

**MINUTES OF THE KINGTON LANGLEY PARISH COUNCIL MEETING
HELD ON MONDAY 10th AUGUST 2026 IN THE COMMITTEE ROOM,
KINGTON LANGLEY VILLAGE HALL COMMENCING AT 7:30 PM**

Present: Cllr Armor, Cllr Burgess (part), Cllr Harrison-Jones, Cllr Lawer, Cllr Pattemore, Cllr Sealy, Cllr Tayler, Cllr Watson, Mrs. Sue Hart (Clerk) and Peter Giles (RFO)

Public Participation: See below.

Report from Unitary Councillor (apologies received)

057.26	Apologies for absence Apologies were received from Cllr Evans (personal). On a proposal from Cllr Tayler, seconded by Cllr Armor, IT WAS RESOLVED to approve the councillor's apologies for absence.
058.26	Councillor Co-option Update (For Resolution) Resignations were recorded from Elizabeth Evans and Kristina Harrison Jones effective from the end of the meeting. Given the timings of Wilshire Council posting the Notice of Vacancy then advertising the vacancies should no election be called, councillors discussed whether they wanted to wait until the October Parish Council meeting before co-opting two further councillors. On a proposal from Cllr Armor, seconded by Cllr Sealy IT WAS RESOLVED that an Extraordinary Meeting should be held to make the appointments as soon as a date can be finalised.
059.26	Closure of Meeting to Members of the Public and Press for Agenda item 060.26 The Chair declared that, under the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960, the public and press be excluded from the meeting for the following item of business on the grounds that it involves the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in Part 1 of Schedule 12A to Local Government Act 1972.
060.26	To approve the appointment of a Co-opted Councillor Councillors had reviewed applications from four candidates for co-option to the office of parish councillor to fill the existing vacancy, three of whom were able to attend the meeting. Each candidate was interviewed individually then councillors voted on the candidate to be co-opted. On a proposal from Cllr Lawer and carried unanimously, IT WAS RESOLVED to co-opt Claire Burgess to Kington Langley Parish Council. Cllr Burgess Signed the Declaration of Acceptance of Office and joined the meeting. Councillors agreed to carry forward the unsuccessful applications to the forthcoming two co-option opportunities should the applicants wish to be reconsidered.
061.26	Resumption of Open Session The Chair declared the confidential business finished, passed a procedural resolution, resolved unanimously, to resume open session and to re-admit the public and press.
Public Participation Following re-admission of the public, a villager attended who wished to record that there was a dead willow tree between Sundial Cottage and The Chestnuts on the B4069 on the edge of the village which she thought was a significant danger to both her house and passing vehicles and wanted to know whether this was on parish council land. The position was clarified and the Clerk agreed to follow up with the villager what steps could be taken with Wiltshire Council to report and remove the tree in the interests of public safety. ACTION: Clerk	

