

Langworth Group Parish Council

Serving the grouped parishes of Barlings, Newball, Stainton by Langworth and Reasby

E:mail: langworthgroupparishcouncil@gmail.com

Minutes of the Meeting of Langworth Group Parish Council held at Langworth Memorial Hall at 7.30pm on Tuesday 7th October 2025

Present: Cllrs M Herbert (Chairman), H Stilgoe-McCombe, A Hyatt, K. Tyrrell, A. Curtis, P. Bowser. Mr A. Everard (Locum Clerk), Mrs M. Vail (Clerk).

Also in attendance: County and District Cllr T. Bridgwood.

There were two members of the public present.

Meeting began at 7.30pm

1. Open session:

- The Lincolnshire Resilience Forum's (LRF) Community Resilience Officer was present. The Chair had met with her on 8th September and invited her to attend this meeting. She gave a short talk about her role and emergency planning. She explained that community resilience needed to be more than about just flooding. She highlighted the great work that this Parish Council and individuals had completed in putting together the Community Resilience Plan for Langworth Group and it was nearly ready. Having the plan in place will enable LRF to respond to any local emergencies that arise by directing emergency services and releasing the voluntary support resources when the community needs them in future. The Chair thanked her for attending.

2. Apologies:

- Apologies were received from Cllrs J. Jarvis, S.Taylor and R.Waite. It was RESOLVED to approve.

3. Declarations of Interest:

- None declared.

4. Approval of Minutes: 2 September 2025

- Subject to the District Councillor being removed, as they were not present, and,
- to note in minute 10.1 that the pre-grant application had been completed and the application form was now being completed.
- RESOLVED to adopt the minutes for the Chair to sign.

5. Comments from County Councillor, District Council and Chairman:

- D/Cllr & C/Cllr T. Bridgwood was present and reported the following
 - Residents encouraged to use FixMyStreet to report all highway, footpath and infrastructure issues – if it then needs follow-up, contact Councillors.
 - C/Cllrs have funds allocated to their Ward and can put this towards getting two or three issues a year being fixed, so if the Parish Council have suggestions, please raise them.
 - Local Government Re-organisation is being forced by Government to remove two-tier council areas. It had been hoped that District and County Council could come together to agree future local government

structure but it has not happened so now 5 or 6 different proposals are being developed for submission to Government by end of November. Government decision due in 2026 with shadow councils being elected in May 2027 and coming into full power from April 2028.

- WLDC Gainsborough West has been awarded £20 million over 10 years through the national Pride in Place programme. This long-term investment supports the development and delivery of a 10 year Regeneration Plan, shaped by the local community. It is hoped this will have economic benefits for other parts of West Lindsey.
- Devolution – with Local Government Re-organisation taking place there is likely to be opportunities for devolving more to Parish Councils. The Chair didn't think this would affect Langworth Group PC as there are few assets to devolve.

The Chair thanked Cllr Bridgwood for his report.

○ **Chairman**

- The Chair welcomed the attendance of the Clerk who was present to observe for this meeting before resuming duties at the next meeting; and thanked Mr Everard for his attendance while the Clerk was unavailable.
- The Chair had drafted a letter to send to the Lead Flood Authority and after review, it was proposed Cllr Herbert, seconded Cllr Tyrell and unanimously approved, **RESOLVED** to send the letter.
- Five days of Lychgate woodwork repair and painting now completed.
- Wreath purchased and the Chair will attend the 9th November Remembrance service if no-one else available.

6. Clerks Report

Financial report for September 2025

- Proposed Cllr P.Bowser, seconded Cllr K. Tyrrell and unanimously **RESOLVED** to accept.

7. Correspondence

- The following correspondence had been circulated ahead of the meeting:
WLDC – August newsletter - no comments raised.
- **Police** – Aug statistics and update – no comments raised.
- **Resident** – alarm sounding at or near to The George – Chair had responded.
- **Resident** – complaint about road noise – Chair will raise with the Lincolnshire Road Safety Partnership

8. Planning

- a. **WL/2025/00896:** installation of biomass boiler heating system within existing agricultural building. EASTBECK FARM, STANTON LANE, STANTON BY LANGWORTH, LN3 5BL
Comments were made about whether the boiler would be above the recent flood levels.
RESOLVED unanimously to support the application. Chairman to send a response to WLDC
- b. **WL/2025/00910:** removal of existing sunroom, proposed single storey side / rear extension, new detached double garage, oak framed porch, and 2no. Velux to front elevation in roof space. THE OLD BARN, BARLINGS LANE, LANGWORTH, LN3 5DF.

