

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF BILLINGTON AND LANGHO PARISH COUNCIL
HELD ON MONDAY, JANUARY 28th 2019 AT THE COMMUNITY CENTRE, LANGHO.**

PRESENT

Parish councillors – Brian Haworth, Tony Austin, Kate Swingewood, Martin Hincks, John Aspden, Frank Havard, Michael Collins, Cllr Alan Schofield.

ITEM 1 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

There were apologies for absence from Heather McCarthy

ITEM 2 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

- a) Register of Interests – Councillors were reminded of the need to update their register of interests.
- b) No members disclosed any personal or prejudicial interests in any matter to be discussed at the meeting.

ITEM 3 ACCEPTANCE OF THE MINUTES OF THE MEETING

Minutes of the meeting held on 26th November 2018 were accepted as a true record.

ITEM 4 PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

- 4.1 There was one public participant.
- 4.2 The Parish Council is not at full allocation, if any member of the public would like to join please contact any member of the Parish Council. There are no inhabitants of Billington itself on the Council at present.
- 4.3 Kate Swingewood was co-opted onto the Parish Council

ITEM 5 PLAYGROUNDS

- 5.1 Langho Playground, report that the music board and basket ball net back have both been vandalised, Clerk to speak to the Lengthsman and Phil Riley Ltd.
- 5.2 Billington Playground report that the perimeter fence has been vandalise, Chair Brian Haworth will attend the park and report back to the Parish Council.
- 5.3 Parish Benches – report that the wooden slatted bench near St Augustine’s needs repairing and that the bench on Old Langho Road towards Elker lane needs replacing/repairing. Chair Brian Haworth to inspect all the benches with a view to replacing them. There was an offer to replace the bench at Old Langho with a Memorial bench.

ITEM 6 ACCOUNTS

6.1 Expenditure

Nurture inv 221319	Chq 202144	£126.49
C Walton inv 3381	Chq 202145	£276.29
C Walton inv 3383	Chq 202146	£276.29
Phil Riley inv 1792	Chq 202147	£1051.20

HMRC	Chq 202148	£90.00
Clerk Salary	Chq 202149	£360.00
Defib Maintenance	Chq 202150	£36.40

ITEM 7 PLANNING

3/2018/1054	Land on the south side of Ridding Lane (Broad Lane) Whalley adj Sewage Works.	Change of use of agricultural land to exercise/play area for dogs. Erection of secure fencing and wooden shelter/rest area. Construction of limestone/gravel area for vehicle drop-offs and non-designated parking using existing gates.	Concerns raised regarding flooding and waste disposal
3/2018/0971	Highfield Snodworth Road Langho BB6 8DR	Demolition of existing conservatory and construction of new single-storey extension to rear.	No objections - via email
3/2018/1101	14 The Drive Brockhall Village Old Langho BB6 8BJ	Demolition of UPVC conservatory and replacement with single storey extension.	No objections – via email
3/2018/1079	Rileys Farm Chapel Lane Langho BB6 8AQ	Erection of one new, single-storey, two-bedroom dwelling for agricultural worker on land adj Rileys Farm.	No objections – via email
3/2018/1085	12 Bushburn Drive Langho BB6 8EZ	Rear dormer conversion and alterations to the front porch.	No objections – via email
3/2018/1130	Dewhurst Farm Longsight Road Langho BB6 8AD	Change of use of barn to form one dwelling (modifications to scheme approved under 3/2013/0713). Resubmission of application 3/2018/0027.	No objections – via email
3/2018/1155	Land rear of Rocklea and Standridge Whalley Road Billington BB7 9NA	discharge of condition 14 from planning consent 3/2018/0296	No Objections
3/2018/1123	Land rear of Rocklea and Standridge Whalley Road Billington BB7 9NA	Application for the discharge of condition 3 (materials), 4 (landscaping), 8 (construction method statement) and 11 (construction and design of external refuse recycling/bin stores) from planning permission 3/2018/0296.	No objections
3/2019/0055	St Leonards Lodge 11A Whalley Road Billington BB7 9NA	Detached triple garage with storage above. (Resubmission of application 3/2018/0782).	No Objections
3/2019/0024	Hole House Farm Whalley Road Billington	New agricultural livestock building for sheep, following demolition of	The PC to write for clarification

	BB7 9NY	existing.	on this application.
--	---------	-----------	----------------------

7.1 Tony Austin voiced his disappointment and anger at planning application 3/2018/0844 for 42 houses. Mr Austin attended RVBC planning meeting to speak against this application. Mr Austin felt that the following matters were dismissed by RVBC and the developers: -

- RVBC has chosen to ignore their own core strategy in order to approve this application.
- The Parish Council believe that those profiting from the construction of new homes should contribute to cost of the necessary infrastructure for the extra residents. Ribble Valley Council has asked the developers of 110 homes at Henthorn Road, Clitheroe to cough up £529,000 towards the provision of extra school places, but has asked nothing of the Langho developers, who proportionately for 42 homes should pay £195,000. There may be sufficient school places at present, but in the future primary school children could find themselves being bussed to Clitheroe or even Rishton if the Langho schools fill up.
- The developers' own traffic consultant told us that the median westbound speed on the A59 was 44 m.p.h., where a new junction would be built to join the development. One sensible member of the Planning Committee queried this, but was told that because L.C.C. Highways had not objected.
- RVBC should have asked the developer to provide parking spaces for the railway station, a parking area was on the original plan but was not included on the revised application.
- The clerk was asked to write to Rachel Stott requesting her to ensure that priority is given to residents with a connection to Langho to the affordable rental houses on site.
- Concerns were raised regarding the services to this development, with particular reference to the sewage system. The village has on-going issues with the services not being able to manage the current rate of homes, this development would add to that service with no provision for increasing the capacity of the sewage services.

