



KINGS LANGLEY PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES of the Council Meeting held on Tuesday 2nd July 2019 at Rucklers Lane Hall, Rucklers Lane, Kings Langley.

Present: Cllrs Anderson, Angiolini (Vice-Chair), Button (Chair), De Silva, Hubberstey, Johnson, McLean and Rogers.

Also Present: Mr Paul Dunham, Clerk to the Council.

1. Apologies for Absence.

1.1 Cllrs Collins and Morrish.

2. Declarations of Interest.

2.1 None.

3. Public Participation.

3.1 There were no members of the public present.

4. Police Matters and Other Services.

4.1 PCSO Ian Martin was unable to be present but had provided the following information on the reported on the 6 crimes recorded during June 2019, as follows:

| Reported Crime | Incidence | Details |
|--------------------------|------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Theft from Motor Vehicle | 1 | Kings Langley Common – theft of number plates (noticed at The Common, but may have occurred elsewhere) |
| Damage or destroy <£5k | 2 | Coniston Road – van had door drilled – may have been attempted theft Five Acres – car “keyed” whilst parking to attend carnival |
| Theft - other | 2 | Texaco – making off without payment Plumber suspected of stealing jewellery from house |
| Other crimes | 1 | Hempstead Road – car pulled over – 2 small packs of cannabis found |
| Total | 6 | |

4.1.1 Cumulative and average data was also provided.

4.1.2 There had been 11 recorded crimes in the previous month (May).

4.1.2 Cllr Anderson asked for his thanks to be recorded for the police attendance at a meeting at the Community Centre the previous Friday and at the carnival.

4.2 Neighbourhood Watch.

4.2.1 Additional recruitment had been taking place on Facebook.



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4.2.2 “OWL” Communications.

4.2.2.1 No further reports.

4.3 Other Matters.

4.3.1 None.

5. Hertfordshire County Council Matters (1).

5.1 Highways Matters.

5.1.1 No updates.

6. Minutes of Previous Meeting(s) held on 4th & 18th June 2019.

6.1 It was proposed, seconded and RESOLVED that:

The minutes of the meeting held on 4th & 18th June 2019 be adopted as a true record.

6.2 The Chair then signed the Minutes.

7. Matters Arising.

7.1 None.

8. Reports.

8.1 Standing Committees.

8.1.1 Planning & Licensing Committee.

8.1.1.1 The minutes of the meeting held on 16th April and 21st May 2019 were adopted as a true record.

8.2 Chair’s Reports.

8.2.1 It was noted that the amount of litter at the carnival this year seemed to be greater than ever, which was probably an indicator of its success.

8.3 Reports from Chairs of other Committees / Groups.

8.3.1 None.

8.4 Clerk’s Report / Action List.

8.4.1 The Clerk reported that the formal accounts paperwork for 2018-19 had been submitted to the External Auditors.

8.5 Village Warden’s Activities, Priorities and Planning.

8.5.1 The Clerk reported that the warden and Cllrs Johnson and Hubberstey had been busying themselves in the village garden.

9. Finance Matters

9.1 Schedule of Payments for June 2019.

9.1.1 It was proposed, seconded and RESOLVED:



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That the payment schedule for June 2019 in the sum of £15,759.58 be adopted, and that the Clerk be authorised to issue the appropriate payments.

9.1.1.2 The Chair then signed the schedule of payments.

9.2 Examination and signing of the Council’s Bank Account Statements (as at 31st May 2019).

9.2.1 The Chair examined the Council’s bank account statements and signed a statement to that effect on behalf of the Members that the balances as at 31st May 2019 were:

| | |
|--------------------------|-------------|
| Current Account: | £5,000.00 |
| Reserve Account: | £174,841.06 |
| NS&I Investment Account: | £45,176.06 |

9.3 Installation of Power Hub in the High Street – to pass a resolution to approve the expenditure / suspend Standing Orders - Financial Regulation 8.1 (Procurement). Because of its urgency, this item had been informally agreed at the meeting of 4th June 2019.

9.3.1 It was proposed (Cllr Button), seconded (Cllr Angiolini) and RESOLVED:

That Standing Orders – Financial Regulation 8.1 (Procurement) be suspended on the basis that there is only a single viable supplier and on urgency, and that the informal approval of expenditure of £2,529 with UK Power Networks, on the above, be confirmed.

