

LANGTREE PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF MEETING

9th FEBRUARY 2023

Present	Councillors: Geoff Bond Colin Edworthy Mark Glover (Chairman) Peter Haselhurst David Ley Pat Mitchell Franklin Tucker Andrew Saywell (DCC)
In attendance	Leigh Pollinger – Parish Clerk 3 members of the public
526	WELCOME AND APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE Apologies have been received from Jenny Coles, John Davies, Melissa Baker, and David Hurley.
527	MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING
527.1	Matters Arising <ul style="list-style-type: none">• The precept request of £9750 has been acknowledged by TDC – the first payment is due in April.• An advert put out on Facebook for Parish Councillors resulted in one person requesting details of what is involved.
527.2	Minutes of meeting held on 12 th January 2023 to be confirmed and signed <ul style="list-style-type: none">• The Minutes were proposed by Peter Haselhurst and seconded by Pat Mitchell.
528	DECLARATION OF INTERESTS <ul style="list-style-type: none">• None were declared.
529	REPORTS
529.1	Police Community Support Officer <ul style="list-style-type: none">• An email report from Melissa Baker was read out.
529.2	County Councillor

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • There are 2500 potholes across Devon with safety defects reported. With the weather improving the number of reports are declining. There are 40 gangs filling in potholes in Devon. • There was a debate regarding two major potholes on the A388 where the gang had filled in one pothole but appeared to have ignored another which was only some 20 metres away. Andrew Saywell agreed to investigate. • If there are requests to shut roads for Coronation parties then these should be sent to DCC urgently. • The 2023/24 budget has seen an uplift across most DCC departments although these are impacted by inflation. • Next years budget for Children’s services will be £208m and Adults £340m. It was reported that Adult Social Care in Devon is the highest performing in the country which is not the case for Children. • The new Chief Executive has started.
529.3	District Councillor <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No report this month.
530	PARISH MATTERS
530.1	Any matters concerning the football field / MUGA that may impact the Parish Council. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The council’s solicitors are still awaiting information from the Parish Hall solicitors. They are being chased up.
530.2	Other matters impacting the parish. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No other matters were notified.
531	PLANNING
531.1	Prior notification for the change of use of agricultural building to 1 no. dwelling house and associated building operations under Class Q Agricultural Building At Grid Reference 245310 114979 Langtree Devon Ref. No: 1/0082/2023/AGMB <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No objections.
531.2	Proposed demolition of barn and erection of bungalow. Land Adjacent Fair View Latch Lane Langtree Torrington Devon EX38 8NQ Ref. No: 1/0042/2023/FUL <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No objections although there was consideration of the narrow access to this property.

531.3	<p>Proposed roof extension to existing silage clamp. Homelea Farm Langtree Torrington Devon EX38 8NB Ref. No: 1/0106/2023/FUL</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No objections. 						
531.4	<p>Any updates on potential planning application for land at The Crescent, Langtree.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • There is no further information available and unlikely to be until August 2023. However it was agreed to keep this item on the agenda as a reminder. 						
531.5	<p>To consider any other planning applications received between issuing of agenda and meeting.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No other planning applications have been notified. 						
532	CLERK'S REPORT AND FINANCE						
532.1	<p>To receive update on financial position at end January 2023. The position at the end of January was:</p> <table border="1"> <tr> <td>Lloyds account</td> <td>£2,029</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Reserve account</td> <td>£6,506</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Total</td> <td>£8,535</td> </tr> </table> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • We paid DALC £42.00 covering the Clerks attendance at the DALC annual general meeting and conference. • No income was received during the month 	Lloyds account	£2,029	Reserve account	£6,506	Total	£8,535
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532.2	<p>To request approval of BACS Payments and cheques.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • None at this time 						
532.3	<p>To agree any Section 137 allocations.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • It was agreed to gift £100 to each of the following: Parochial Church Council; Torrington Methodist Church; Langtree Community Garden; Langtree WI. 						
532.4	<p>To review correspondence received.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • None received that has not been previously circulated. 						
533	PUBLIC PARTICIPATION						
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • None 						

<p>534</p>	<p>ANY OTHER ITEMS AT CHAIRMAN’S DISCRETION</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Franklin Tucker pointed out that children are running across the junction of the A388 beside the Union Inn to get to the bus stop. As this is a blind corner, he felt that something needs to be done – to be reported to DCC Highways. • There was extreme frustration of the state of Putshole Lane which is recognised as a major HGV route and identified as a priority road through the parish. The councillors requested that a meeting be held with the County Councillor and the head of Highways on site to show them the damage to the road and impact on traffic. • It was pointed out that HGV’s appear to be using Dragon Lane more frequently – is this to avoid Putshole Lane? • The street light outside of the Old School Hall is not working. • The meeting closed at 20.30.
<p>535</p>	<p>DATE OF NEXT MEETING</p> <p>The date of next meeting is Thursday 9th March 2023.</p>