Concerns were expressed that the proposal of the double garage was forward of the building line and would be intrusive to the open aspect of the front gardens. Chairman to write to WLDC.

Proposed Cllr Herbert, seconded A.Hyatt, RESOLVED Not in support.

- c. **WL/2025/00971** Planning application to erect Farm Shop & Café WOODLANDS FARM STAINTON LANE STAINTON BY LANGWORTH LINCOLN LN3 5DJ
Proposed Cllr Herbert, seconded, Cllr H Stilgoe-McCombe unanimously RESOLVED to support. Chairman to send a response to WLDC

9. Emergency Response Plan Update

- o Cllr H Stilgoe-McCombe has undertaken a lot of work to bring this to fruition, and it is now almost complete as agreed with the Community Resilience Officer who attended the meeting.

10. Play Area

- i. **Update on grant applications**
- ii. **Consider bench quotes**
- iii. **Consider ROSPA annual play inspection report**

The Chair advised that as Cllr J.Jarvis was not present to update these three items they would be deferred.

11. Policies

- o **Planning Procedures Policy** – proposed Cllr Hyatt, seconded Cllr H Stilgoe-McCombe. RESOLVED to adopt.
- o **Expenses Policy** – subject to Clerk recommended amendments, it was proposed Cllr Herbert, seconded Cllr Hyatt RESOLVED to adopt.

12. Date of next PC Meeting

Tuesday 4th November, 2025, 7.30pm, Langworth Memorial Hall

Meeting closed at 8.49pm.

Signed: Date: Chairman

LANGWORTH GPC - BANK RECONCILIATION 1st Sept - 30th Sept 2025					
CURRENT ACCOUNT, ACCOUNTS PAID					
Date	Description	Money In	Money Out	Bank Balance	VAT
	OPENING BALANCE			2766.08	
08/09/2025	Transfer in from deposit account	5000.00		7766.08	
08/09/2025	Mrs M Vail, expenses (Homeworking allowance £22.50, Printing £3.20, Colour Ink for Chairman £38.99)		£64.69	7701.39	
08/09/2025	Mrs M Vail, expenses (Black ink for Chairman £38.99)		£36.89	7664.50	
08/09/2025	Glendale, Inv 1764		£819.09	6845.41	136.52
08/09/2025	EKM Ltd, play inspections April & July 2025		£120.00	6725.41	20.00
08/09/2025	LALC, Locum Clerk		£161.82	6563.59	26.97
18/09/2025	H Stilgoe-McCombe Edit. Services, LL Production 25/26 LLQ3 grant payment		£1,075.00	5488.59	
18/09/2025	Sage, payroll		£13.20	5475.39	2.20
19/09/2025	HMRC PAYE/NI		£139.48	5335.91	
19/09/2025	LCC Pension		£353.75	4982.16	
19/09/2025	Mrs M Vail, salary		£1,004.71	3977.45	
30/09/2025	Service charge on bank account		£4.25	3973.20	
	TOTALS	5000.00	£3,792.88	3973.20	
	CLOSING BALANCE			3973.20	185.69
DEPOSIT ACCOUNT					
Date	Description	Money In	Money Out	Bank Balance	
	OPENING BALANCE			69914.79	
08/09/2025	Transfer to current account		5000.00	64914.79	
09/09/2025	Interest	38.51		64953.30	
	TOTALS	38.51	5000.00		
	CLOSING BALANCE			64953.30	
Non-regular Accounts for Payment in ~October			NIL		
	TOTAL			0.00	
Ear Marked Reserves					
	Elections reserve	£4,000.00			
	CIL monies	£2,712.40			
	New play equipment	£8,557.27			
	Total	£15,269.67			