

Langrish Parish Council

Chairman: Rosemary Hopewell

Clerk: Helen Marsh

Minutes of Langrish Parish Council meeting held on 16th May 2016, 6.20pm at Langrish House

Present: Rosemary Hopewell (chair), Gary Hodgson (vice chairman) Alison Meggeson, Ian Wesley, David Mowlam, Nigel Talbot Ponsonby and the clerk

- 1. Apologies for absence** Apologies were received from Cllr Moon and Cllr Mocatta
- 2. Minutes of the meeting** Monday 14th March 2016 were approved and signed proposed by IW and seconded by AM
- 3. Declarations of Interest** – there were no declarations
- 4. Matters Arising -**
 - a) **Map Board at Ramsdean** – The clerk was asked to supply the map
- 5. Langrish Meadow**
 - a) **Play Equipment** – AM had spoken to local residents and children who expressed how much they enjoyed using the Meadow and were keen to have further play equipment. The preference being for a slide although climbing frame, trampoline and nets on the goal posts were also suggested. The life span of goal post nets was thought to be too short to warrant the expense. The councillors agreed that a slide could be purchased once funding had been secured. AM would look into what grants were available.
 - b) **Hedge Cutting** – the clerk was asked to put this on the list for the lengthsmen.
 - c) **Playground Inspections** – The clerk was asked to write to Roger Deadman and thank him for carrying out the playground inspections over the past 12 months and to ask him if he would be prepared to continue the inspections.
- 6. Roads**
 - a) **C28 White Lines** GH said that he was still waiting for the lines to be re-painted
 - b) **C28 Sign Survey** GH said that that he was still waiting for this to be installed
 - c) **Car left in Lay-By** GH had reported this at the beginning of January after being passed around by many departments, although, the car has now been removed by the owner.
 - d) **A272 Church Parking** RH said there had been a delay as the ground was too soft but she would now follow this up
- 7. Footpaths**
 - a) **Stiles** – Cllr Mocatta's grant had been received. GH would seek the landowner's permission and opinion on stile replacement.
- 8. Planning Applications** IW said that there were no new planning applications
 - a) **Barrow Hill Farm** The SDNP had made a comment that they did not like the application on the grounds that the buildings were perpendicular and rectilinea. The councillors agreed with the applicants architect that rectilinea was not in keeping with the Victorian style of the existing buildings.
 - b) **Longview Folly Farm, Twenty Ways** the application was refused

- c) **Nutcombe View Stables** – although IW wrote to EHDC to state that there was insufficient detail on the application to give it true consideration the application was passed.

9. Stancoombe Copse

RH had had further discussions with Paula Debenham. The landowner had still not fully complied with the enforcement notice and the excuse of the ground being too wet no longer applied. It was generally felt that all works being carried out were to redesign the track for the future race meetings to be held on 12th June and 3rd July 2016. Some, but by no means all, of the chestnut paling had been taken down and none of the lorry loads of imported soil had been removed. RH would go back to Paula Debenham to ask when EHDC's legal department would be issuing a summons.

10. IT Matters

The list of parishioners signed up to receive email communication not stood at 80. IW said the interest in the website was very small. DM suggested an e-bulletin to encourage the use of the website.

11. County Councillor's Report – Cllr Moon was not in attendance

12. District Councillor's report Cllr Mocatta had been unable to produce a report in time for the meeting.

13. EHAPTC no recent meeting

14. Finances

- a) **Year end accounts for 2015/16** were distributed before the meeting, discussed, agreed and signed by the chairman proposed by DM and seconded by NTP
- b) **Annual Governance Statement** was discussed, agreed and signed by the chairman
- c) **Internal Audit** the clerk reported that the auditor had postponed his appointment due to ill health.
- d) **Annual Return** was agreed and signed by the chairman
- e) **Clerk's Salary and expenses** these were authorised and signed by the chairman

15. Correspondence

- a) **Lengthsman** – A lengthsman had been employed and a list of jobs prioritised as follows
 - Clear foliage surrounding the bus shelter opposite Langrish House and to list materials for repairing the shelter.
 - Spray weed killer along the footpath, up to the fence, beside the A272 along Langrish Hill.
 - Strim around 30mph roundels and the bend sign beside A272Future tasks are to trim hedge on the Meadow and remove litter.
- b) **PCC funding request** RH had received letter requesting the Parish Council resume their funding towards graveyard grass cutting. The councillors agreed a sum of £300.

