

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF BILLINGTON AND LANGHO PARISH COUNCIL HELD ON MONDAY,  
SEPTEMBER 30<sup>th</sup> 2019 AT THE COMMUNITY CENTRE, LANGHO.

PRESENT

Parish councillors – Brian Haworth, Martin Hincks, Frank Havard, Steve Farmer, Katie Swingewood, Dennis Johnson, and Cllr Tony Austin.

ITEM 1 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

There were apologies for absence from John Aspden, Michael Collins.

ITEM 2 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

2.1 Register of Interests – Councillors were reminded of the need to update their register of interests.

2.2 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 29<sup>th</sup> July 2019 were accepted as a true record.

ITEM 4 PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

4.1 Two new members of the Parish Council were proposed and accepted. Steve Farmer proposed by Cllr Ausin and seconded by Martin Hincks. Dennis Johnson proposed by Brian Haworth and seconded by Cllr Austin.

ITEM 5 PLAYGROUNDS

5.1 Playground report received from C Walton – Lengthsman. Nothing since March from Phil Riley.

5.2 Quote for £129 from C Walton, Lengthsman for painting goal posts on both playgrounds. Members asked via email to accept this quote.

5.3 Playsafe Rospa inspection has been carried out. The reports were forwarded to all members via email on 30/8/19

5.4 Quotes requested from Lengthsman for repairs to both Billington and Langho Playgrounds.

ITEM 6 ACCOUNTS

6.1 Expenditure

Nurture Landscapes inv 225117	Chq 202190	£128.49
C Walton inv 378	Chq 202191	£276.29
Nurture Landscapes inv 226737	Chq 202192	£129.04
Playsafe Limited	Chq 202193	£206.40
Nurture Landscapes inv 227689	Chq 202194	£129.04
HMRC	Chq 202195	£90.00
Salary Clerk September	Chq 202196	£360.00
PKF Littlejohn – Audit	Chq 202192	£240.00

6.2 PKF Littlejohn sent the notice of audit which must be published before September 30<sup>th</sup>, however this did not arrive until 30<sup>th</sup> September. The notice will therefore be published for 30 days from 5<sup>th</sup> October 2019.

ITEM 7 PLANNING

3/2019/0598	44 Hillcrest Road Langho BB6 8EN	Dormer to rear roof slope.	No objections
3/2019/0648	34 Painter Wood Whalley Old Road Billington BB7	Demolition of existing dwelling house and erection of a	No objections.

	9JD	replacement dwellinghouse with associated external works. Resubmission of planning permission 3/2019/0297	
3/2019/0642	Croasdale Farm 1 Whinney Lane Langho BB6 8DQ	Change of use of agricultural land to D2 (assembly and leisure) and installation of up to six camping pods/holiday cabin accommodation and associated site works.	There was an expression of concerns. These concerns circulated and then forwarded to RVBC.
3/2019/0716	Cunliffe House Farm, Longsight Road, Langho	Conversion of barn to one new dwelling.	No objections.
3/2019/0720	16 Highwoods Park Brockhall Village Old Langho BB6 8HN	Lime Tree (A) Crown thin, Horse Chestnut (B) & Scots Pine (C) removal of diseased/dead branches.	No objections
3/2019/0735	38 Highwoods Park Brockhall Village Old Langho Blackburn BB6 8HN	Felling of T1 early mature Sycamore due to heavy decline with a short life expectancy.	No objections
3/2019/0740	Higher Moorside Cottage Whalley Old Road Billington BB7 9JF	Lawful Development Certificate for retention of unauthorised extension of domestic curtilage into adjacent agricultural land and erection of buildings	Comments and concerns circulated and then forwarded to RVBC.
3/2019/0748	Croasdale Farm 1 Whinney Lane Langho BB6 8DQ	Application for a two storey rear extension.	No objections
3/2019/0749	32 Highwoods Park Brockhall Village BB6 8HN	Single-storey extension to the rear 4.8m long, 4.0m high (max), 2.2m to eaves	No objections
3/2019/0703	23 Bridge End Billington BB7 9NU	Demolition of existing two-storey storage building and erection of two new semi-detached dwellings. Resubmission of planning application 3/2019/0123.	No objections
3/2019/705	Chestnut House 14 The Rydings Langho BB6 8BQ	Crown raise canopy of tree to 3m .Crown clean.	No objections
3/2019/0832	Lower Fold Stables, Northcote Road, Langho BB6 8BE	Variation of condition 3 from planning permission 3/2011/0963 (Proposed change of use of agricultural land to create a winter turnout area/sand paddock for equine use) to allow the condition restricting permission to the applicant to be changed so that it will apply to any user of the existing stables.	No objections
3/2019/0833	Lower Fold Stables, Northcote Road, Langho BB6 8BE	Removal of conditions 6 (no commercial use) and 8 (to be used by the applicant's family only) from planning permission 3/2006/0514 (for erection of building for the stabling of 12 horses, associated feed storage, outdoor manege and covered midden).	No objections
3/2019/0745	69 The Rydings Langho BB6 8BQ	Trim and crown T1	No objections

3/2019/0822	Crafnant 14 Whinney Lane Langho BB6 8DQ	Fell oak tree	No objections
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3/2019/0671 Dewhurst Farm application, to which the PC objected, is to be put before the planning committee at a meeting held 3<sup>rd</sup> October 2019. Cllr Austin attended a residents meeting who are objecting to this application and have the parish councils support.

