Minutes of Langstone Community Council Full Council

Tuesday 10/02/ 2026 at 19:30 PM

Present Councillors: R Bevan, S Davies, J Humphries, L Humphries, S Voyle, B Newport, S George, R Lewis, I Rile, J Smith

Also Present: 2 members of the public, NCC Cllrs W Routley, Clerk to the Council A Bird

26/015 Apologies for Absence

Members accepted apologies from J Bryant and B Sheppard

26/16 Declarations of Interest

Cllr I Riley declared an interest in item 26/012

26/017 Public Questions and Representations

None submitted.

26/018 Update from NCC Councillors

Cllr W Routley raised issues surrounding a planning application at Byways with the erection of 9 potential new houses, the concerns were related to access on the footpath on the a48 being taken out. Cllr Routley also updated that he was still awaiting updates regarding works to Magor Road and Sheppards Drive. WR also raised issues of potholes highlighting how he was working to prioritise these in an alternative budget for NCC. BN asked WR for clarification over Common Land at Llandevaud. WR to ask Cllr Mogford to update at appropriate time.

26/019 Update from Gwent Police

Update circulated to members prior to meeting

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26/020 Council Meeting: 13 Jan 26

i. Members voted to accept the minutes of the meeting held 13 Jan 2026 and these were signed by Cllr S Davies after being proposed by IR and seconded by RB

ii. Cllr S George provided quotes for a 4 page newsletter version of annual report to go out after council AGM £397 for printing and £70 per 1000 for delivery. Members agreed to revisit after a draft had been produced.

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26/021 Finance

i. 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 10/02/2026 including expenditure and noted that no meeting had been held since

26/022 HR and Staffing

1. Members agreed to the Clerk's annual leave request and agreed to hold a meeting to touch base on staffing arrangements and work structure.

26/023 Events, Amenities and Parks

Members gave the following updates.

1. **Events-** Members were updated that Councillor B Newport would work with Coldra Court Hotel and Newport Male Voice Choir over availability and timings for Christmas concert and members to also consider additional entertainment. Members also agreed to look at arranging the additional summer fete held around the august bank holiday weekend. Both members of the council and members of the public expressed the need for the council to be seen to be supporting local events rather than trying to be overambitious with their own programme of events. Cllr George agreed to the possibility of once again supporting the school's summer event where members would have a stall.
   Action: BN to speak to Choir and Hotel, SG to talk to school.

2. **Parks and amenities**- RB updated that a post inspection had taken place at the park it highlighted a number of low and medium priorities including cable weight, raising the seat and tightening the cable on the zip wire. Repairs to gates, matting, netting and benches were also mentioned. Cllr Bevan also highlighted the need for additional drainage, and would provide quotes for members at the next meeting. Members agreed to suspend financial regulations to allow for only one quote. RB also agreed to arrange for PSPO signage to be put up in the park, members also noted the idea of painting signage on walk ways.
   Action: RB to provide quotes.

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3. **Planters-** Members noted that NCC had done the remaining planters and that the community maintained ones were also done, and that vouchers for these had been purchased

26/024 Planning

1. Members raised concerns over planning application 26/0033 which was a proposed stable block for horses and retention of hardcore surface, fencing, gates and access, the concerns were over the change of use from agricultural land to equestrian land and that Hardcore had gone in prior to planning consent going in.
2. no pre planning applications were received by the clerk.

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26/025 Seminars and Outside Bodies

1. Members noted the NCC liaison committee meeting would take place on the 26th February

26/026 Highways and Footpaths: Langstone Court Road

Cllr L Humphries updated members of NCC councillor W Routely's road safety committee aiming to provide crossings on the a48. LH also raised the issue of the bus stop at Langstone crematorium and asks that the council petition Newport City Council and Newport Transport to reinstate the stop. LH then went on to update about the state of the pavement along Magor Road, towards the Old Barn pub citing the need for the pavement to be cleared from Ford Farm to Old Barn

J Smith also updated on WRs bid for zebra crossings and asked the council for support, the council agreed but wants to fully identify sites especially close to bus stops. JS also asked for support in urging NCC to clear cycleways.

26/027 Items for future meetings

No Items were tabled although members noted that the clerk would be available if anything occurred prior to the next meeting.

26/028 Dates of Future Meetings

Members noted that the next meeting will be 10/03

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