16. Any Other Business

- a) **Standing Orders** – A review of the standing orders is being undertaken by DM.
- b) **Water Pressure** – As a consequence of the devastating house fire in the village there had been reports that the water pressure in the village was inadequate and particularly inconsistent. The clerk was asked to write to South East Water to question this.

The date of the next meeting – Monday 11th July 2016, 7.30 at Langrish House

There being no further business the meeting closed at 7.25pm

Langrish Parish Council

Chairman: Rosemary Hopewell

Clerk: Helen Marsh

Minutes of Langrish Parish Council meeting held on 18th July 2016, 7.30pm at Langrish House

Present: Rosemary Hopewell (chair), Gary Hodgson (vice chairman) Alison Meggeson, David Mowlam, District Councillor Robert Mocatta, the clerk and 2 members of the public

17. Apologies for absence Apologies were received from Ian Wesley and Nigel Talbot-Ponsonby

18. Minutes of the meeting Monday 16th May 2016 were approved and signed proposed by GH and seconded by AM

19. Declarations of Interest – there were no declarations

20. Matters Arising - There were no matters arising

The Chairman altered the order of the agenda to allow member's of the public to speak at the start of the meeting.

12 Noise from Aark

Mark Vennis of Laundry Cottage a near neighbour of the light industrial site attended the meeting to explain the problems from the Arrk factory. There is considerable noise coming from the factory throughout the night, although regular complaints had been made to the night manager at the factory nothing had been done to reduce the noise. The huge articulated lorries that deliver to the site use the Laundry Cottage driveway as a passing place and are causing significant damage to the driveway surface. Mr Vennis said that he could make alterations to his driveway to prevent this but he wasn't inclined to as the road is very narrow at the junction of his drive and he is keen to allow car drivers to be able to use it, cars do not cause any significant damage. It was agreed that the situation would be discussed with NTP and a letter written to the manager of Arrk and the owner of the site. The clerk was asked to investigate the details of the local authority license or planning consent for the site.

13 Flooding and Drainage A272 Lower Bordean

Joy Sang of The Cottage, Lower Bordean attended the meeting to report problems with surface water ofnA272 beside The Cottage. During wet weather a considerable amount of water collects on the road in the form of a small lake, which in itself is a danger to road users. Lorries being driven through the water create a bow wave at times as high as 12ft which waterfalls into the garden of The Cottage. On numerous occasions, over many years she has reported and complained about the problem to Highways who have carried out some remedial work to elevate the problem, unfortunately this has compounded the problem. She believes that the work involved putting in drainage devices and channelling water from further down the A272 from the Winchester direction. These are not adequate for the purpose, silt up quickly and then the silt is not cleared or the devices emptied by Highways. Cllr Mocatta recommended she wrote a letter to Roy Perry, Leader of Hampshire County Council as it is the County Council's responsibility to keep an A road clear of water at all times.

21. Langrish Meadow

- a) **Play Equipment** – Alison Meggeson put forward some proposals for additional play equipment. She passed round some photographs of 2 types of slide and a trampoline. After some discussion and confirmation that further equipment would not monopolise the open space it was agreed to obtain funding and purchase the slide of the same design of the existing swing and the trampoline. The overall cost of this would be around £10,000 including installation. AM confirmed that there were several avenues of funding that she was looking into.
- b) **Playground Inspections** – The clerk had booked an annual playground inspection. The Clerk had received confirmation from Vicky Jacomb of Came & Company, the Parish Council insurance brokers, that as the playground is small it was not necessary to have weekly inspections and that once a month would be sufficient. The Clerk has been receiving the monthly inspection reports from Roger Deadman.