LC/2019/0046 The applicants agent has confirmed that the replacement gate and fence to the boundary with St Mary's Drive subject to this planning application is for safeguarding reasons only; this entrance will continue to solely provide access for maintenance of the grounds and will not be used by visitors, staff, pupils or parents as an alternate entrance in to the school.

### ITEM 8 HIGHWAYS

8.1 Parking at Elker Meadows. Cllr Schofield and Cllr Austin have reviewed this and will be liaising with residents and planning compliance regarding Section 38 adoption of the road and improving the safety of the junction.. Concerns were raised about the speed at which traffic was traveling from Brockhall along Elker Lane. Cllr Austin witnessed 18+ cars being parked on Elker Meadows at school dismissal time. The parish council did object to the original planning application due to concerns re parking etc.

8.2 The schools are placing no parking signs outside the schools informing parents that parking in these areas puts school children at risk. These signs are being ignored.

### ITEM 9 OFFICERS REPORTS –

9.1 LALC – RV branch meeting was attended by Cllr Austin. Items discussed were Speed monitoring and the need for a formal LALC- RV email asking for action. Concerns were raised about vegetation overgrowing road signs. Cllr Austin reported the development of 42-home development off Longsight Road and the application for Petre Wood Phase 3. Telephone boxes and the development of new uses for boxes without appliances was discussed.

9.2 Parish Council Liaison Cttee meeting. Dr Julie Higgin talked about East Lancs Health CCG regarding trying to develop more local medical talent and the problems of recruiting GP's. Local Luncheon clubs, policy committee has agreed to donate £200 to most regular luncheon clubs in the borough. Cllr Austin volunteered to be involved in a working party to review telephone boxes that BT wants to remove.

### ITEM 10 CORRESPONDENCE

- Parish Council Liaison Meeting agenda and minutes.
- Email from resident re stiles at Colliers Farm
- Ribble Valley Borough Council Notification of Planning Inspectorate Report into the Housing and Economic Development DPD – sent via email.
- LALC September newsletter – forwarded by email
- From Cllr Schofield NCC consultation packs.

### ITEM 11 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 12 ANY OTHER BUSINESS

**Langho in Bloom** – If the three local telephone boxes do have the appliances removed from them, then Langho in Bloom will seek to take over the boxes for alternatives use. Langho in Bloom are looking to site a “welcome” stone at the entrance to the parish, this would be applied for in the parish councils name and be on the parish councils asset list.

**Colliers Farm stiles** – a complaint has been received about the height of these stiles Brian Haworth and Cllr Austin will visit the site.

### **Police Report**

06/08/19 - Burglary, Painterwood. Informant left front door unlocked and whilst upstairs unknown person has entered the property and taken wallet from on top of a bedside cabinet and left address. no cctv in the vicinity, I have conducted house to house to see if anyone saw anything.

09/08/19 - Burglary, Rogersfeild. vehicle stolen, entry gained to property through potentially unlocked conservatory door. nothing else taken from the address.

11/09/19 - Seemingly abandoned car on car park on the entrance to Brockhall village. All in order when vehicle ran through our systems, its a private car park so police limited in what we can do, there have no further reports.

18/08/19 - Burglary, Whalley road. Whilst occupants away on holiday their house has been broken into, entry gained by a downstairs window. items taken include Passports, a quantity of money and a driving license, csi attended. no cctv in the vicinity.

05/09/19 - Road related offence, St Leonards school, Langho. cars parked up either side of the road at school times causing issues, I have spoke with school, this is always the case around school at the start of the new school year, they are writing a piece in their weekly newsletter re this.

08/09/19 - Vehicle crime, Abbey View, Billington. Car ariel removed from vehicle. no cctv.

13/09/19 - Nuisance, Bushburn drive, Langho. occupant has issues most weekends with teenagers on the park late at night , shouting, smoking, sometimes causing damage. I have spoke with informant and the neighbourhood team will monitor the area, informant doesnt know who the youths are, she knows to keep the neighbourhood team updated.

23/09/19 - Criminal damage, Moorland road. eggs thrown at front window of house, nothing seen, reassurance visit done by myself as occupant of house elderly.

27/09/19- Nuisance, York lane. youths have place cones and plastic road barrier across the road causing issues for motorists. I have left a message for caller to let him know the neighbourhood team are aware.

With regards to the speeding motorbike on the a59 in the early hours of the morning that has been plaguing everyone for months, a patrol finally caught up with him the other week, he had a modified exhaust on his bike, that's why it was so loud, the rider was suitably advised, he was given 48 hours to rectify the exhaust, hopefully you'll all now get some sleep.

### **Neddy Lane**

A request has been made to remove unused gate post from Neddy Lane, the Lengthsman will be requested to undertake this.

### **No Cold Calling**

Public consultation papers have been posted to Billington residents, these are now being completed and returned.

### **HARRI**

HARRI is to visit the Ribble Valley HARRI is one of the many ways Lancashire Care NHS Foundation is using to reach out to communities to promote positive aspects of mental health and wellbeing.

### **Cronshaw Common.**

A spring visit is to be taken to ascertain which trees need maintenance work and thinning out.

### **DATES OF FUTURE MEETINGS**

Monday 25<sup>th</sup> November at 7.30pm  
Monday 27<sup>th</sup> January 2020 at 7.30pm  
Monday 24<sup>th</sup> February, 2020 at 7.30pm  
Monday 30<sup>th</sup> March 2020 at 7.30pm  
Monday 27<sup>th</sup> April 2020 at 7.30pm  
Monday, 25<sup>th</sup> May 2020 at 7.00pm for AGM  
Monday, 29<sup>th</sup> June 2020 at 7.30pm