

Minutes of LVA Committee Meeting

Date: Monday 28th April 2025

Location: St Nicholas Chapel

Time: 7:30pm

Present:

Catharine Russell
 Guy Smith
 Cecily Hughes
 Barbara Furdyna
 Peter Oliver
 Sue Emery
 Pamela Davies
 Ed Neville
 Andy Lewis

Apologies:

Gareth Brown
 Gemma Nash
 Kevin Edwards

<i>Minutes from the Meeting:</i>	<i>Actions:</i>
<p>1. Welcome and Apologies:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Barbara Furdyna, Chair, opened the meeting at 7:30pm. - Apologies from Gareth Brown, Gemma Nash & Kevin Edwards. <p>2. Matters arising from the Minutes of the last meeting</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Layby Parking: Kevin received an unsatisfactory reply from Cllr Lulu Bowerman and Highways Department saying it would take an Act of Parliament to allow 24h layby parking on Langstone Road. Kevin will follow up and say there has to be an emergency injunction due to all the havoc the flood defence work will create. - Chapel Donation: Sue Emery will arrange to take a photo with Shelley Saunders when we present the cheque from the LVA to St Faiths. <p>3. Financial Report</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - The transfer of chapel funds to St Faith's remains outstanding, along with the Q2 chapel rent and Langstonian costs. Expenses related to the Spring Supper still need to be finalised. - The Spring Supper raised £270 through the raffle and £56 from the auction. - Refunds: The committee confirmed that the standard policy for event tickets is no refunds. However, it was agreed that exceptions may be considered on a case-by-case basis. 	<p>Kevin</p>

4. Sub-committees update:

Flood Sub Committee

- Sarah Reghif, Senior Engineer at Hampshire County Council (HCC), has responded to Ed and proposed a Teams meeting with him and Andy Lewis on 8th May to discuss the drainage plans following construction of the new sea wall. It remains unclear what authority she has to make decisions.
- The sub-committee continues to review the various planning applications, as well as associated objections and comments.
- It was agreed that the LVA should represent all members, regardless of individual views, and support any legitimate objections in a way that does not jeopardise the overall sea defence project.
- Catharine has contacted the planning department to request clarification on the final deadline for comments, but no response has been received to date.

Chapel sub-committee (Sue (Head), Polly):

- Nothing to report.

Social Sub-Committee (Cecily (Head), Sue, Catharine, Barbara):

- The Tabletop Sale will take place on Monday, 26th May. Dominic has kindly agreed to coordinate the drop-off of items at the Chapel on the Saturday and Sunday. A local charity will be selected to receive the proceeds, but no suggestions have been received yet.
- There is a need for tables for the event, but due to limited volunteer availability, it was noted that it would be preferable for people to drop off tables themselves, as collection may not be possible.
- Litter picks – It was agreed that future litter picks will be organised jointly with the LRA. The next beach clean is scheduled for 15th June. The LVA will draw up plans for this event. Going forward, Andy will provide the relevant information, and the LVA will take responsibility for publicising the events.

Sea Wall Sub-Committee (Ed, Peter, Gemma, Catharine, Cecily)

Millpond/Seawall

- Catharine and Peter have created a survey to gather residents' views on the Mill Pond and Footpath. So far, 40 responses have been received. Once a sufficient number of responses is collected, the results will be summarised and shared with relevant stakeholders, including HBC and Coastal Partners.
- There has still been no response from Phil Munday to the email sent by the LVA. However, a resident from Langstone Avenue has expressed support

via email, and the committee may consider approaching him for further assistance.

- Peter suggested submitting a letter to the Hayling Herald summarising the original message sent to Phil Munday, with the aim of encouraging wider community support and increasing participation in the survey.
- Ed reported that Phil Munday has indicated he intends to contact the Environment Agency regarding clearance of the Mill Pond.

Southmoor

- Andy noted that the Carrells are not supportive of Peter's proposed culvert plan, believing that their existing bund and related measures will adequately protect the properties on Mill Lane/Harbourside.

Water Quality Sub-Committee (Kevin)

- No update.

5. LRA Update from Andy Lewis

- The LRA committee's main focus recently has been preparations for the upcoming AGM, which will be held on 15th May at Langstone Sailing Club. Lulu Bowerman and Gillian Harris are expected to attend.
- Key topics for discussion at the AGM will include devolution, flood defences, and potential planning issues concerning Southmere.

6. Good Neighbours Update

- Catharine to send out details for Family Day shortly (5th May)
- Preparations are underway for Langstonbury, taking place on 19th July. So far, 126 tickets have been sold.

7. AOB:

LVA Noticeboard

- Sue Holding reported witnessing a man shaking and banging his head against the noticeboard, which has caused it to become unstable. Kevin has inspected it and believes it is safe for the time being, but he will ask his carpenter for a quote to carry out any necessary repairs, as the noticeboard falls under the LVA's responsibility.

Kevin

Dominic Request to print extra copies of Langstonian:

- Dominic proposed printing an additional 100 copies of The Langstonian for distribution to non-members, with the aim of encouraging new memberships. The estimated cost is c.£100. The committee agreed to proceed with this.
- Barbara or Andy Peach will be taking over responsibility for Langstonian advertising.

John Boulton Legacy Fund:

- A total of £326 was raised through the raffle and auction at the Spring Supper. Kevin proposed that these funds be used to establish a legacy fund in memory of John Boulton, with the intention of supporting a future arts-related project, such as a speaker event or play. The committee unanimously agreed.

Next meeting: Monday 2nd June 7:30pm at the Chapel