22. Roads

- a) **St John’s Church Lay-by** GH commented that the new ‘experimental’ surface put down by HCC is not stable, isn’t pinned down and is flapping and the surface is uneven. There is no clear definition between the road and the lay-by. Overall it is unsatisfactory.
- b) **C28 White Lines and Road Signs** Cllr Mocatta had been in communication with Emma Pound from HCC who was positive about moving forward with the white lines and road signs. She pointed out that central white lines often had the effect of speeding up the traffic. The councillors explained that they were asking for the existing faded white lines to be repainted and further lines to be put on the side of the road. Cllr Mocatta would follow this up. He had also received agreement for the pedestrian signs. GH would mark up a map to identify where 4 new signs would be best sited.

23. Footpaths

- a) **Stiles** –GH had received the landowner’s permission to put in 2 new kissing gates and the clerk was asked to place the order.

24. Broadband and IT Nothing to report

25. Planning Applications IW was unable to attend the meeting but sent this report

SDNP/15/04644/FUL Barrow Hill Farm

Demolition of agricultural barns 1, 4B, 5, 6 & 7; erection of 7 new holiday cottages; conversion of agricultural barns 2 to a reception/laundry room/cycle store and plant room, barn 3 to a holiday cottage and barn 4 & 4A to an indoor swimming pool

Hopefully this application is now close to resolution following a SDNP meeting on 4 July. A “final plan” is to be submitted ASAP which we should receive soon for comment as part of a 2 week consultation process. If there are no further objections, then the application will be approved (at last!) This whole process has seen SDNP planning at its worst!

SDNP/16/01796/HOUS Hillcrest, Winchester Road, Langrish

Loft conversion to create accommodation at first floor level, to include dormers to front, sides and rear, and pitched roof to existing flat roofed side extension

No objection, approved

SDNP/16/02904/HOUS The Thatched Barn, Ramsdean

Detached Garage/Garden Machinery Store, Fitness Room/Studio

No objection, decision pending

SDNP/16/03221/HOUS
The White House, Langrish
Conversion of outbuilding to form 2 bedroom annex
Site visit w/b 18 July. Comment due by 28 July

26. Stancoombe Copse

A draft letter from the parish council to EHDC regarding compliance with the enforcement order had been circulated prior to the meeting, small alterations and additions were discussed with Cllr Mocatta who recommend that the letter be addressed jointly to Tim Slaney, Head of Planning SDNP and Simon Jenkins, Head of Planning at EHDC. RH will follow up these recommendations and finalise the letter.

27. Grant application St John's Church A request for a grant had been received from PCC and a grant of £300 was agreed.

28. As above

29. As above

30. Fire hydrant The Close the clerk reported that she had been in touch with South East Water regarding the water pressure in the fire hydrant at the Close. After many letters and telephone calls she was told that there was no fire hydrant in The Close. The nearest hydrant is near the Green. There is in fact no water main to The Close only a private supply line. Lack of water supply and discolouration to nearby houses would be expected when the fire hydrant were in use.

31. County Councillor's Report – Cllr Moon was not in attendance

32. District Councillor's report Cllr Mocatta had nothing further to add

33. EHAPTC RH reported that devolution was the main issue discussed at the meeting

34. Finances

a) **The financial summary and cheques** were agreed and signed.

35. Correspondence

a) **Lengthsman** – A lengthsman had been employed and a list of jobs prioritised as follows

- Strim Ramsdean Green
- Trim the hedge on the Meadow
- Strim and cut back the blackthorn around the road sign on the corner between the church and East Meon road.

b) **PCC funding request** RH had received a letter requesting the Parish Council resume their funding towards graveyard grass cutting. The councillors agreed a sum of £300.

36. Lengthsman DM had received a complaint from the landowner regarding the work carried out to the pavement beside the A272 by the lengthsman. He felt that the lengthsman had been strimming on his side of the fence. The Clerk was asked to clarify the situation with the lengthsman.

37. Update of Parish Documents the clerk said the standing orders, risk assessments and new financial regulations need to be addressed.