9.4 Kings Langley Women’s Institute (KLWI) – request for financial assistance

9.4.1 Cllr Johnson introduced this item, which, although not on the agenda, was allowed because of its urgency. The KLWI was seeking assistance to purchase a tree and plaque, to plant in the village garden, to commemorate its centenary.

9.4.2 It was proposed, seconded and RESOLVED:

That the KLWI be granted £75 for the above project.

10. Dacorum Borough Council and Hertfordshire County Council Matters.

10.1 Dacorum Borough Council.

10.1.1 Cllr Anderson reported on the following topics:

- Health in Dacorum / New hospital for West Herts
- Housing & Communities – Social Housing / houses being adapted for the disabled – 300 in transition because of differences in needs
- Plastics in rubbish
- Climate emergency – Cllr Anderson to produce a statement
- Air quality Management Plan. Cllr McLean added that he had recently some street CO2 extractors
- Reviewing waste disposal / amount still going to landfill



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10.1.2 Notification of Public Space Protection Order – Dog Control Order (2019).
The Order was welcomed and noted and that these would be added to the Byelaws for Kings Langley.

10.2 Hertfordshire County Council Matters (not requiring the presence of Cllr Roberts).

10.2.1 None.

11. Members Items / Reports and Questions (not included elsewhere).

11.1 Portfolios.

It was agreed that this section would be re-structured to reflect the activities of the Parish / Neighbourhood Plan. Geographical areas will continue to be reported upon as before.

11.1.1

| Parish / Neighbourhood Plan | Member / Group Chair |
|------------------------------------|-----------------------------|
| Neighbourhood Plan | Cllr Morrish |
| Parish Plan – Environment Group | Cllr Button |
| Parish Plan – Leisure Group | Cllr Hubberstey |
| Parish Plan – Transport Group | Cllr McLean |

Cllr Hubberstey reported that the Leisure group had identified over 100 activities in the area but that there was a distinct lack of awareness. He had been compiling a contact list from the many already in existence and there were 800 entries. A way would need to be found to maintain this if that was what the Council wished to do.

Parking in Kings Langley remained a very strong issue.

11.1.2

| Geographical area | Member |
|-------------------------------------------------------|-----------------|
| Abbots Rise area | Cllr Angiolini |
| The Common, Vicarage Lane / Langley Hill / Great Park | Cllr Button |
| Hempstead Road areas | Cllr Collins |
| Blackwell Road area | Cllr De Silva |
| London Road area | Cllr Hubberstey |
| Watford Road and Coniston Road areas | Cllr Johnson |
| Rucklers area | Cllr Morrish |
| High Street area | Cllr Rogers |

11.2 Litter picks (Cllr Johnson).

11.2.1 The next one is scheduled for the 28th July.

11.3 Parish Plan.

11.3.1 Cllr Morrish was not present – see above.

11.4 Sundial proposal.

11.4.1 No update.



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12. Kings Langley Parish Council Representatives on Outside Bodies.

12.1 Transition in Kings (TIK).

12.1.1 Nothing to report.

12.2 Parish Paths Partnership (PPP).

12.2.1 Nothing to report.

12.3 Kings Langley Community Association.

12.3.1 Nothing to report.

12.4 Others.

12.4.1 None.

13. High Street Surgeries.

13.1 The next surgery was scheduled for 17th August.

14. Other Matters.

14.1 “VE Day 75”. Members asked that this item remained on the agenda until further information became available.

15. Any Other Business.

15.1 Cllr Johnson reported that All Saints’ Church was having a tidy up session around the church on the 13th July from 9:30 to 11:30 and that it might be beneficial to the Council to support it.

15.2 Cllr Angiolini had had to leave the meeting early to care for his wife who was unwell. Cllr Button asked for approval to purchase some flowers for her. £50 from the Chair’s Allowance was agreed.

15.3 The Clerk informed Members that he and the Administrative Assistant would be absent from work on Friday the 12th July, but arrangements had been made to ensure that any inconvenience to the public and hall users etc was minimised.

15.4 Cllr Anderson announced that there would be an extraordinary meeting of the Rucklers Lane Hall Association on Friday the 26th July.

Meeting close at 21:15