

LANGTREE PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF MEETING

9th DECEMBER 2021

Present	Councillors: Geoff Bond Jenny Coles Mark Glover (Chairman) Peter Haselhurst David Ley Pat Mitchell
In attendance	Leigh Pollinger – Parish Clerk 0 members of the public
408	WELCOME AND APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE Apologies received from John Davies, Colin Edworthy, Franklin Tucker, David Hurley, Andrew Saywell.
409	MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING
409.1	Matters Arising <ul style="list-style-type: none">• The idea of having a beacon for the Queen’s celebrations in 2022 has been investigated. A gas beacon can be purchased for around £500 alternatively details of how to construct a beacon have been acquired – but requires a blacksmith. Details of potential blacksmiths were discussed.• A tree in Riverton has fallen into a field but this was not the tree which was previously causing concerns.• The Dragon Hill potholes have been filled in.
409.2	Minutes of meeting held on 11 th November 2021 to be agreed. <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Minutes were proposed by Peter Haselhurst and seconded by David Ley.
410	DECLARATION OF INTERESTS <ul style="list-style-type: none">• No declarations were reported.
411	REPORTS
411.1	Police Community Support Officer <ul style="list-style-type: none">• A report from the PCSO was read out, crime and offences remain low in the area.

411.2	County Councillor No report available.
411.3	District Councillor No report available.
412	PARISH MATTERS
412.1	<p>To discuss the sewage smell impacting properties in Fore Street, Southlands Drive, Parish Hall and Church Lane and determine the best way forward.</p> <p>Peter Haselhurst gave a summary of recent events regarding sewage smells in Fore Street.</p> <p>The council's views were:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • There are regular sewage smells in Fore Street and Church Lane. • A number of comments have been received by all councillors about the occurrence of the smells. • The increase in the number of smells are associated with the new developments in the village, however the council believes that the development has merely contributed to a long standing problem. • The sewers in Langtree are believed to be at least 100 years old, are recognised to be just under the road surface and have over time collapsed or cracked. Therefore they are unable to accept the increased flows from any new developments which results in the sewage backing up and venting into houses and the atmosphere. Until such time as the sewers in the village are replaced or upgraded then the existing problems will continue to the detriment of all residents of the village. • All planning and development in the area should be seriously considered at all times but particularly until such time as the infrastructure has been brought up to a standard where it can cope with increased demands (this applies not only to sewage but other utilities and services also). • A representative (Pat Mitchell) from the Parish Council would like to attend the planned meeting with SWW, TDC environmental health and the developers next week, (The meeting was subsequently postponed).
412.2	<p>To receive an update on the formal transfer of the MUGA to Langtree Parish Hall and Langtree Hall Players (operating organisation).</p> <p>If documentation available: sign off of lease.</p>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Copies of the lease covering the football field, MUGA, and dog walking area have been received by both the Parish Council and the Parish Hall committee. The lease is for 60 years so that it is co-terminus with the lease for the Parish Hall. The responsibility for all costs and income associated with the field becomes the responsibility of the Parish Hall with the exception of payment of the general liability insurance which remains the responsibility of the Parish Council. The assets associated with the field including Devon Air Ambulance Landing Light, Changing Room, Container, Field Maintenance Equipment (primarily mowing machine) and the Multi Use Games Area are transferred to the Parish Hall also. • The above was agreed and the lease documentation was signed by Mark Glover (Chairman) and David Ley (Councillor) and witnessed by Leigh Pollinger (Parish Clerk as Responsible Officer) in accordance with the Parish Council Standing Orders. 						
412.3	<p>To discuss netting between the MUGA and school.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • In order to reduce the number of footballs that are kicked into the school field it is proposed to put up some additional netting. It was agreed that this should not be attached to the MUGA but against the existing school fence. The Parish Council agreed in principle to contribute to the cost via a Section 137 agreement. An amount of £500 was suggested and this will be donated to the MUGA committee when the Section 137 proposals are discussed (February / March 2022). 						
413	PLANNING						
413.1	<p>To consider planning application Ref. No: 1/1324/2021/FUL Erection of a purpose agricultural hay/straw storage shed Land At Grid Reference 247667 115085 Langtree Devon</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • There were no objections. 						
413.2	<p>To consider any other planning applications received between issuing of agenda and meeting.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • There were no other planning applications. 						
414	CLERK'S REPORT AND FINANCE						
414.1	<p>To receive update on financial position at end November 2021</p> <p>The situation at the end of November was:</p> <table border="1"> <tr> <td>Lloyds account</td> <td>£2911.13</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Reserve account</td> <td>£4000.40</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Total</td> <td>£6911.53</td> </tr> </table>	Lloyds account	£2911.13	Reserve account	£4000.40	Total	£6911.53
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414.2	<p>To discuss Parish Council budget for FY 2022/2023</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Councillors were asked to consider any additional expenditure over the normal outgoings for the next financial year as the annual precept will need to be agreed at the next meeting.
414.3	<p>To request approval of BACS Payments and cheques</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No payments are scheduled.
414.4	<p>To review correspondence received.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No correspondence in addition to that already circulated has been received.
415	<p>PUBLIC PARTICIPATION</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • None
416	<p>ANY OTHER ITEMS AT CHAIRMAN'S DISCRETION</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • None • The Chairman wished everyone a happy Christmas and New Year and the meeting closed at 8.40pm.
417	<p>DATE OF NEXT MEETING</p> <p>The next meeting will be held on Thursday 13th January at 7.30pm.</p>