The date of the next meeting – Monday 12th September 2016, 7.30 at Langrish House

There being no further business the meeting closed at 9.15pm

Langrish Parish Council

Chairman: Rosemary Hopewell

Clerk: Helen Marsh

Minutes of Langrish Parish Council meeting held on 19th September 2016, 5.30pm at Langrish House

Present: Rosemary Hopewell (chair), Gary Hodgson (vice chairman) Alison Meggeson, Nigel Talbot-Ponsonby, District Councillor Robert Mocatta and the clerk

- 38. Apologies for absence** Apologies were received from Cllr Moon, Ian Wesley and David Mowlam
- 39. Minutes of the meeting** Monday 18th July 2016 were approved and signed proposed by GH and seconded by AM
- 40. Declarations of Interest** – there were no declarations
- 41. Matters Arising – Flooding on A272 at Bordean**, RH said that Highways had been carrying out work on the road and hopefully this will improve the situation.
- 42. Langrish Meadow**
- a) **Play Equipment** – Following further research on trampolines AM wasn't sufficiently impressed with the trampoline mesh surface. In view of there being some 60 children in the village covering a broad age group she recommended a Sutcliffe Play freestanding slide at a cost of £6000. Funding possibilities to be research, with the hope of slide being installed by next spring.
 - b) **Playground Inspections** – The playground inspection report, received this morning, would be circulated and discussed at the next meeting. There were no medium or high risks.
 - c) **Hedge Laying** Andrew Birnie had recommended that the new hedge whips planted in 2012 should be laid. At a cost of £1600 the councillors agreed to the work being carried out but funding would be necessary.
- 43. Roads**
- a) **Speeding Traffic C28** A way of reducing the speed of vehicles between Manor Farm and the Industrial Site were discussed. Having had little success with signage and white lines from Hampshire Highways, GH would looking into positioning the SLR onto the 30mph sign on the corner opposite Home Farm and into the volunteer operated camera scheme.
- 44. Footpaths**
- a) **Stiles/Kissing Gates** –Two new kissing gates and a stile had arrived and GH would organise the installation following receipt of a successful permission request for the stile.
 - b) **Overgrown footpath Cold Hill** The clerk was asked to speak to the Toomers to ask if they would cut back the growth or allow HCC to work on the footpath.
- 45. Broadband and IT** Nothing to report

- 46. Planning Applications** IW was unable to attend the meeting but sent this report
SDNP/15/04644/FUL: Barrow Hill Farm
Demolition of agricultural barns 1, 4B, 5, 6 & 7; erection of 7 new holiday cottages; conversion of agricultural barns 2 to a reception/laundry room/cycle store and plant room, barn 3 to a holiday cottage and barn 4 & 4A to an indoor swimming pool
Application approved with minor changes to the plan first submitted over 9 months ago. I understand that work will not begin on the project until 2017.

SDNP/16/01902/PRE: Langrish House Hotel

Erection of an annex to the hotel

Pre-planning application is acceptable in principle subject to a detailed design being submitted.

SDNP/16/02904/HOUS: The Thatched Barn, Ramsdean

Detached Garage/Garden Machinery Store, Fitness Room/Studio

No objection, decision pending

SDNP/16/03221/HOUS: The White House, Langrish

Conversion of outbuilding to form 2 bedroom annex

No objection, decision pending. Two small changes have been made to the original plans at EHDC request involving the relocation of a dormer window and changes to the detail of the gable. I understand that approval will be forthcoming if evidence can be provided that there are no bats present in the existing structure.

SDNP/16/02862/FUL (East Meon)

Longview Folly Farm Twenty Ways Langrish Petersfield Hampshire GU32 1BT

Proposed new walker/cyclist/horse riding overnight accommodation (& associated facilities)

Decision pending: comment from East Meon PC:

An application was submitted in 2015 SDNP/15/06462/FUL. This was refused on the 29th March 2016. The comments given for refusal were that the proposal would result in unsustainable, unjustified and intrusive development harmful to the landscape of the National Park.

This new application is basically the same as was previously submitted under SDNP/15/06462/FUL. East Meon Parish Council comments are still relevant and apply to this new application (SDNP/16/02862/FUL) and are therefore resubmitted.

