

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF KINGTON LANGLEY PARISH COUNCIL
HELD ON MONDAY 8th JUNE 2026 IN THE COMMITTEE ROOM,
KINGTON LANGLEY VILLAGE HALL**

Present: Cllr Harrison-Jones, Cllr Reynolds, Cllr Sealy, Cllr Tayler, Cllr Watson, Mrs. Sue Hart (Clerk), Peter Giles (RFO) and Wiltshire Councillor Greenman

Public Participation: There were two members of the public.

Report from Unitary Councillor: Wiltshire Councillor Greenman noted that the Wiltshire Local Plan has now been formally withdrawn. The new plan will not have to start from scratch as a lot of work already done is still relevant. He had lent towards including an Eastern development and noted that there were big retail players that want to come to the town but not as the infrastructure stands at the moment. He also said that the housing target was 10K + but is now down to 9K. At present he did not feel there was currently any cohesive plan but rather pockets of development. Finally he invited councillors to attend the next Chippenham Community Area Parish Forum to be held at Sutton Benger Village Hall starting at 7:00 pm on Wednesday 17th June.

024.26	Apologies for absence Apologies for absence had been received from the Chair, Cllr Lawer (holiday) plus Cllr Pattemore (holiday) Cllr Evans (family matters), Cllr Armor (holiday) On a proposal from Cllr Sealy and Cllr Reynolds carried unanimously, IT WAS RESOLVED to approve the councillors' apologies for absence. In the Chair's absence, the Vice-Chair Cllr Watson chaired the meeting.
025.26	Declarations of Interest: In accordance with S31 of the Localism Act 2011 and the Parish Council's adopted Standing Orders – To receive declarations of any pecuniary or non-pecuniary interests in respect of any item contained in this Agenda. Cllr Sealy declared a personal interest in the planning application regarding Kington Langley Stud and a disclosable pecuniary interest in the Whitelands Farm Prior Notification (no discussion or vote was taken on the Prior Notification)
026.26	Minutes – To approve minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on 11th May 2026 Draft minutes had been circulated to councillors. A minor revision had been noted to Minute 012.26 to correct Cllr Harrison-Jones name from Cllr Hamilton Jones. On a proposal from Cllr Reynolds and carried unanimously, IT WAS RESOLVED to accept the revised minutes as a true record, and they were signed by the Vice-Chair.
027.26	Planning Applications – Clerk New Applications for Consideration: PL/2026/02227 Kington Langley Stud, Ashes Lane – Conversion of mixed equestrian / residential building to dwelling (Deadline for comments: 25Jun26) On a proposal from Cllr Reynolds seconded by Cllr Tayler, IT WAS RESOLVED to Support this application. PL/2026/02990 (Permission in Principle) Land South of Plough Lane - erection of up to 8 dwellings at (Extension granted to 10 June 26) On a proposal from Cllr Sealy seconded by Cllr Tayler, IT WAS RESOLVED to Object to this application on the grounds of potential traffic issues, visibility and quality of the single track road sharing access with the caravan park and overall cumulative effect on access. (2) Impact on sewage management (3) Lack of mention of affordable homes (4) No recent housing needs survey noted (5) No ecology survey.

