

ABBERTON AND LANGENHOE PARISH COUNCIL

COUNCIL MEETING – 4th November 2024

A meeting of the Council took place on Monday 4th November 2024 at 7.30pm, at the Village Hall, Edward Marke Drive, Langenhoe

Cllrs Present - Victoria Weavers – Chair

Alan Frost

James Lambert

Malcolm Mattack

Micheal Summer

Andrew Crayston

Brian Bashford

Also in attendance – CCC Cllrs Parsons and Powling, 5 members of public and Clerk

120/24	Apologies for absence – Cllrs Wormell and Palmer-Slater	
121/24	Announcements The addition to item 127/24 of planning application 242188.	
122/24	Public Questions There were no public questions	
123/24	Declarations of Interest Cllr Lambert declared a non prejudicial interest in item 127/24 as the applicant is a client of his firm.	
124/24	Reports from County and City Cllrs CCC Cllr Parsons reported that a new recycling process will be introduced whereby all recycling other than glass and textiles will be placed into on recycling bin, with the clear plastic bags no longer being used. A black wheelie bin will be provided (where practical) for all other household refuse. CCC Cllr Powling advised that the Rivenhall incinerator will be completed within 2 years which will reduce the amount of waste going to landfill. He explained that the Landfill Trust has funds and any requests should be made soon.	
125/24	Minutes of Council Meeting – 7 th October 2024 The minutes of the meeting as previously circulated were agreed as a true record. Proposed by Cllr Mattack and seconded by Cllr Frost.	
126/24	Matters arising from previous meeting Verify the arrangements for Remembrance Day – Cllr Weavers will lay the wreath in Cllr Wormell’s absence.	Action – Cllr Frost to publicise.

	<p>Langenhoe Primary School will conduct their own act of remembrance on Monday 11th November 2024</p> <p>20s Plenty – the petition has been sent to Cllr Bentley. It was noted that Fingringhoe Road towards the cricket club had not been included in the petition as there is a 40mph speed limit along this road and the petition only applies to areas with a 30mph speed limit.</p>	Action – Cllr Mattack to email ECC Cllr Bentley.																				
127/24	<p>Planning Applications and decisions received.</p> <p>241583 – Land West of Peldon Road – reserved Matters. – The Council have no observations on this application however their comments on the previous application still stand.</p> <p>242188 - Ashpark House, Peldon Road, Abberton Colchester CO5 7PB - Outline application for erection of 2 two storey dwelling houses, one single storey bungalow and the conversion of a residential care home to a dwelling house including the demolition of part thereof. – The Council have no objections.</p>																					
128/24	<p>Correspondence</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Local Government association – confirmation of Pay Agreement 24/25 - noted 2. CCC Cllr Parsons offer of Locality Grant for VAS sign – CCC Cllr Parson requested that the request was submitted by the end of the month. 3. EALC confirmation of Clerk’s training courses – noted. 4. Request from Resident to replace road surface on Mersea Road – it was agreed to refer them to ECC Cllr Cunningham at Highways. 	<p>Cllr Mattack to obtain quotes prior to the FWP meeting on 19th November 2024</p> <p>Clerk to respond to resident.</p>																				
129/24	<p>Finance and Accounts – November 2024</p> <p>The accounts as previously circulated – schedules 011/24 were agreed for payment. Proposed by Cllr Frost and seconded by Cllr Lambert</p> <p><u>Schedule 011/24</u></p> <table style="width: 100%; border-collapse: collapse;"> <tr> <td>Royal British Legion</td> <td style="text-align: right;">£</td> </tr> <tr> <td>50.00</td> <td></td> </tr> <tr> <td>J Knight – grass cutting</td> <td style="text-align: right;">£</td> </tr> <tr> <td>50.00</td> <td></td> </tr> <tr> <td>HMRC</td> <td style="text-align: right;">£</td> </tr> <tr> <td>22.00</td> <td></td> </tr> <tr> <td>A & J Lighting – Streetlight Maintenance</td> <td style="text-align: right;">£</td> </tr> <tr> <td>60.90</td> <td></td> </tr> <tr> <td>Staff costs</td> <td></td> </tr> <tr> <td>£685.71</td> <td></td> </tr> </table>	Royal British Legion	£	50.00		J Knight – grass cutting	£	50.00		HMRC	£	22.00		A & J Lighting – Streetlight Maintenance	£	60.90		Staff costs		£685.71		
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130/24	Bank reconciliation – September 2024																					

	Due the Clerk not having access to the bank statement this will be sent directly to Cllr Mattack.	
131/24	RCCE Rural Exemption Scheme – Cllrs Lambert, Weavers and Frost to form a working party and will liaise with RCCE and Hasloe	
132/24	<p>Review of Policies – the following policies have been reviewed and accepted.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Effectiveness of the Internal Audit • Action Plan • Standing Orders • Media Policy 	Clerk to upload to website.
133/24	<p>Representatives Reports</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Footpaths and tree warden – nothing to report 2. Abberton and Langenhoe Community Association – Solar panels have been installed. The curry night was well attended. The quiz night was a success with 10 teams taking part. Coffee morning every Wednesday 10-12pm. There are still tickets available for 9th November 2024 with music from Crissy Lee. Santa will be visiting the village on 15th December. A recital of A Christmas Carol will take place on 21st December 2024 tickets £10. New Years Eve event. 3. Edward Marke Trust – A 10yd skip of rubbish has been cleared from the allotments. Plots still available 4. Church Matters – nothing to report 5. Grasscutting – nothing to report 6. Neighbourhood Watch – nothing to report 7. Finance Working Party – the FWP will meet on 19th November to consider the budget/precept for 25/26 8. Property Maintenance – Footpath bridge has been replaced. 9. CALC – nothing to report 10. Speedwatch – Cllr Summer has written to CSW regarding whether it would be acceptable to have 2 volunteers carrying out Speedwatch and was told that 3 volunteers were needed. There was no response to the advert in the magazine asking for volunteers. Further volunteers will be sought 11. Highway Issues – nothing to report 12. Parish Magazine – has been delivered. 	
	Date of next meeting – 9 th December 2024	

There being no other business the meeting closed at 8.50pm