Sale of Manor Farm No information available

- 47. Stancoombe Copse** Through Cllr Mocatta the councillors had gained a valuable insight as to the enforcement situation with Stancoombe Copse. At this stage EHDC were satisfied that the enforcement order had been sufficiently complied with. The parish council accepted this situation but other avenues would be pursued. The chairman thanked Cllr Mocatta for his help.
- 48. County Councillor's Report** – Cllr Moon was not in attendance and his report had been distributed prior to the meeting. NTP commented that there was now a charge for recycling certain items.
- 49. District Councillor's report** Cllr Mocatta report opened a discussion on devolution.

Devolution

Cllr Mocatta said that this continued to be contentious with a split between the urban and rural districts compounded by the two districts sharing a chief executive. He felt that as there was no information

available and the proposed structure was unclear. ROH agreed, as at the meetings she had attended there was no one who can answer questions. A suggestion had been made to forming a cluster around the East Meon 100, East Meon, Stroud, Briton and Froxfield. Cllr Mocatta continued: the Solent Bid would require an elected Mayor but there would be no need for a mayor with the Hampshire proposal. Small parish councils did not want to go with the Solent Bid. The change would be applied in 3 stages. Ferris Cowper had said that there would be a consultation but when asked he said that there would not be a referendum. There would be a separate timetable for devolving district councils.

50. EHAPTC ROH attended the meeting with devolution being the main topic. The overall feeling was that small parishes were being ignored. Precepts were also discussed. It was considered that for certain projects it was usual to have a one off increase in the precept.

51. Finances

- a) **The financial summary** the finances were discussed and cheques signed.
- b) **Legal Cost of Planning Advice** it was resolved that the parish council would not fight applications but could make a donation towards expenses.
- c) **External Audit Report Risk Assessment** the audit report raised an issue that the council's risk assessment had not been minuted. The clerk would circulate a draft risk assessment for approval and minuting at the next meeting.

52. Correspondence

- a) **Tree planting** the clerk would follow up the Conservation Volunteer's email on free trees for community groups.
- b) **Noise from Arrk** There had been a further complain regarding the noise. NTP had spoken to the site agent about this who would endeavour to speak to the tenant. A letter from the parish council would also be sent to the tenant.

53. Lengthsman the clerk is due to attend a meeting with the lengthsman and then report back

The date of the next meeting – Monday 12th September 2016, 7.30 at Langrish House

There being no further business the meeting closed at 7.15pm

Langrish Parish Council

Chairman: Rosemary Hopewell

Clerk: Helen Marsh

Minutes of Langrish Parish Council meeting held on 21st November 2016, 7.30pm at Langrish House

Present: Rosemary Hopewell (chair), Gary Hodgson (vice chairman) Alison Meggeson, Ian Wesley, Nigel Talbot-Ponsonby, David Mowlam, District Councillor Robert Mocatta and the clerk

54. Apologies for absence Apologies were received from Cllr Moon

55. Minutes of the meeting Monday 19th September 2016 after one minor adjustment were approved and signed proposed by DM and seconded by GH

56. Declarations of Interest – there were no declarations

57. Matters Arising

58. Langrish Meadow

- a) **Play Equipment** – Alison Meggeson said that lifting gear would be required for installing a slide increasing the cost to £7000, although, funding could potentially be obtained for 50%. It was agreed that the purchase should be put on hold.
- b) **Parked Cars** 4 sometimes 5 cars are being parked in spaces reserved for the meadow users.
- c) **Hedge Laying** The roadside hedge is in the process of being laid. The clerk met with a SDNP ranger and was confident that funding towards the hedge laying would be forthcoming. Andrew Birnie recommended that the hedge on the southerly boundary could be laid in two years time. Rosemary Hopewell has kindly donated £1600 for the hedge laying.
- d) The chairman had given authorisation for a mole catcher to get rid of the moles on the Meadow.

