

Minutes of LVA Committee Meeting

Date: Monday 24th March 2025

Location: St Nicholas Chapel

Time: 7:30pm

Present:

Gemma Nash
 Guy Smith
 Cecily Hughes
 Barbara Furdyna
 Peter Oliver
 Sue Emery
 Gareth Brown
 Pamela Davies
 Ed Neville
 Kevin Edwards
 Andy Lewis

Apologies:

Catharine Russell

<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 Catharine Russell. <p>2. Matters arising from the Minutes of the last meeting</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Layby Parking: Kevin reported that he had received a disappointing response from Cllr Lulu Bowerman regarding the potential for layby parking. It was agreed that Kevin would draft and send a reply. - Alan Mak's request to advertise in the Langstonian: The committee considered a request from Alan Mak to place an advertisement in The Langstonian. It was agreed that this would be acceptable, provided the content was informational in nature and included contact details for all councillors. <p>3. Financial Report</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Subscriptions continue to be received, however, there have been few donations beyond the standard subscription payments. - The committee noted that £700 is available to donate to St Faith's. There was some uncertainty over whether it would be appropriate to use these funds for new blinds, as the money was originally donated specifically for St Faith's. It was agreed that the best course of action would be to donate the funds directly to St Faith's via a large cheque, to be presented at the next coffee morning. Peter will contact Tom to arrange this. 	<p></p> <p>Kevin</p> <p>Peter</p>

- Barbara reported that she had approached Hillary's and John Lewis for quotes on new chapel blinds, but both companies advised they do not undertake commercial projects. Kevin will ask Les from Towers Garden for assistance, as he previously worked for a blind company

Kevin

4. Sub-committees update:

Flood Sub Committee

- The minutes from the two recent Flood Sub-Committee meetings have been circulated.
- There has been no progress in discussions with Southern Water. The committee is now focusing on reviewing the relevant planning application and engaging with Coastal Partners. Ed and Andy are scheduled to meet with Coastal Partners on 26th March.

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

- Nothing to report.

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

- Upcoming events
- 26th May: Tabletop Sale in High Street
- 15th June: Litter pick with LRA
- 16th or 17th August: Summer Party – Linda has kindly offered to host again.
- 6th September: Jazz Evening.

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

Millpond/Seawall

- An email has been sent to Phil Munday. Awaiting response.

Southmoor

- There has been no further progress. It was agreed that it is now up to the Mill Lane residents to decide whether they wish to pursue the proposals put forward by Peter at the last committee meeting.
- Andy noted that a few residents are opposed to the proposals, and some have already taken independent action—for example, the Carrolls have constructed a seaward bund.
- Ed raised a question regarding the ownership of Southmoor, as the land is now technically below the mean high water mark.

Water Quality Sub-Committee (Kevin)

- Kevin waiting to hear from Southern Water regarding dates for visit to Budd's Farm.

5. Public Meeting – Questions for Phil Munday

- Phil is expected to address three main topics: Devolution, the Mill Pond, and Flood Defences.
- It was agreed that additional questions should be raised, including:
- The status of the proposed reservoir, particularly in light of Phil's recent statement opposing it.
- An update on the Railway Cottages, specifically the progress on enforcing Section 215.
- The condition of the Mill Pond and adjacent footpath, with emphasis on the need for repairs. Residents are eager for clarity, and the committee stressed the importance of securing as many commitments from Havant Borough Council (HBC) as possible before Devolution takes effect, as it may complicate future negotiations.
- Clarification on the £93,000 fund and how it will be allocated. There is concern that it may be absorbed into Coastal Partners, and reassurance is sought on this point.

6. LRA Update

- Andy expressed support for the idea of a joint litter pick organised between the LRA and LVA..
- Andy reported that he had spoken with Phil Munday regarding Langstone Lodge. Phil believes the new owners are unlikely to be permitted to demolish the Lodge. However, it remains uncertain whether Havant Borough Council (HBC) has the authority to prevent the construction of new houses on the plot. Although the site is not currently included in the Council's development plan, this could change in light of the Government's renewed push for increased housebuilding.

7. Good Neighbours Update

- Monday 5th May – Family Fun Afternoon
- Saturday 19th July – Langstonbury. Bronte's van will now be there.
- Friday 26th September - Macmillan coffee morning

8. AOB:

LVA Domain & Website

- There was a recent issue with the LVA domain, email accounts, and website access due to authorisation problems. Although access has now been

<p>restored, it was agreed that the matter should be reviewed to prevent future issues. Sue will contact Guy to follow this up.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Catharine has proposed linking the info@langstonevillage.org.uk email address with the website she created for the photo competition - TicketSource: The plan is to create a dedicated TicketSource account under the email address ticketing@lva.org.uk. However, this is unlikely to be set up in time for the Jazz Evening, so the St Faith's account will continue to be used for this event. <p>Spring Supper:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - The Spring Supper is scheduled for 26th April. There are only a few tickets remaining. All proceeds from the event will go to the LVA. <p>The meeting finished at 9pm.</p> <p>Next meeting: 28th April 7:30pm at the Chapel</p>	<p>Sue / Guy</p>
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