

## Minutes of Langstone Community Council Full Council

Tuesday 08/07 2025 at 19:30 PM

Present Councillors: R Bevan, J Bryant, S Davies, J Humphries, L Humphries, R Lewis, B Newport, I

Riley, J Smith.

Also Present: Cllr R Mogford (NCC), Cllr W Routely (NCC) + 4 members of the public

### 25/102 Apologies for Absence

Members received apologies from Cllr's S George, B Sheppard and S Voyle

#### 25/103 Declarations of Interest

Cllr's S Davies and R Bevan declared an interest in item 25/109

# 25/104 Public Questions and Representations

NCC Cllr R Mogford relayed a question from a member of the public regarding the council's use of Langstone Village hall. It was noted that whilst members would be open to using the hall in the future, meetings at Llandevaud Hall had been paid for until May 2026

Members also received a question regarding waterworks around langstone and how these were planned. With particular emphasis on the joined up multi agency approach between NRW, Welsh Water and NCC- members instructed the clerk to write to NCC councillors for an update on these plans.

Action: Clerk to write to NCC cllrs before 15/07

# 25/105 Update from NCC Councillors

Members received update from Cllr Routley on ongoing issues in particular Sheppard Drive, working with police to come up with a traffic management plan. Cllr Routley also reported on a path ownership issue regarding the Grange bus stop and the maintenance surrounding it. Cllr Routley also raised the issue of crossing issues that had been raised by residents and wished to form a working group of members to to look into the issue. The issue of pathways and was raised, in particular the mowing of grass verges. Members asked about the unkempt grass being a fire hazard.

Action: Clerk to write to members calling for volunteers for working group.

# 25/106 Update from Gwent Police

No updates were received.

#### **Minutes**

25/107 Council Meeting: 10 June 2025

- Members voted to accept the minutes of the meeting held 10 June 2025 and these were signed by Cllr S Davies
- ii. There were no matters arising from the minutes

#### 25/108 Finance

 Members received an update on the work of the finance committee and formally ratified the decisions made at the Policy and Finance Committee Meeting held 08/07/2025 including expenditure

#### 25/109 HR and Staffing

 Members ratified the HR decisions made by policy and finance committee held 08/07/2025

#### 25/110 Events, Amenities and Parks

- Request from Cllr R Bevan for funding for tables, chairs and Marquee for use at future events- Members agreed to the request for funding and will release the funds upon receipt of expenses request
- b. Members heard a presentation from Laura Netherway regarding a future event based in the park Ms Netherway is offering to run a party in the park working with Langstone School PTA, the event would run from 12-6 with DJ, BBQ, bouncy castle, crossfit, zumba, penalty shootout and ice cream van with any proceeds going to the school PTA. members heard concerns regarding the parking with the ideas of the village hall and voluntary stewards attending. Also the issues of noise and music were raised, but due to the time of the event would not be seen as an issue. It was also noted that there would be no loss of access to the park during the event as it would be free to attend. Members have agreed to support the event and agreed to earmark £750 to cover the cost of the event.

- 2. To receive an update on parks and amenities
  - a. Cllr I Riley gave update on need for alterations to zpiwire in park, members earmarked the sum of £250 to complete the work.
  - b. Cllr R Bevan gave update on drainage works currently underway at park, work is currently going well however it was noted that the excavated soil is unsuitable to go back after the work is complete and an additional cost of £3,000 will be incurred for the removal of old clay ridden soil and installation of new soil, members agreed to the additional expense. Members also noted concerns over site parking, however noted that there was nothing to be done.
- 3. Members noted the position of the planters and will be updated on the future work.

## 25/111 Planning

- Members noted the two planning applications that had been received, and put forth no objections, and asked the clerk to respond to enquiries from the public regarding Langstone Methodist Chapel.
- 2. no pre planning applications were received by the clerk.

### Community

# 25/112 Langstone Cemetery

Members discussed the current issues facing Langstone Cemetery and noted the public outcry at the current state of affairs. Members raised the issue of a grant that had previously been awarded for the maintenance of the cemetery and churchyard. Members also noted that since complaints were raised a member of the public has cut back the grass.

Action: Clerk to write to previous grant recipient, and ask for an update on the state of play

# 25/113 Policy Updates:

1. Contact Sheet- For members to update contact information.

Action: Clerk to circulate contact sheet for members to update

#### 25/114 Correspondence

No relevant correspondence received.

# 25/115 Seminars and Outside Bodies

The Clerk updated members on the meeting of the NCC Liaison meeting- With members noting the ongoing work of NCC regarding fly tipping and the upcoming work on the boundary review of town and community councils in the NCC area, members noted how the process would look and will be updated at regular intervals. Members are invited to contribute to consultations as individuals when consultations open, and to work with the clerk to produce a corporate response on behalf of the whole council.

# 25/116 Dates of Future Meetings

Members noted the date of future meetings

Date	Meeting
August	Recess (The chair of council reserves the right to convene meetings during this time period where appropriate notice is given)
September (09/09)	Full Council
October (14/10)	Full Council
November (11/11)	Full Council (Clerks Performance Review)
December	Recess (The chair of council reserves the right to convene meetings during this time period where appropriate notice is given)
January (13/01)	Full Council (Precept)
February (10/02)	Full Council
March (10/03)	Full Council
April (14/04)	Full Council
May (12/05)	AGM & Full Council

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