59. Roads

- a) **Speeding Traffic C28 between A272 and Langrish House** - Further complaints about the dangerous nature of this stretch of road for pedestrians and in particularly for children walking to the school bus had been received from residents and notably a letter from the headmaster of The Petersfield School as there had been a near miss involving a pupil. On behalf of the parish council Cllr Mocatta had taken this up with Chris O'Connor (EHDC Traffic Management) who having conducted a survey agreed that this section of road is extremely dangerous but due to the sad nature of government rules there was little or nothing that could be done until accidents involving injury or fatalities were reported. He also said that it would be too difficult to obtain permission to put a 20mph speed limit on this stretch of road. The next best option would be a moveable or static second SLR. GH will look into costs, obtain permission from the landowner and see if an existing post could be used or find a new site where the SLR could be positioned. All this may take time.
- b) **SpeedWatch** GH has made enquiries about SpeedWatch, which would involve purchasing a radar gun and personal protective equipment. The police would provide demonstrations on how to use the equipment. The Clerk was asked to contact Selborne Parish Clerk to ask about the effectiveness of their scheme.

60. Footpaths

- a) **Stiles/Kissing Gates** –GH has been working on installing the first kissing gate, on the path behind The Close, but was temporarily held back by the need to dig a 9” square 26” deep hole in the malmstone. The stile will be put in place on the footpath opposite the church once permission had been received from the landowner. A kissing gate was not suitable in that location.

61. Vandalism

Car vandalism had been reported on vehicles parked on Langrish Hill

62. Planning Applications

Ian Wesley had distributed his report by email

SDNP/16/02904/HOUS: The Thatched Barn, Ramsdean

Detached Garage/Garden Machinery Store, Fitness Room/Studio **Approved**

SDNP/16/03221/HOUS: The White House, Langrish Conversion of outbuilding to form 2 bedroom annex **No objection, decision still pending over consideration of bats but SDNP website contains statement from their ecology team that “the structure is not considered suitable for supporting protected species and therefore no further survey works are necessary.” I assume this means that the application that was made in June will at last be approved!**

SDNP/16/02862/FUL (In East Meon)

Longview Folly Farm Twenty Ways Langrish Petersfield Hampshire GU32 1BT

Proposed new walker/cyclist/horse riding overnight accommodation (& associated facilities)

Refused; now gone to appeal

SDNP/16/04571/FUL Home Farm Cottage, Langrish

First floor rear extension, replacement of fire damaged thatched roof with tiled roof, to include four dormer windows to front and three dormer windows to rear, and new detached garden/log store following demolition of existing garden/log store **Approved**

SDNP/16/05020/HOUS Ramsdean House, Twenty Ways Farm Lane Ramsdean

Detached timber frame garage **No PC objection, decision pending. There has been objection from neighbours at Nutcombe View on the grounds that an old pond will need to be filled in**

63. **Broadband and IT.** Broadband speeds seem to have now dropped throughout Langrish; IW's own speed has declined from 6 mbps to 3.5 mbps. He asked Cllr Mocatta if it will be possible to tap into the fibre-optic cable when it is put in through the village on the way to East Meon. Cllr Mocatta said it would be possible by 2020.
64. **Stancoombe Copse** The Parish Council had a meeting with officers from EHDC and SDNP to discuss the fulfilment of the enforcement notice. The situation is still under review. A request was made to Cllr Mocatta to ask the district council to keep the parish council informed of further developments.
65. **County Councillor's Report** – Cllr Moon was not in attendance
66. **District Councillor's report** – Cllr Mocatta had nothing further to add except to say that he would be standing for election as County Councillor and will continue as District Councillor.
67. **Finances**
- a) **The financial summary** the finances were discussed and cheques signed.
 - b) **Budget** the draft budget was discussed and it was agreed that there would be no provision for major playground purchases. An increase in precept will be necessary for the maintenance of the Meadow. A provision would be made for a new SLR. The budget would be finalised at the January meeting.
68. **Correspondence**
- a) **Letter from Nick Lambert** A letter from Nick Lambert had been received and will be replied to.
69. **Lengthsman** the clerk had asked the lengthsman to check the salt bins.

