Proposed by Cllr Frost and seconded by Cllr Dougherty. Agreed. • Property Maintenance – nothing to report • CALC – a meeting was held on 24th June and a talk concerning Global Warming was given by an officer of CBC. • Broadband – still no definite date for connections by County Broadband. • Speedwatch – a Speedwatch session was undertaken on 2nd July and 50 vehicles were reported for speeding, the top speed recorded being 49 mph. A further session was held on 11th July and 25 vehicles were reported with a top speed of 52mph. 3 people have now been trained to undertake the sessions with a further 2 awaiting training • Social media and Newsletter – adverts for the Summer Newsletter achieved £360 of income. Facebook continues to attract a lot of hits. • Highway Issues – Cllr Kibblewhite had received no further updates from Cllr Bentley 	
070/21	Date of next meeting – 6 th September 2021	

There being no other business the meeting closed at 8.15pm