062.26	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.																								
063.26	Minutes – To approve minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on 13th July 2026 Re-issued draft minutes had been circulated to councillors containing a change to the first paragraph of Minute 053.26. On a proposal from Cllr Lawer and carried unanimously, IT WAS RESOLVED to accept the revised minutes as a true record, and they were signed by the Chair.																								
064.26	Planning Applications – Clerk New Applications for Consideration: PL/2026/04030 Crosstrees, Plough Lane – Proposed kitchen, study and porch extension (Deadline for comments: 7 August – Extension Granted) On a proposal from Cllr Harrison-Jones and carried unanimously, IT WAS RESOLVED to Support this application. PL/2026/04475 Indurent - Prior approval Part 14 Class J: Installation or alteration etc of solar equipment on non-domestic premises – Installation of a max of 225 solar panels on pitched roof areas flat to roof system (Deadline for comments: 27Aug26) On a proposal from Cllr Armor and carried unanimously, IT WAS RESOLVED to Support this application. Planning Updates: None Enforcement update: New build at Old Chapel Field - ENF/2025/01003 Old Chapel Field, Plough Lane. An order for the entrance work has been applied for and Wiltshire Council Highways will visit the site on its completion. Wiltshire Council Decisions: PL/2026/03221 Whitelands Farm (Prior Notification: Excavation/waste material) Construct an earth-banked slurry lagoon (Wiltshire Council Decision: Prior Notification required) PL/2026/03509 (Prior Notification: Building) Church Farm, Middle Common – General Purpose agricultural building (resubmission of PL/2025/01735) (Wiltshire Council Decision: Prior Approval granted) PL/2026/03851 – Sundial House, Swindon Road Notification of proposed works to trees in a conservation area (Wiltshire Council Decision: No objection)																								
065.26	Finance Update - RFO (Report distributed to councillors) a) To note transactions since the report dated 10 July 26 Receipts to Current Account: <table><tr><td>14 Jul</td><td>Sutton Benger PC – Clerk SLCC contribution</td><td>£124.00</td></tr></table> Payments from Current Account: <table><tr><td>14 Jul</td><td>TACASLLP SI-37 3rd cut</td><td>£1,128.00</td></tr><tr><td>14 Jul</td><td>Black Nova Invoice 32588</td><td>£130.80</td></tr><tr><td>14 Jul</td><td>KLVH Invoice 4619 Apr - Jun</td><td>£21.96</td></tr><tr><td>14 Jul</td><td>Dave Newton Fencing – Reservoir fence</td><td>£2,775.00</td></tr><tr><td>20 Jul</td><td>D/D Lloyds Bank service fee</td><td>£4.25</td></tr></table> Transfers Between Accounts: <table><tr><td>14 Jul</td><td>Deposit (07020575) to Current (0218248)</td><td>£4,400.00</td></tr></table> b) To approve the following payments: <table><tr><td>Online</td><td>TACAS LLP Inv SI-45 - 4th cut</td><td>£1,128.00</td></tr></table>	14 Jul	Sutton Benger PC – Clerk SLCC contribution	£124.00	14 Jul	TACASLLP SI-37 3 rd cut	£1,128.00	14 Jul	Black Nova Invoice 32588	£130.80	14 Jul	KLVH Invoice 4619 Apr - Jun	£21.96	14 Jul	Dave Newton Fencing – Reservoir fence	£2,775.00	20 Jul	D/D Lloyds Bank service fee	£4.25	14 Jul	Deposit (07020575) to Current (0218248)	£4,400.00	Online	TACAS LLP Inv SI-45 - 4 th cut	£1,128.00
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	Online	Dryad Land and Tree Care	£829.20
	Online	WALC Training	£72.00
	Online	PKF Littlejohn LLP - External Audit	£252.00
	c) To approve the August Financial Report (For resolution).		
	9 Aug	KLPC Treasurers Account (Current)	£140.73
	9 Aug	KLPC Commercial Instant Access Account (Deposit)	£28,605.59
		Net balances as at 9 Aug 26	£28,746.32
	On a proposal by Cllr Armor, seconded by Cllr Sealy, IT WAS RESOLVED to approve the future payments and the August 2026//27 Financial Report.		
	d) To note completion of the FY 2025-26 External Audit		
	The formal closure letter had been received on 23 rd July from the External Auditors declaring the audit satisfactorily completed. No matters had arisen requiring action by the council. The RFO was to arrange to post on the web site the certificate of completion of audit together with the AGAR Parts 1, 2 and 3.		
	ACTION: RFO to arrange to post on website.		
	Councillors thanked the RFO for the meticulous amount of work he had put into preparing the AGAR to a successful outcome.		
066.26	Upper Common Rowan Tree Surgery and Replacement Tree Planting (For Resolution) (Tree surgeon's assessment had been circulated to councillors) On a proposal from Cllr Lawer and carried unanimously, IT WAS RESOLVED that the Clerk should submit the necessary pre-requisite planning application for proposed works to trees in a conservation area for the required tree surgery to two rowan trees outside Barton Cottage, Upper Common. ACTION: Clerk to submit tree application. On a proposal from Cllr Watson and carried unanimously, IT WAS RESOLVED that a new rowan should be planted near the original trees on Upper Common but further from the wall to replace the felled rowan. Cllr Watson noted that before planting a new tree it would be wise to check whether there were any cables under the ground or overhead. ACTION: Clerk to follow up.		
067.26	Chair's Report – Cllr Lawer Cllr Lawer was following up with the Wiltshire Council Local Highways and Footpaths Improvement Group (LHFIG) what had happened to the two "Pedestrians in road" signs that were supposed to have been installed along the B4069 near Langley Nursery following the correspondence received from a villager (see Minute 070.26 below). Cllr Lawer was proposing an extension of the 40 mph down to the end of Nursery Cottages and ideally reducing the whole stretch from the Church Road junction to the end of Nursery Cottages to 30 mph. He also noted that there were concerns that Wiltshire Council might not be able to meet the 30 month timescale to resubmit the revised Local Plan. There was currently a requirement to find an allocation of 3,500 houses a year in the county.		
068.26	Clerk's Report and Matters Arising from previous meetings The Clerk noted the following: - Stanton Recycling will be introducing a booking system from September. - Forest School update – the Langley Fitzurse School head needs clarification from the Parish Council regarding what might be suitable boundaries for the children on the Registered Common. This will be on the September meeting agenda.		

