

Langrish Parish Council

Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting of Langrish Parish held at Langrish House on Monday 11th November 2019 at 7.30pm

Present: Rosemary Hopewell, Ian Wesley, Nigel Talbot-Ponsonby, Debbie Luff, Ian Blackwell, Steve Tuff, Rob Moccatta and the Clerk

1. **Apologies for absence** All present
2. **Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting on 9th September 2019** were approved and signed
3. **Matters arising from the Minutes**
 - a) NTP asked if the lengthsman could be reminded to remove the ivy from the oaks on Langrish Hill.
 - b) The defibrillator pads had arrived and the ambulance service will be made aware of a change of guardian.
4. **Declarations of Interest** No declarations made.
5. **Planning Applications**
 - a) A member of the public reported to the council on his struggles with the planning department at EHDC. He had not received the guidance he had hoped for and the costs had double due to the delay and the requested extras.
 - b) IW reported that there were no new applications
 - c) Pre-application advice had been sort for a drop kerb at Strawberry Cottage and a swimming pool at Lime Kiln Cottage
6. **IT and Broadband** IW reported that the Facebook group has 63 members and the Friends of Langrish and Ramsdean email addresses were now numbered 105. IW said that broadband was not yet working in Ramsdean and he though that the year end deadline was not unlikely to be met.
7. **Ramsdean Report** DL reported that she and the Clerk had met with 2 Highways engineers to discuss options for the parking on Ramsdean Green. It was agreed that Highways would replace and extend the post and rail behind the parking, which should add another couple of spaces.
8. **Report on Langrish Meadow**
 - a) Having just received the new playground sign IB will now install it. He reported that there was a loose rail on the kissing gate.
 - b) Andrew Birnie had taken a look at the hedge and had recommended it to be left for another year. As this might be a substantial cost to the parish council it was recommended that grant applications should be submitted at the earliest opportunity.
9. **Roads**
 - a) Road damage on Bordean Hill had been reported to Highways but not yet been repaired.
 - b) It was again reported that the white lines outside Gardener's Cottage had worn away.
10. **Footpaths and Rights of Way** ST reported on the following
 - a) The lengthsman had strimmed back the vegetation on the footpath at the Close.
 - b) It is expected that on 18th November work will be done to Footpath 20 Ramsdean to North Stroud Lane. ST is in communication with HCC Rights of Way team regarding the stiles on footpath 21.

11. **Lenthsmen** RH asked for the dead tree to be removed from Langrish Green
12. **VE Day Celebrations** The Councillors were reminded that Friday 8th May 2020 will be a Bank Holiday for the VE celebrations. RH suggested that the Friends and the Parish Council organise a joint celebration. It was agreed that there was a need to celebrate. A small working party would be put together to organise this.

13. Financial Matters

- a) The financial statement was circulated prior to the meeting and agreed.
- b) The following cheques, highlighted in the financial statement, were agreed and signed.
- c) The budget was amended to accommodate an increase to the Clerk's salary and an increase to £2000 for Langrish Meadow maintenance.

Helen Marsh	£592.00
Portsmouth City Council	£79.73
Langrish House	£25

14. **Report from the District and County Councillor** Cllr Mocatta reported that
- a) Although the new waste collection contractors collect from 50,000 houses there were only 100 reports in the first week of bins not being emptied.
 - b) Amongst a series of consultations there is a consultation on libraries. He was sure Petersfield Library would be safe as it was well used.
 - c) 30 new signs for the National Park are being commissioned following enthusiastic public feedback for the existing signs.
15. **EHAPTC report** RH gave this report from the meeting
- a) Inspector Korine Bishop gave an update on rural policing and the Country Watch Team. RM added that the main priority is rural burglary.
 - b) Philippa Drummond, Police and Crime Commissioner would like to attend Parish Meetings.
16. **SDNP Workshop** RH said that the main topics were South Downs Local Plan, CIL and S106.
17. **Meeting Dates for 2020** The January 2020 meeting date will be moved to Tuesday 28th January assuming this was acceptable to Langrish House. The dates for the rest of 2020 were agreed and will be published.
18. **Correspondence** Nothing further to report
19. **Any other Business**
20. **Date of next meeting** will be on TUESDAY 28TH JANUARY at 7.30pm.

There being no further business the meeting closed at 8.58 pm.