# Langrish Parish Council

# Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting of Langrish Parish held at Langrish House on Monday 28<sup>th</sup> January 2020 at 7.30pm

**Present**: Rosemary Hopewell, Ian Wesley, Nigel Talbot-Ponsonby, Ian Blackwell, Steve Tuff, Rob Moccatta, the Clerk and 6 members of the public

- 1. Apologies for absence were received from Debbie Luff
- 2. Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting on 11<sup>th</sup> November 2019 were approved and signed
- 3. Matters arising from the Minutes No matters arising
- 4. Declarations of Interest No declarations made.

### 5. Planning Applications

a) SDNP/19/05439/HOUS Strawberry Cottage Winchester Road Dropped kerb to allow parking in front garden. IW and RH made a site visit. The application was fully supported b) SDNP/19/06486/LIS The White House Winchester Road Listed building consent – take down the gable and single skin wall on west side of garage and rebuild a cavity wall over new footings. It was agreed that no opinion would be expressed on behalf of the parish council and the decision should be left to the authorities

c) Lime Kiln Cottage Pre-Application. IW was concerned that the advice provided for the swimming pool, which had previously been turned down, was that no permission was required. After some communication with officers the advice was amended to the proposed orangery which did not require permission.

At this point the members of the public were invited to speak.

The members of the public expressed their very serious concerns about the lack of standing room beside the bus stop on the westbound carriageway of the A272. There is only standing room for 1 or possible 2 people, on 2 paving slabs, when around 5 or 6 children get off the school bus in the afternoon. They must wait for the bus to leave and the traffic to subside before being able to cross the road to the houses. The only place to stand is on the bank, which has been slippery all winter. The A272 trunk road is not wide at this point and cars parked on the side of the road are frequently damaged. The accident waiting to happen would be if a child slipped into the road. They asked for the waiting area to be increased significantly and for a "children crossing" sign.

- 6. IT and Broadband IW reported that the rollout of superfast broadband in Ramsdean had started; 5 installations had been completed and another 7 were scheduled in the next 2 weeks. The Friends of Langrish and Ramsdean Facebook group has 68 members and the parish council email address list had now reached 104.
- 7. Ramsdean Report On behalf of DL, RH reported that the fencing around the parking area on Ramsdean Greed, due to be carried out by Highways had not been started. The Clerk will chase this up.

#### 8. Report on Langrish Meadow

IB reported that the new sign had gone up on the Meadow, no problems had arisen from the playground inspections but there was a considerable amount of litter particularly in the car parking spaces. RM recommended several funding sources to cover some of the cost of the hedge laying.

# 9. Roads

- a) Lay-by Langrish Hill the residents present ask for the Parish Council's support, as there are only 3 small parking spaces in the lay-by on the West bound side of the A272. These are the only spaces for all the houses on the opposite side of the road. The problem is that the space available is too narrow and cars parked there are being regularly hit and written off by vehicles driving on the A272. The solution, which has been discussed before, is to increase the width of the parking area by cutting into the bank. RM offered to meet with Andrew Wood to find a solution. IB would also speak to Gary Hodgson with the intention of moving the SLR to Langrish Hill, as a temporary measure
- b) All agreed that the unpopular chevrons on Bordean Hill were now in a disgracefully untidy state. RM said that he had already reported this to two relevant parties. RM, IB and RH hope to attend the CAMs Group meeting.
- c) The storm drains on C28 between Ham Lane and Home Farm are blocked and a motorcyclist came off his bike having slipped on the frozen water. The Clerk was asked to report a pothole and a loose manhole cover.

# 10. Footpaths and Rights of Way ST reported on the following

- a) The Ramsdean to East Meon By-way, Fiveways, is now in an excellent condition
- b) The rails beside the steps on Langrish 20 had now been completed by the Lengthsmen
- c) 5 new kissing gates will replace stiles on Langrish 21 and 8. ST commented that HCC had been very helpful.
- d) ST will survey all the footpaths in the parish for 2020
- **11.** Lengthsman the lengthsmen will be asked to sort out the moss problems on the pavement beside the A272, remove the dead tree on the Green and to clean up around the bus shelter opposite Langrish House, put some preservative on the cedar and when necessary remove the nettles and other weeds from in and around the shelter.
- **12. Reeds Meadow Sewage** the Clerk had reported to Radian that raw sewage was leaking through the wall below the Reeds Meadow houses and spreading across the parking spaces and flowing into the clean water storm drain. Radian confirmed that there was a problem with the system and the alarm was not acted on due to the Christmas break.
- **13. VE Day Celebrations** It was agreed that the parish council would not be organising a celebration

#### 14. Financial Matters

- a) The financial statement was circulated prior to the meeting and was agreed.
- b) The following cheques, highlighted in the financial statement, were agreed and signed.
- c) The budget was agreed at increased rate of

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	Langrish House	£25

#### 15. Report from the District and County Councillor Cllr Mocatta reported that

- a) Petersfield Library should not be closing. RM would like to encourage people to complete the consultation form.
- b) EHDC's Council Tax will be increased by 2%, which will be spent on a welfare fund.
- **16. EHAPTC report** RH did not have an EHAPTC report but she had attended the Tree Warden meeting.
- 17. Correspondence Nothing further to report
- **18.** Any other Business ST suggested conducting a demographic survey of the parish.
- **19.** Date of next meeting will be on Monday 9<sup>th</sup> March at 7.30pm.