

LANGSTONE COMMUNITY COUNCIL

Meetings of the Council: Finance & Development, Planning and Amenities & Events Committee meetings commence at 7pm, usually on the 2nd Monday of each month, in Langstone Village Hall's Kennett Room. These are followed by a meeting of the Full Council at approximately 7.30pm. **Members of the public are invited to attend** with time specifically allocated on the agenda for public participation. Meeting dates and agendas are published on LCC's noticeboards and on its website.

If you have any issue you would like to raise please come along to a meeting or contact the Clerk (details below). To view full minutes, please go to the council website at www.langstonecommunitycouncil.org.uk. For our Facebook page: Search for "Langstone Community Council"

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Elections

Eight Councillors were elected unopposed to the Council in May. Seven were re-elected from the previous Council and we are pleased to welcome a new Councillor, Maria Williams of Lydia Beynon Gardens, to the Council.

This means that we have four vacancies which the Council can fill by co-option. If you have thought about joining the Council in the past or are just considering it now, contact me for more information and make a difference in your local community!

Youth Representatives

Langstone Community Council is permitted to appoint two Youth Representatives to the Council. They must be aged 16-25 and live in the area. Being a Youth Representative can help young people develop their knowledge, skills and confidence, and is highly valued by educational establishments and employers alike! If you know a young person who would be interested, please contact me for more information.

Road Safety

The Council continues to do all it can to improve road safety in the area. The recent tragic loss of 21 year old Rhiannon Smith in a road traffic incident on the A48 highlights how dangerous our roads can be.

We are attempting (again) to start up a Community Speedwatch scheme, with people throughout the area monitoring and reporting speeding traffic. If you would like to get involved, please contact me.

War Memorial

Construction of the new War Memorial on the A48 near the Coldra Court roundabout commenced in April. By the time this magazine is published it will have been completed and dedicated. The next edition will see an article about the Dedication Day on 3rd June so please look out for that. It would be lovely to see lots of residents at this year's Remembrance Service at our new memorial.

Defibrillators

We have now applied for grant funding to install 4 defibrillators throughout the area. One will be in Llandevaud's old telephone kiosk; one at The Old Barn in Llanmartin; one at The New Inn; and one at The Coldra Court. They will all be kept in unlocked cabinets and will be accessible 24 hours.

In addition, Langstone Primary School now has a defibrillator and the Council donated £500 towards its cost.

Dog Fouling

A pilot scheme was run during March whereby the Community Council paid NCC for its Community Safety Wardens to carry out additional patrols in areas where dog-fouling problems have been identified. A further campaign has been approved and appears to be more necessary now with lighter evenings and better weather encouraging more dog-walking but NOT more picking up of dog poo!

The areas which have been notified to NCC are:

- Tregarn Road (near school)
- Old Chepstow Road & The Glen
- Catsash Road
- Silure Way
- Rosecroft Drive
- Court Meadow
- Poppy Park (in Maplewood)
- Grass between Court Meadow and A48
- Blossom Close
- Priory Way

Please contact me if you identify more problem areas.

Best Kept Village

This year Langstone, Llandevaud and Llanmartin will once again be entering the Best Kept Village competition. For the first time we will be able to enter in the Best Kept Memorial category! Please help by making gardens, churchyards, village halls, verges and footpaths look their best, especially during June when judging takes place.

Heather Jones