

## Abbots Langley Parish Council

Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on Monday 8<sup>th</sup> July 2019 at 7.30 pm in the Council Offices, Langley Road, Abbots Langley.

Those Present:

Vice-Chairman                      Councillor Stephen Giles-Medhurst

Councillors:                      Councillor Sara Bedford  
    Councillor Jean Bowman  
    Councillor Liz Burns  
    Councillor Ruth Clark  
    Councillor Jane Lay  
    Councillor David Major  
    Councillor Alex Michaels  
    Councillor Owen Roe  
    Councillor Simon Stanley  
    Councillor John Swallow  
    Councillor Jon Tankard  
    Councillor John Wyatt  
    Councillor Roxanne Yau

Officers:                              Tim Perkins - Clerk to the Council

The meeting opened at 7:30 pm.

**80. Apologies for absence**

Apologies were received, accepted and recorded from Councillor Robin Powell (unavailable).

**81. Public Participation**

None.

**82. Hertfordshire Police**

None.

Members asked that if the police are unable to attend the meeting, they submit a brief report to the Clerk.

Councillor Sara Bedford advised that Sgt Simmons may shortly be redeployed to a new role.

**83. Declarations of Interest**

None.

**84. To confirm the Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting**

It was proposed by Councillor Liz Burns, seconded by Councillor Jane Lay and **RESOLVED** that the minutes of the meeting held on 13<sup>th</sup> May and 19<sup>th</sup> June 2019, copies of which had been sent to all members of the Parish Council prior to the meeting, be taken as read and were signed by the Chairman as a correct record.

**85. Minutes for adoption**

The following committee minutes were adopted, approved for publication on the Council's website and passed to the committees for resolution.

Planning & Highways Committee - 15<sup>th</sup> May, 5<sup>th</sup> & 26<sup>th</sup> June 2019.

Staffing Committee - 5<sup>th</sup> June 2019.

Leisure Committee - 19<sup>th</sup> June 2019.

**86. Henderson Hall Managing Trustee**

It was proposed by Councillor Jane Lay, seconded by Councillor Liz Burns and **RESOLVED** that Mr Stephen Moore be appointed as a Managing Trustee of Henderson Hall, his appointment to become effective on receipt of the resignation of Mr Chris Whatley-Smith. The appointment will be for a four-year term of office.

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### 87. Abbots Langley Bowls Club

It was proposed by Councillor Jane Lay, seconded by Councillor Liz Burns and **RESOLVED** that a Licence to Assign the lease to the above be granted with Mr Stephen Collins, Mr Graham Picton and Mr Dean Simpson as trustees of the club.

No other changes to the lease will be required.

The Clerk was asked to instruct the Parish Council's solicitors accordingly and to conclude this matter under delegated authority. Costs in this matter will be for the account of the Bowls Club.

### 88. Neighbourhood Plan Steering Group Report

Members noted the report.

### 89. District and County Council Member's Reports

County Councillor Sara Bedford

- Leavesden Country Park Open Day (6<sup>th</sup> July) was well organised and attendance excellent.
- At its May meeting Three Rivers District Council declared a Climate Emergency. As a matter of urgency, the council wants to tackle government legislation that means the council cannot mandate through the planning process environmentally friendly measures such as grey water harvesting and solar panels are installed on new builds.
- Following the retirement of Dr Steven Halls, Three Rivers District Council are in the process of appointing an interim Chief Executive Officer to serve for six to nine months.
- Consideration of the Moto Motorway Service application is probably delayed until September, as Highways England and Hertfordshire County Council have requested further work on the highways layout.

District Councillor David Major

- The Annual Open Air Service of Thanksgiving and Remembrance will be held at West Herts Crematorium on Sunday 14th July 2019 at 3:00 pm.

District Councillor Alex Michaels

- The footpath from Egg Farm Lane which runs Abbots Langley > Bedmond > Kings Langley, through Numbers Farm, should be reopened soon following consultation with the landowner.

### 90. Chairman's Report

The Chairman has attended the following events.

17th May 2019 - First Abbots Langley Scout Group AGM & Presentation Evening, Langley Road Scout Hall.

7th June 2019 - Bedmond Resident's Association Meeting, Bedmond Village Hall.

8th June 2019 - Abbots Langley Carnival - Float & Walking Judge.

12th June 2019 - Watford North Scout Group AGM, The Snickett, Black Boy Wood, Bricket Wood.

27th June 2019 - Royal British Legion (Abbots Langley Branch) Veteran's Lunch, Manor House.

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### 91. Clerk's Report

Members noted:

- Information Commissioners Office
- Freedom of Information Request
- Parish Council Chairman and Vice-Chairman 2019-2020
- Club Supreme Tennis - Lease Completion
- Office Copies
- Diary dates

### 92. Monthly Statement of Accounts

It was proposed by Councillor John Wyatt and seconded by Councillor Jean Bowman and **RESOLVED** that the Statement of Accounts for May & June 2019 as notified to the Council be approved and published on the Parish Council's website.

The meeting closed at 7.52 pm.

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_

Dated: \_\_\_\_\_