ITEM 8 HIGHWAYS

- 8.1 Snodworth Road, Cllr Alan Schofield confirmed that LCC Operations Engineer has drawn up a draft scheme for the area, this is in the early stages and would review the speed limit and include traffic calming measures.
- 8.2 Whinney Lane, Cllr Alan Schofield is pushing for this to be made a 20mph speed limit and for the residents to have a new speed survey as the last on was in 2014. The lack of pavements and inconsiderate parking was brought to Cllr Schofield's attention.
- 8.3 Notice was received regarding temporary footpaths closure of public footpath 3-6-FP43 Billington
- 8.4 Bollards at the bottom of Billington Gardens are missing. Confirmation has been received by RVBC that these will be replaced before 31st January 2019.
- 8.5 It was reported that the surface of Moorland Road is in a very poor condition, the pot holes will be reported via highways@lancashire.gov.uk and Cllr Alan Schofield will report for resurfacing of the road and maintenance of the footways.

ITEM 9 OFFICERS REPORTS -

ITEM 10 CORRESPONDANCE

- Bank Statements
- Minutes of meeting RVBC
- Planning and development Committee agenda

- Request for oversee's funding
- Langho in Bloom – requesting information regarding adopting an area of Whitehalgh Lane /Moorland Road. The Parish Council support this proposal and praised the efforts of Langho in Bloom.

ITEM 11 BUS SHELTERS

11.1 Bus shelters, the repair of the shelter in the vicinity of the Taylor Buildings, it will be requested that a representative from RVBC also attend. The Parish Council have had correspondence from RVBC regarding ownership of one of the bus shelters indicating that the shelter is Parish owned and RVBC have only carried out visual inspections of the shelter, the Parish Council are disputing ownership of the bus shelter having not ever had this on the asset register nor ever maintained this. There was a suggestion that this shelter was paid for with 106 money from housing developers as the shelter is made of the same brick as the bungalow and cut into the garden. The bus shelter site request for RVBC to replace a bus shelter in the vicinity of the Petre Arms is ongoing and Chair Brian Haworth and Cllr Alan Schofield are to have a site meeting.

PCSO Ferguson's Report

28/1 – Billington theft of coping stones and a bike from a rear yard, no lines of enquiry available

27/1 - Billington theft of coping stones, no lines of enquiry available

21/1 – Langho burglary at community premises, suspect for like offences in the area has been arrested and awaiting forensic evidence

20/1 – Langho dwelling burglary, suspect for like offences in the area has been arrested and awaiting forensic evidence

20/1 – Billington report of sus male in street, patrol attended and no trace of male

20/1 – Langho burglary at community premises, suspect for like offences in the area has been arrested and awaiting forensic evidence

20/1 – Langho burglary at community premises, suspect for like offences in the area has been arrested and awaiting forensic evidence

18/1 – Billington report of youths causing annoyance, believe they had been kicked out of a nearby party and they soon dispersed.

14/1 – Billington report of sus vehicle in the area, checks conducted and belongs to out of area keeper and no longer in situ

11/1 – Langho sus vehicle followed from A59 and abandoned, police attend and seize vehicle as believe it to be a clone, enquiries on-going

10/1 – Langho sus male seen near to school, not reported until after the event but NPT officers aware of males desc should he be seen again

9/1 – Langho audible alarm at community premises, premises checked and all in order.

6/1 – Billington report of criminal damage / public order incident at public house, patrols attended and male has left with persons at the premises seemingly knowing nothing about what has occurred.

1/1 – Billington dwelling burglary report of female trying to force her way into a residential address, patrol attended and conducted some enquiries and this is a lady with mental health issues who previously had relatives living at the address so isn't as first seemed.

ITEM 12 TRANSPARENCY FUNDING

If anyone has any photographs of the local area that they could share on the website, please contact a member of the Parish Council.

The website can be found at <http://www.billingtonlanghopc.org/>

ITEM 13 ANY OTHER BUSINESS

13.1 Commissioner seeks the public's views over proposals to recruit extra officers to support policing. Lancashire's Police and Crime Commissioner has today launched a survey asking council tax payers across Lancashire if they are willing to pay more to support the recruitment of 80 police officers and increase proactive policing in their community.

13.2 Cold calling, correspondence has been received from Julie Waddington, Cllr Alan and Cllr Mirfin for making Billington a Cold Calling area. A letter was received from a Langho resident regarding Langho being included in the Cold Calling Scheme. This has been forwarded to Cllr Schofield.

13.3 Recycling centre, a letter was received from LCC detailing proposed changes at the county's household waste recycling centres. A link is available on the parish council's webpage.

13.4 Work has been undertaken on the oak tree at the rear of the Cenotaph. A grant application has been submitted for work that is needed round the Cenotaph.

DATES OF FUTURE MEETINGS

Monday 25th February 2019 at 7.30pm

Monday 25th March 2019 at 7.30pm

Monday 29th April 2019 at 7.30pm

Monday 20th May 2019 at 7.30pm

Monday 24th June 2019 at 7.30pm

Monday 29th July 2019 at 7.30pm

Monday 30th September at 7.30pm

Monday 28th October 2019 at 7.30pm

Monday 25th November at 7.30pm