	PL/2026/03221 Whitelands Farm (Prior Notification: Excavation/waste material) Construct an earth-banked slurry lagoon – Information only (Parish Council is not required to give feedback) PL/2026/03509 (Prior Notification: Building) Church Farm, Middle Common – General Purpose agricultural building (resubmission of PL/2025/01735) – Information only (Parish Council is not required to give feedback) Planning Updates: None Wiltshire Council Decisions, Appeals and Enforcement Updates PL/2026/01853 Old Chapel Field, Plough Lane – Detached garage and parking area (Wiltshire Council Decision: Approve with Conditions)																														
028.26	Finance - Report distributed to councillors – RFO a) To consider the revised Financial Year 2026-27 draft operating budget). The RFO highlighted the impact of changes to IT costs and said that the Parish Council should look at a potential new provider this year. The defibrillators were coming to the end of their lives which meant parts might not continue to be available hence defibrillator replacement costs will need to be investigated. Bleed kits should be added to the existing kits. The Upper Common manhole cost is now included plus costs of the Draycot Straight road signs. He noted that CIL money could be used for the replacement of the fence from the school to the playing field although currently budgeted for from general reserves. On a proposal by Cllr Harrison-Jones seconded by Cllr Tayler, IT WAS RESOLVED that revised Financial Year 2026-27 draft operating budget be approved. b) To confirm acceptance of the Dave Rea quotation for repairing damage to the Upper Common manhole surround (For resolution). On a proposal by Cllr Sealy, seconded by Cllr Reynolds, IT WAS RESOLVED that the Dave Rea quotation for Upper Common manhole repairs be approved. c) To approve SLCC membership renewals for the Clerk and the RFO (For resolution). On a proposal by Cllr Harrison-Jones, seconded by Cllr Sealy, IT WAS RESOLVED that the Clerk/RFO SLCC membership renewals be approved but part would be reclaimed from Sutton Benger PC. d) To approve Grant awards for Financial Year 2026-27 (For resolution). On a proposal by Cllr Sealy, seconded by Cllr Tayler, IT WAS RESOLVED that the 2026-27 grant awards for St Peter’s Church, The Union Chapel and the recreation ground for Financial Year be approved. e) To note transactions since the report dated 9 May 26. Receipts to Deposit Account: <table><tr><td>11 May</td><td>Interest</td><td>£13.22</td></tr></table> Payments from Current Account: <table><tr><td>12 May</td><td>MS365 for Clerk’s laptop</td><td>£84.99</td></tr><tr><td>12 May</td><td>Dave Rea - Withhold</td><td>£50.00</td></tr><tr><td>12 May</td><td>TACAS LLP SI-30 1st cut</td><td>£1,128.00</td></tr><tr><td>12 May</td><td>Black Nova - Inv 31750</td><td>£1,110.96</td></tr><tr><td>12 May</td><td>Black Nova - Inv 31751</td><td>£240.00</td></tr><tr><td>18 May</td><td>D/D Lloyds Bank service fee</td><td>£4.75</td></tr><tr><td>18 May</td><td>Community First Trading Ltd</td><td>£719.63</td></tr></table> f) To approve the following payments. <table><tr><td>Online</td><td>TACAS LLP Inv SI-31 - 2nd cut</td><td>£1,128.00</td></tr><tr><td>Online</td><td>SLCC Annual Subscription - Clerk</td><td>£200.00</td></tr></table>	11 May	Interest	£13.22	12 May	MS365 for Clerk’s laptop	£84.99	12 May	Dave Rea - Withhold	£50.00	12 May	TACAS LLP SI-30 1st cut	£1,128.00	12 May	Black Nova - Inv 31750	£1,110.96	12 May	Black Nova - Inv 31751	£240.00	18 May	D/D Lloyds Bank service fee	£4.75	18 May	Community First Trading Ltd	£719.63	Online	TACAS LLP Inv SI-31 - 2 nd cut	£1,128.00	Online	SLCC Annual Subscription - Clerk	£200.00
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	Online	St Peter's Church – annual grant	£225.00
	Online	Union Chapel – annual grant	£225.00
	Online	KLVH CIO annual grant - pt 1	£750.00
	Online	Kington Langley Magazine grant	£350.00
	Online	Dave Rea – Upper Common repairs	£660.00
	g) To approve the June Financial Report (For resolution).		
	6 Jun	KLPC Treasurers Account (Current)	£96.14
	6 Jun	KLPC Commercial Instant Access Account (Deposit)	£37,177.32
		Net balances as at 6 Jun 26	£37,273.46
	On a proposal by Cllr Reynolds, seconded by Cllr Sealy, IT WAS RESOLVED that the June 2026 Financial Report be approved.		
029.26	Risk Assessment – Vice-Chair Cllr Watson Cllr Watson had produced a revised Risk Assessment which he reviewed with councillors. One point raised was whether the millennium footpath would benefit from a twice a year inspection. On a proposal by Cllr Sealy, seconded by Cllr Reynolds, IT WAS RESOLVED that revised Risk Assessment be Adopted.		
030.26	Chair's Report – Vice-Chair Cllr Watson In Cllr Lawer's absence there was nothing to report.		
031.26	Clerk's Report and Matters Arising from previous meetings The Clerk noted that permission had been granted for parking on Lower Common in front of The Grange for an evening event at the end of May in one of the houses. She had received a thank you from the organisers. Matters Arising: Minute 186.25 The Clerk noted that following the resolution passed for the award of the contract to fencer David Newton, he had confirmed that he would be able to do it on the week commencing 22 nd June. As this would close the path for most of the week she would check with the school whether this would be manageable. ACTION: Clerk		
032.26	2026 Annual Parish Meeting Feedback – Cllr Watson / Cllr Harrison-Jones on behalf of Cllr Lawer Councillors noted that there had been good feedback from all attendees (approximately 90) and people had been engaged with the organisations in attendance. The Village Mag editor has noted they had received new subscribers. Ideas had been forthcoming for possible projects for the Community Infrastructure Levy (CIL) funds and people would like to be involved in a volunteers' group. Councillors expressed their thanks to Cllr Armor for his help in organising the event and felt that the school venue had been a success.		
033.26	Highways / Parish Steward / Grass Cutting Contract Update – Clerk / Cllr Pattemore The Clerk noted that the new grass cutting contractors has missed most of Lower Common by Badgers Alley, but they had been very responsive in coming back and finishing off.		
034.26	Community Speedwatch / SID Updates – Cllr Reynolds Community Speedwatch Update: Cllr Reynolds said that there had been four sessions, but they had to be cut short by the rainy weather. 451 vehicles were noted with 15 speeders doing 36 mph or more. At the end of April they had visits by the local police who had offered Speed Awareness courses to 7 speeders, and 1 vehicle incurred a £100 fine and a 3 point penalty. A police check on 19 th May noted 2 speeders at 30 mph plus – the fastest being 38 mph. Cllr Reynolds said that she would be happy to carry on with Community Speedwatch for the time being (see Minute 040.26 below).		

