

# LANGCLIFFE PARISH COUNCIL

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## Minutes of Langcliffe Parish Council meeting held in Langcliffe Institute on Monday 6th September 2021 at 7.30pm.

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Councillors present – G. Cross (Chairman), B. Fiorato, B. Croft, J. Sugden, I. Johnson, D. Staveley (CDC & NYCC), A. Blackburn (Clerk). Public present – none.

**60/21. Apologies for Absence** – H. Jarvis, J. Bagnall.

### **61/21. Code of conduct – localism Act 2011**

- a) To record any councillor's disclosable pecuniary interests in any item on this agenda.
- b) To consider any changes in members' register of interests.
- c) To consider any dispensations – none received.

### **62/21. Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on the 2<sup>nd</sup> August 2021.**

Council resolved to approve the minutes.

### **63/21. Matters Arising – Actions**

Ref 44/21 – The Yorkshire Dales National Park Planning Authority have stated that the Fairhurst-stone planning application was to be decided following the Environment Agency visit to the site on 02/09/2021.

54/21 – Cllr Cross informed Council that the bench seat down at the river adjacent to Fairhurst-stone had been adopted by Settle Anglers.

55/21 – Cllr Staveley informed Council that an agricultural barn could be converted into a dwelling without formal planning permission through a 'Part Q Policy' in planning regulations. Council expressed alarm that this was the case and that it could open the door for other potential developers.

58/21 – The overhanging shrubs along Howsons Lane were still causing a problem for vehicular traffic. **Action** - Cllr Croft to liaise.

The flag pole line had now been replaced by Cllr Cross with the assistance of a Langcliffe resident.

**65/21. Public Participation.** - nothing received.

### **66/21. District/ County Councillor Report.**

1. Structural changes are required for the implementation of the new Unitary Council, it is expected that boundary changes may be needed with Councillor numbers and representation still to be decided. 2. North Yorkshire is to offer safe homes for Afghan refugees, so far 42 people have been resettled in the County with the help of partnership working by many organisations. 3. Schools will be facilitating face to face teaching again when children return from the annual break. 4. Covid 19 rates across the County remain unchanged and with a new emphasis on vaccinating the younger age groups 16-25yrs.

### **67/21. High Road Boundary Stone.**

Cllr Fiorato informed Council that the Langcliffe/Settle boundary stone located on the High Road was in a poor state of repair and also vegetation overgrowth along the road had not been trimmed back. **Action** – Cllr Staveley to enquire about boundary stone maintenance, Clerk to request Highways tackle roadside maintenance along High Road.

### **68/21. Caravan Site & Large Fire.**

Council discussed the recent large fire near Roberts Paper Mill which attracted numerous calls to the Fire Service & Craven District Council Environmental Health, Council expressed concern about the incident and advise residents to contact the authorities in the event of any other incidents.

### **69/21. HSBC – Banking Charges.**

The Clerk informed Council of future charges imposed by HSBC on the current account from 01/11/2021, including a monthly charge for the account and a 0.4% charge for all cash & cheque transactions. Most Council financial administration is performed via electronic banking where no fee will be charged.

**70/21. Langcliffe Institute – Future PC Meetings.**

Council discussed the issue of having no venue to hold Parish Council meetings following the email from the Institute representative which stated that the hall was to be used for a yoga class. The present situation with Covid 19 precipitates that a suitable space be utilised for an Authority meeting, the PC have been using the large hall in the Institute.

The Chairman proposed that a letter be sent to the Institute Committee describing the situation as unacceptable that Langcliffe residents would have to visit a neighbouring Parish to attend their own Council meeting. **Action** – Clerk to send letter.

**71/21. Platinum Jubilee Celebrations.**

Council deferred this item until February 2022.

**72/21. Planning Applications.**

C/48/625E – Cowside Farm. Langcliffe – Alterations to barns to form 4 dwellings.

Council resolved to approve this application. **Action** – Clerk to inform YDNP Planning, The temporary holiday site application for Lodge Barn was discussed by Council where concern was raised as camping had been observed on a larger scale for a while and without planning permission. The additional issue of Industrialised land without permission was also discussed. **Action** – Clerk to liaise with CDC Planning.

**73/21. Financial Statement & Invoices for Payment.**

Council approved the financial statement and the invoices for September: **Action** – Clerk to process.

**74/21. Correspondence.**

Resident email regarding the PC lighting survey – **Action** – Clerk to reply.

E-ON price increase from 01/09/2021 (Approx £20/month)

North Yorkshire Police & Fire Consultation event High St, Skipton 17/09/2021 & 15/10/2021 10am to 4pm.

The Chairman enquired if any further response had been received from Yorkshire Ambulance Service regarding poor response times for recent incidents, Cllr Staveley to Chair the first working group looking into the impact of large groups of visitors on services within the area, this may result in a further response from the service.

**75/21. Highways & Street Lighting.**

The notice board at Sedgewick View was leaning over and needed repair.

**Action** – Clerk to liaise with contractor.

Pothole reported in the road adjacent to Elwood Cottages. **Action** – Clerk to investigate.

**76/21. The Date of the Next Parish Council Meeting – Monday 4<sup>th</sup> October 2021**