

Langsett Parish Council
Minutes of the Meeting of Langsett Parish Council
held at The Barn, Langsett on Monday 11th September 2023 at 7.00pm

Present: Cllr Peter Horner (Chair), Cllr Linda Taylor, Cllr Dean Furniss, Cllr Lynn Hammond, Cllr Kate Wood, Mr C Farrell (National Highways), 2 residents and Avril Sturdy (Clerk & RFO)

23/24 -045 Welcome to new Parish Councillor

The Chairman welcomed Cllr Kate Wood, who had been co-opted onto Langsett Parish Council.

The Chairman also welcomed Mr Farrell representing National Highways.

The Parish Council wish to pass on condolences to Mrs Sedgwick, following the death of Steve Sedgwick. Mr Sedgwick was a past Councillor of Langsett Parish Council, and his commitment to Langsett will be missed.

23/24 -046 Apologies for absence

There were apologies for absence received Ward Cllr Lowe-Flello.

23/24 -047 Declarations of interest

None received

23/24 -048 Minutes of the meetings held on Tuesday 27th June and Tuesday 25th July 2023

It was **resolved** that the minutes be approved and signed by the Chairman.

23/24 -049 Matters arising from the previous minutes

None raised.

23/24 -050 National Highways proposed schemes for the A616 in Langsett Parish

Resolved: to open the meeting to residents to take part in this agenda item

The Chairman welcomed Mr Farrell, National Highways, to discuss proposals for the A616 in Langsett Parish.

The section of the BMBC Boundary walk at Underbank allowing pedestrians, cyclists and horse riders to cross the A616 is set to open early next year. There was concern regarding the safety of horse riders in particular using this crossing. Mr Farrell confirmed that the British Horse Society had been involved over the past 4/5 years in the design and use of the crossing. Mounting blocks to be included to encourage dismounting to cross. It was suggested that National Highways look at the speed limit on the A616 leading up to the horse crossing. It was suggested that a demonstration might be organised to give reassurance to potential users.

The introduction of the Village Gateway Schemes on the A616 / A628 which will implement larger Gateway Signs, and some changes to speed limits in certain areas is proposed for the 2025-2030 period. This will include improved road markings on the A616, rumble strips and pushing out speed limits would be considered.

There was discussion around uncontrolled pedestrian crossing schemes in Langsett, and safety issues. Cllr Hammond referred to the many requests from the Parish Council to implement a crossing at the Flouch car park to safely cross the A616, and again requested that National Highways look at this issue.

A resident raised a question regarding resurfacing required on the A616 and also to trim the vegetation around the Uskers Barn area to allow a clearer line of sight. Mr Farrell will check the situation.

The condition of the Flouch roundabout was raised again, and it was suggested that, in order to save money and improve line of sight, the roundabout should not be planted but just regularly trimmed.

A question was raised as to whether residents should be notified well in advance of proposed roadworks which affect residents' access/egress to their properties. Notification should be given and if there is an issue, and it needs to be investigated, the Clerk to send details, if provided, to Mr Farrell.

23/24 -051 Public Participation

None

23/24 -052 Planning Applications received since the agenda was produced

None received.

Notice of Appeal : 2022-034 Land off Mortimer Road, Midhopstones, S36 4GW: Outline application for erection of community facility and café. Original application refused. The application has now gone to appeal before the Planning Inspectorate . **Resolved:** the Parish Council's original concerns remain especially with regard to potential parking issues in the location, and the Clerk to confirm to BMBC Planning that original concerns remain.

23/24 -053 Planning Applications received between meetings

2023/0665 Little Doubting Farm, Langsett - Erection of menage

Resolved: The Parish Council has no comments but just raised a question re the brightness of the surfacing

23/24 -054 Information on previous planning applications (decisions by BMBC)

Approved:

2022/0981 Aldermans Head Manor : flood storage ponds

2023/0109 Langsett Flouch car park : payment machine, camera and reduced height ANPR pole

2023/0272 Langsett Flouch Car Park : Proposed entrance sign

2023/0413 Land alongside Bridge Lane Brook, Langsett: Creation of wildlife pond

Under consideration:

2023/0665 Little Doubting Farm, Langsett : Erection of menage

23/24 -055 Items to bring to the attention of BMBC Neighbourhood Services

Litter bin on Gilbert Hill damaged had been reported to BMBC. No update received.

23/24 -056 Litter Pick

Resolved: Litter Pick arranged for Saturday 4th November. Yorkshire Water Rangers to be invited.

Langsett Barn to be booked for drinks afterwards with the opportunity for residents to meet with the Parish Council, and Yorkshire Water Rangers if available.

23/24 -057 Footpaths and Public Rights of Way Issues

Yorkshire Water team have cut down overgrown trees on path reported earlier.

Resolved: Advise BMBC that the bridlepaths by the telephone mast on the A628 were overgrown, (may be Yorkshire water land).

23/24 -058 Yorkshire Water Rangers Team

Resolved: as previously agreed invite the Yorkshire water Rangers Team to the litter pick on 4th November but also to the Parish Council meeting on Monday 13th November. The Parish Council will also invite Mr Harvey and/or Mr Coddington to the Parish Council meeting to discuss the remit of the Rangers and future plans, including Parish Council projects.

23/24 -059 Roads, Transport and Parking

No further issues reported.

23/24 -060 Parish Council Forthcoming Projects

Suggestions included potentially working with Yorkshire Water on a picnic area by the pond, clearing areas around bilberry bushes, a litter pick event, Parish newsletter. Cllr Wood suggested a children's nature trail. **Resolved:** contact Yorkshire Water to discuss.

23/24 -061 Parish Council Newsletter

Resolved: The Chairman will meet with the Clerk to discuss items to go into the Christmas newsletter.

23/24 -062 Peak District National Park Authority correspondence

None received.

23/24 -063 Penistone Area Team and BMBC correspondence

None received.

23/24 -064 Finance and Accounts

64.1 The Clerk confirmed that the Annual Accounts of Langsett Parish Council have been accepted by the external Auditor

64.2 The Account of the Internal Auditor received. **Resolved:** The invoice for £120.00 approved for payment.

64.3 VAT has been reclaimed to the sum of £117.54.

64.4 Pensions Regulator – The Clerk has completed the necessary paperwork with regard to the Parish Council's pensions requirements.

64.5 **Resolved:** The payments and income in accordance with the Parish Council budget as noted below were approved:

Income

VAT reclaim £117.54

Interest (30 June 2023) £0.88

Expenditure

Clerks salary (July and August 2023) as agreed

Clerks expenses inc working from home (July and August 2023) £44.75

Mr Martin Robson (audit fee) £120.00

23/24 -065 Items of correspondence not appearing elsewhere on the agenda

An offer of defibrillator training from NHS Ambulance Service was discussed and it was **resolved** to book a date in early 2024, booking Langsett Barn for the training session.

23/24 -066 Any Other Business not on the Agenda

The Chairman had met with a local resident who had contacted Miriam Cates MP regarding lack of local broadband provision. Locally the provision is lacking even though neighbouring parishes e.g. Midhopstones has Superfast Broadband. Mrs Cates is to investigate options for broadband for Langsett Parish. **Resolved:** The Chairman will continue to attend meetings.

23/24 -067 Matters to be placed on the agenda of the next meeting of the Parish Council

- Newsletter
- Any Christmas activities
- Planning Update
- Broadband update

23/24 -068 Date and Time of Next Meeting

The next meeting of Langsett Parish Council will be held on **Monday 13th November 2023** at 7.00pm at the Barn, Langsett.

Signed:

Chair _____ Clerk _____ Date _____