	Speed Indication Device Update: There was no update in Cllr Armor's absence
035.26	Community Engagement Update - Cllr Harrison-Jones Cllr Harrison-Jones reviewed with councillors the main CIL spend ideas resulting from the Annual Parish Meeting. The four most popular were: 1. A sharing shed – e.g., plants, produce, books 2. To upgrade village playpark 3. A speed assessment to reduce village speed limits 4. Addressing drainage issues on byway It was noted that the full list included ideas that would not be eligible for CIL funding or covered potential projects that would be the responsibility of the Village Hall rather than the Parish Council. ACTION: Cllr Harrison-Jones to send the list to the RFO and the Clerk to identify what couldn't be covered. The next step would be to draw up indicative costs for what was left. Wiltshire Councillor Greenman noted that some of them could possibly also qualify for Chippenham Area Board funding.
036.26	Footpaths & Rights of Way (including Byway 34) – Cllr Sealy Cllr Sealy was disappointed to report that Indurent still hadn't got back to him regarding Byway 34A.
037.26	Parish Council Website – Current Status There was no update in Cllr Armor's absence. The Clerk asked which councillors were still not able to access the new .gov.uk e-mail addresses and Cllr Tayler and Cllr Sealy noted that they were still using their previous e-mail addresses.
038.26	KLimate Action and Community Orchard Update – Cllr Watson Cllr Watson said he would do inspection of No Mow areas at the end of the week. He also noted that Idverde had now mowed round the trees in the Community Orchard.
039.26	Correspondence sent / received - Clerk Received: None Contact Forms received via KLPC Website: None
040.26	Exchange of information and Any Items for Consideration at Next Meeting Cllr Lindi Reynolds - Retirement Although received too late to go onto the agenda, Cllr Watson informed councillors that the Chair had accepted Cllr Reynolds resignation (to take effect on the following day) as she was now retiring after 17 years on the Parish Council. Cllr Watson thanked Cllr Reynolds for all the work and projects she had carried out on behalf of the village and the parish council and for being such an active member of the PC for so many years. His thanks were endorsed by the rest of the Parish Council and on behalf of councillors he presented Cllr Reynolds with a retirement gift of a small tree. Cllr Harrison-Jones noted that the Village Mag extra page would be for KLimate Action.

The next meeting of the Parish Council will be held on **Monday 13th July 2026 at 7:30 pm in the Committee Room at Kington Langley Village Hall, Church Road.**

THE MEETING CLOSED AT 21:40.