

LANGCLIFFE PARISH COUNCIL

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Minutes of Langcliffe Parish Council meeting held in the Langcliffe Institute on Monday 4th April 2022 at 7.30pm.

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Councillors present – G. Cross (Chairman), H. Jarvis, I. Johnson, D. Staveley (District & County Councillor), A. Blackburn (Clerk), public present – One.

1/22. Apologies for Absence – B. Croft, J. Bagnall.

2/22. Code of conduct – localism Act 2011

To record any Councillor's disclosable pecuniary interests in relation to any item on this agenda. To consider any change in member's register of interests and discuss any associated dispensations – none received.

3/22. Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on the 7th March 2022.

Council resolved to approve the minutes.

4/22. Matters Arising – Actions

Ref: 143/21 – The Clerk informed Council that the unmetered supplies certificate that E-ON was to provide to npower had not been sent and that he had forwarded the certificate to npower who is to be the new electricity provider for Council. The new certificate highlighted a reduced electricity consumption therefore this should be reflected in future invoices.

144/21 – An email had been received from YDNP Planning requesting Council review the Paley's Barn application C/48/641A as the applicant would be willing to install automatic blinds to the proposed roof lights. Council discussed the proposal and resolved to approve this application amendment. **Action** – Clerk to inform YDNP Planning.

The enquiry in relation to the stables near the railway footbridge was still being investigated by YDNP Planning.

147/21 – The wall at Locks that had been reported to the Environment Agency by Council had now collapsed, EA are aware of the situation.

148/21 – The closing date for the submission of Councillor nominations is 05/04/2022 at 4pm, the Clerk had personally submitted seven nomination packs on behalf of Langcliffe.

5/21. Public Participation.

A planning applicant addressed Council with his intended use of the proposed storage site, this being planning application 2021/23586/FUL (agenda item 10/22). He would answer any concerns that Council had in relation to the retrospective planning application.

The Chairman stating that concern had been raised following the fire at the site in 2021 and what type of materials that could be stored there as it was near two water courses.

The applicant stating that the site is to be general waste with no hazardous substances stored. Cllr Johnson was concerned as to access for emergency services as this could prove difficult, and also the potential for future fires. The applicant stating that there would be no deliberate fires at the site as this had been a mistake on his behalf whilst burning fleeces. Cllr Staveley was concerned as to potential run off into the nearby water courses as these were only 10 metres from the site. The applicant stated that he would be willing to install measures to prevent any run off from the site. Application to be considered later in the meeting.

6/22. District/ County Councillor Report – reports received, distributed to Councillors and placed on the website. Cllr Johnson raised the issue of the £150 Council charge rebate and how it would be administered, Cllr Staveley believed that the money would be administered by CDC via the electronic banking service as it should be the most effective method.

The Hoffman Kiln development had been projected for completion in May 2022 and there could be space for increased development at the site.

7/22. Trees on the Green (maintenance approval)

The Clerk informed Council that approval had been given by YDNP for the pruning of the large trees on the green, Council resolved to approve the maintenance.

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8/22. Street Lamp Electricity (price increase)

The Clerk informed Council that an electricity invoice had been received for December 2021 and that the price of unmetered electricity had risen by 98% since March 2021.

Considering that January to March invoices had still not been received resulting in uncertainty for future street lamp sustainability. The Clerk had projected electricity costings for 2022-23 with the main budgeted items and raised concern if another electricity price hike was to be imposed on Council. The updated electricity certificate as submitted to npower should have an effect from March to alleviate the burden of the large electricity cost.

9/22. AGAR 2021-22 – Certificate of Exemption (approval required)

Council resolved to approve the certificate of exemption as the Council income or expenditure were both under £25,000 for 2021-22. P – H. Jarvis, S – G. Cross.

Action – Clerk to submit to the External Auditor (PKF Littlejohn).

10/22. Craven District Council & Yorkshire Dales National Park Planning.

Craven District Council Planning

2021/23586/FUL – Land to West of Christies Mill, Lodge lane, Langcliffe.

Retrospective – Change of use from Agricultural land to B8 Storage.

Council discussed the application and were concerned as to any contamination that could affect the watercourses.

Council resolved to object to the application:

1. No measures stipulated on the plan to prevent, reduce or mitigate pollution run off into the nearby watercourses.
2. Concern as to the visible nature of the site within the National Park.
3. Poor emergency services access, campsite access only.
4. Concern as to increased traffic along Lodge Lane, Langcliffe.

Action – Clerk to inform CDC Planning.

11/22. Financial Statement & Invoices for Payment.

Council resolved to approve the financial statement and invoices for April.

Action – Clerk to process.

12/22. Correspondence.

Resident concern as to the percentage increase of the precept charge by Langcliffe PC

The Clerk had replied to the resident explaining that the increase was necessary to account for the unexpected cost of the street lamp near the railway bridge £4800, installed in 2018, but invoiced 2021, whereas the lamp installed adjacent to the Bowerley was free of charge.

Also Council projected an increased cost of electricity to 53%.

The increase cost to a band D Council charge - £9/ year.

HSBC banking charge for April £10.21.

Elan City electronic road signs brochure – received.

13/22. Highways, Street Lighting & Maintenance.

Nothing approved for repair.

14/22. The Date of the Next Parish Council Meeting - Monday 16th May 2022.

The Annual Parish Meeting Monday 25th April 2022.

Meeting closed - 8.55pm

Chairman

