

Langtoft Parish Council

Minutes to a meeting of the above Council held on Monday 15th January 2024
at 7.30pm at Langtoft Bowls Club, Front Street, Langtoft

**Present: Cllr M Rowland (Chairman); Cllr G Scaife (Vice Chair);
Cllrs M Higgins; C Weston; C Warren; D Leach; A Robinson; H Huffington;
J Hall and Sandra Morrison (Parish Clerk)**

975. Chairman's welcome -Before the meeting progressed the Chair raised the issue of a recent email that had been sent to the clerk, by Cllr Scaife, but circulated to all members. The chair felt that the email was disrespectful in its tone, and bearing in mind that the council had already lost two clerks then should this continue and further emails of this nature be sent, then the matter would be dealt with as a formal agenda item.

976. To receive Apologies for Absence – Cllrs D Warren and R Jackman

977. To received Declaration of Interest from members on any items on the agenda – none

978. Open Forum - To resolve that the meeting be temporarily suspended for a period of public participation.- no members of the public present

979. Ward Councillors Report and Outstanding Issues no members present

980. Minutes: to adopt the minutes of the meeting held on 28th November 2023 and extra ordinary meeting 18th December 2023. It was proposed by Cllr Weston and seconded by Cllr Leach that subject to amendment on the provisional meeting dates, the minutes of the meeting of the 28th November 2023 be accepted as a true record. Resolved. Cllr Scaife objected on points of accuracy as items minuted were not on the agenda.

Corrected provisional meeting dates for 2024, which may be subject to change if circumstances arise, are 19/02;18/03;15/04;20/05; 17/06;15/07;16/09;21/10;18/11

It was proposed by Cllr Higgins and seconded by Cllr Robinson that the minutes of the extra ordinary meeting held on the 18th December 2023 be accepted as a true record. Resolved.

981. Branching Out Tree Fund application. Proposed by Cllr Weston to withdraw this application as insufficient information was available to meet the criteria, and that going forward a working group should be set up to draw up a planting plan for the village, in readiness for when appropriate funding becomes available. Seconded by Cllr C Warren. Resolved

982. Highways

1. Update on list of issues as discussed at previous meeting – no further progress as yet. Clerk advised that the damaged Scarborough Road signage will not be replaced until the new financial year due to lack of funds.
2. The drain at the level crossing is still full of water. Clerk to report to ERYC.
3. The drain cover outside 1 Church Lane/Scarborough Road is loose and rattling. Clerk to report to ERYC.
4. To discuss and agree proposal of submitting a request to ERYC for Front Street to have a speed restriction of 20mph. A survey has been delivered to every property. 50 have

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been returned so far with 47 supporting the idea. Proposed by Cllr Weston and seconded by Cllr Hall that the Clerk do contact ERYC and pursue. Cllr Scaife abstained.

983. Playground.

- a) The playground has been flooded 3 times in the last few months, due to excessive rainfall. Water is however draining quite well, so no remedial action to be taken at present and situation to be monitored.
- b) Moles are an issue, at the moment, but treatment is in progress.
- c) Paint for swing frames is now in hand, working group of Cllr Rowland and Cllr Warren to do the work.
- d) The peeling gold paint on the playground ornamental gates is now almost repaired, with just one section needing attention.

984. Finance

- a. To approve accounts and bank reconciliation to date- proposed Cllr Higgins seconded Cllr Robinson. Resolved
- b. To approve payments as per schedule 2. Proposed Cllr Weston seconded Cllr Higgins. Resolved
- c. To approve payment of expenses re Chairmans Allowance £50. Proposed Cllr Hall seconded Cllr Robinson. Resolved
- d. To approve retrospective payment of renewal of Parish Council Website Invoice 2511 £228. Proposed Cllr Higgins seconded Cllr Robinson. Resolved

985. Cemetery - to approve either safe removal of a fallen headstone or repair and reinstallation. Whilst distant relatives of the deceased have now been located, the plot owner has not. A note to be put on the grave, and the clerk to contact local memorial masons for the cost of removing the headstone. Matter to be brought back to the next meeting.

986. Correspondence – to note correspondence received since the last meeting and to agree responses/actions

- I. Driffield Parish & Town January News Release – circulated
- II. Devolution survey for completion – circulated
- III. Invitation to respond to the Draft Sustainable Transport SPD Update Consultation- circulated

987. To receive update on proposed summer event including funding applications and agree to forward booking of marquee.

It was proposed by Cllr Higgins and seconded by Cllr Leach that the event date for 2024 be agreed as 20-21 July. Resolved

It was proposed by Cllr Hall and seconded by Cllr Robinson that the Parish Clerk Sandra Morrison be authorised to submit a full application for funding to the UKSPF for the procurement of the Council's own equipment for the Summer Event. Resolved

Meeting closed 8.35 pm

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Chairman

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