	• The Wiltshire Association of Local Councils had announced a series of Planning Training Sessions including a Basic Introduction, Enforcements & Appeals and Neighbourhood Planning and encouraged councillors to enrol. • Access to Wiltshire Council Planning Register has changed, the information is more comprehensive, but the layout is different • She had double-checked whether the Red Barn Solar Farm would be subject to a Section 106 agreement but had received the reply that solar farms are not CIL liable and in this instance there is no Section 106 agreement associated with the application. • Lindi Reynolds has sent in the Community Speedwatch report for July saying that they did 5 sessions of 35 mins each - 517 cars passed with 29 speeders including two at 40mph. 4.45% of vehicles were speeding at 36+ and 8.7% were travelling at 40mph. • The Clerk had used the KLPC Website to update minutes for the first time since Cllr Armor had fully redesigned the administrative access and recorded her thanks to him for a really excellent result. • The Community Facebook page has recorded that two cats have been knocked down on Upper Common by the same car and it appeared this had been intentional. The police had been notified. The Clerk had given permission under delegated powers to Mr & Mrs Timbrell ref permission to park on Upper Common on Thursday 6th August and Elma Lawer and Valerie Young ref permission to park on Upper and Middle Common on Saturday 5th September between 6 pm and midnight for Supper on the Run. Matters Arising: Carried forward to the September meeting.
069.26	KLPC Representative to Village Hall To Resolve on the appointment of a trustee to the Kington Langley Village Hall CIO in accordance with paragraph 9.3.3 (ii) of the CIO constitution and the notification of this appointment in writing to the secretary KLVH CIO. On a proposal from Cllr Armor and carried unanimously, IT WAS RESOLVED to appoint Cllr Watson as the Kington Langley Parish Council representative. ACTION: Clerk to write confirmation letter to the KLVH CIO Secretary.
070.26	Correspondence sent / received - Clerk Received: • Complaint from villager regarding lack of progress on the B4069 Highways Improvement Request for a footpath by Langley Nursery into the village. • Complaint from villager regarding traffic management set up on the Kington St Michael Road last week as no Wales and West Utilities contractors had turned up for the rest of that week. Contact Forms received via KLPC Website: None
071.26	Exchange of information and Any Items for Consideration at Next Meeting • There had been no parish steward during the month as he had been ragwort pulling. • A duplicate salt bin had turned up near the A350 traffic lights. • In view of the heatwave and the long dry grass, the No Mow areas would be cut within the next week. • Concern was expressed that the new Stanton St Quintin Recycling Centre booking system could result in more fly tipping.

The next meeting of the Parish Council will be held on **Monday 14th September 2026 at 7:30 pm** in the **Committee Room at Kington Langley Village Hall, Church Road.**

MEETING CLOSED AT 20:40.