The date of the next meeting – Monday 16th January 2016, 7.30 at Langrish House

There being no further business the meeting closed at 9.25pm

Langrish Parish Council

Chairman: Rosemary Hopewell

Clerk: Helen Marsh

Minutes of Langrish Parish Council meeting held on 23rd January 2017, 7.30pm at Langrish House

Present: Rosemary Hopewell (chair), Gary Hodgson (vice chairman) Alison Meggeson, David Mowlam and the clerk

70. **Apologies for absence** Apologies were received from Cllr Moon, Cllr Mocatta, Ian Wesley and Nigel Talbot-Ponsonby
71. **Minutes of the meeting** Monday 21st November were approved and signed proposed by GH and seconded by AM
72. **Declarations of Interest** – there were no declarations
73. **Matters Arising**
74. **Langrish Meadow**
- a) **Parked Cars** Between 4 and 5 cars are being parked in spaces reserved for meadow users; the clerk was asked to contact Sovereign Housing to ask for them to be removed
 - b) **Hedge Laying** Regrettably the South Downs National Park withdrew their offer of a grant towards the hedge laying.
75. **Roads**

- a) **Meeting at ARRK.** RH, GH and the clerk had had a very constructive meeting with Mr Dominé, General manager of ARRK, regarding night-time noise from the factory and road issues involving large delivery lorries. As ARRK use delivery companies, Mr Dominé said that making any significant changes to delivery schedules would prove difficult. He would endeavour to make some changes to cut down the noise at night. A letter in response had been received from him detailing all the measures that he has implemented which covered the problems raised. The council agreed that this had been extremely helpful and that a letter should be written to thank him.
- b) **Speeding Traffic C28 between A272 and Langrish House** - It has been difficult to find a suitable position for a new SLR that is safe and has direct sunlight to charge the solar batter. GH will be contacting the highways engineer to get his agreement.
- c) **Speed Watch** GH and the Clerk had been in communication with Selborne Parish Council to gather information on the SpeedWatch scheme run by them. The scheme seems to be effective but only when it is regularly repeated but finding volunteers regularly proves difficult.

76. Footpaths

- a) **Stiles/Kissing Gates** – The lengthsman is to be asked to level some ground, make some steps and dig in a post for the kissing gate at the bottom of Sir William’s Hanger. The landowner’s permission will be sought to put in a new stile on the footpath opposite the church. A resident had kindly repaired a kissing gate at the edge of his property, with the council making a contribution towards spare parts.

77. Planning Applications

Ian Wesley had circulated his report by email

There are no active planning applications.

- a) SDNP/16/02904/HOUS: The Thatched Barn, Ramsdean
Detached Garage/Garden Machinery Store, Fitness Room/Studio
Approved
- b) SDNP/16/03221/HOUS: The White House, Langrish
Conversion of outbuilding to form 2 bedroom annex
Approved
- c) SDNP/16/02862/FUL (In East Meon)
Longview Folly Farm Twenty Ways Langrish Petersfield Hampshire GU32 1BT
Proposed new walker/cyclist/horse riding overnight accommodation (& associated facilities)
Refused again
- d) **SDNP/16/05020/HOUS** Ramsdean House, Twenty Ways Farm Lane Ramsdean
Detached timber frame garage
Approved

78. Broadband and IT. IW circulated his report prior to the meeting. Broadband speeds continue to decline in Langrish (though some in Ramsdean have gone up recently. Coupled with continual complete dropping of connections (2 or 3 times a day) and the daily presence of Openreach vans in Langrish, clearly things are not going well. This last week some connections on the C24 went down completely; this was solved by cleaning out the sludge from a junction box at the bottom of The Close. Ian will do another broadband survey now that everyone is back from Xmas and have the results for the next meeting.

79. Stancoombe Copse Nothing further to report

80. County Councillor’s Report – Cllr Moon was not in attendance

81. District Councillor’s report – Cllr Mocatta was unavailable due to the change of meeting date.

82. Finances

- a) **The financial summary** the finances were discussed and cheques signed.
- b) **Budget** the budget was agreed
- c) **Precept** It was resolved to increase the precept by 10%. Proposed by GH and seconded by AM. The budget would be finalised at the January meeting.

83. Correspondence no further correspondence

84. Lengthsman the clerk was given a list of work for the lengthsman.

85. Future Agenda Items Review standing orders and conduct financial risk assessment

The date of the next meeting – Monday 13th March 2017, 7.30 at Langrish House

There being no further business the meeting closed at 8.45pm.