

Abbots Langley Parish Council



Annual Report

2022-2023

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1. Parish Council Chairman's Report
Councillor Stephen Giles-Medhurst - Chairman of the Parish Council

I was honoured to be appointed Chairman of the Parish Council for the fourth time.

As one of the largest Parish's in Hertfordshire, we cover the diverse communities of Leavesden, Abbots and Bedmond Villages, Hillside, Primrose Hill and Hunton Bridge. We are fortunate that we have a strong and hardworking team of Parish councillors who put their communities first.

In addition to taking the Chair at full Parish Council meetings, I also chair on the Staffing Committee. I thank all my fellow councillors and officers for their support.

With a number of changes of staff during the year lead by new Chief Officer & Clerk, Isabel Montesdeoca, and with Jayshree Patel as our new Finance Officer & Deputy Clerk I believe the strength of the staff we have means we are a very high performing Parish delivering first rate services.

I especially want thank all of the staff for all their work throughout the year and particularly for making the Platinum Jubilee Celebrations in June with our 'Party in Park' such a success as well as the Christmas Lights in the High St. Special thanks to Revd Dr Peter Waddell and the Friends of St Lawrence for the latter. Thanks also go to our sponsors for the Jubilee, DJ Mark Copper. Parish staff David Abbot and Mark Ellis and his team went the extra mile putting up of hundreds of Jubilee discs and decorations.

I take the liberty of including just one of the many comments received; *"John and I took our grandchildren up to the Park in the early evening and we were amazed to see so many family groups having such a great time. The atmosphere was fantastic and the lighting of the beacon was such a grand finale. Well done to the Parish Council for all the organisation."* I think that says it all - it's a pity the local media seems to miss out all the good work in Abbots Langley!

Of course the great joy of June was touched with great sadness in September and whilst it was an honour to read the Royal Proclamation of the Accession of King Charles II, it was with great sadness I did so at our little, but significant event, in the Millennium Gardens on September 11th.

I praise all the great voluntary groups and organisations we have here and thank them all for their continued efforts especially during these difficult times and I hope their excellent work continues in the future.

I have supported the Abbots Langley Tough Ten in their 40th year of sterling fundraising. Not only was it great to be awarding prizes and starting races in October but I was also delighted to personally present them with them with a new cup, "The Chairman's Jubilee Trophy" to assist their fund raising. There has also been the great Abbots Langley Carnival arranged by the Lions Club and the sunny day enabled me to lead the parade around the Village. November saw the Abbots Langley Remembrance Day Parade and wreath laying, and the service and the wreath laying at Church of Ascension (Tin Church), Bedmond. I thank Councillors Robin Powell & Jon Tankard for laying wreaths at Leavesden War Memorial and Langleybury.

Other events included the AGMs of 1st Abbots Langley and 3rd North Watford Scout Groups Langley and Abbeyfield's 30th anniversary garden party. I was especially pleased to help plant trees at Dowling Way Open Space and at Primrose Hill to mark the Queens Green Canopy.

The Abbots Parish Neighbourhood Plan (2019 to 2036) is nearing its completion, which will then go out for public consultation and a final referendum for adoption. Peter Warman is doing an excellent job as Chairman of Neighbourhood Planning Group, and I thank him for all his efforts.

The Council undertook an eco-audit in July 2022 as an update to the audits done in 2010 and 2013. The Council will continue to use the findings from these periodic reports to inform projects that help increase sustainability. The Council has also committed to publishing an annual eco-report. The first of these will be produced in Q1 FY2023/2024.

Finally, I would again like to thank all those people who have supported me over my year of office. Abbots Langley Parish is a great place to live and work and long may this continue. And I end by thanking Warner Bros, Leavesden, our largest employer in the Parish which has supported not only the Parish but many community groups this and in previous years.



2. Planning & Highways Committee Report

Councillor Jon Tankard - Chairman of the Planning and Highways Committee

Over the past 12 months there has been considerable societal change. We have now emerged from a world of COVID into a new world of 'cost of living expense', with rising fuel and food prices, higher interest rates and a national recession. This has inevitably had a 'knock on effect to residential planning applications which will be further discussed later in this report.

Key consultations:

Locally, we have seen a number of larger consultations and presentations by Potential Developers, which are as follows:

- i. Warner Bros: The provision of new sound stages, workshops, production and postproduction offices. which extend into an area of greenbelt, raising concerns regarding loss of Biodiversity and increased traffic into the area.
- ii. Poultry Farm: Demolition of existing buildings within the Poultry Farm and construction of 37 dwellings with associated residential curtilages, open space, landscaping, access and car parking (30 Woodlands Road And Poultry Farm Nash Mills Hertfordshire HP3 8RZ).
- iii. Margret House: Development of Margaret House care home site
- iv. The Grove Film Hub: Hybrid application from The Grove, for the creation of a Film Hub.
- v. World of Water: Demolition of existing building and erection of retail food store, (Use Class E(a)), with associated access, parking and amenities)

Further information regarding these 5 consultations:

i. Warner Bros.

We as the committee have visited the application public review, visited the site to see the proposed areas in real time and discussed the application in as much detail as possible between ourselves and with the district planning committee. (NB: the application has over a hundred documents and we as a volunteer group of the local community have done our best to review as much as possible but acknowledge that the time available to review documents is not unlimited due to 'day job' commitments of committee members). We did raise comments regarding the key issues of Biodiversity and the scale of the structures along with local concerns regarding volume of traffic that this would incur. The application continues to progress through the planning system. We note the responses of elements like the Highways report and the issues raised by County Council.

ii. Poultry Farm

We note that the poultry farm, out of all the sites brought forward in the Call For Sites, looked to be the most obvious for development, given that it is a true 'Brownfield' Site within the greenbelt. The site still retains the rusting hulks of that period and therefore would class as pre-developed land despite the fact that it has been dormant for some considerable time. (Having said that, it is often the case that abandoned, dormant sites have a greater biodiversity rating than many open farmed fields.)

The numbers of residential properties on this site was reduced and as a committee we were concerned about this reduction (almost halving the original number of dwellings) because this reduction could see the District Council have to allocate further land in the green belt for the additional housing. We attended the developer's presentation and noted the reason for the reduced units but also voiced a concern that the access arrangement proposed, from Hyde Lane down a narrow private road were inadequate for a development of this scale. The application was submitted with no adjustment to the access arrangement and in this case, we agreed with the local residents committee that this demonstrated inappropriate development.

iii. Margaret House

The development of the Margaret House site has been forwarded as a public consultation prior to the design being finalized, we, as others have raised concern regarding the access



off Parsonage Close because this area becomes impassable during the morning and afternoon school run and would only add to the access, parking and congestion issues that already exist for school users and existing residents. We also raised concerns regarding the site location and its proximity to the church and many of the listed buildings on the High Street. Whilst we note that the site is not entirely within the Conservation Area, we did note that a more sympathetic approach regarding materials and overall form may be more appropriate for the location.

iv. The Grove Film Hub

Hybrid application for the creation of a Film Hub in the Langleybury area. The committee attended a presentation about the proposal from the applicator in December and are looking to attend a site visit on the 7th January to assess the site from all angles. We are concerned about this application as we feel that the site layout represents excessive and inappropriate development in the green belt. Whilst we acknowledge that the site does currently have a 'filming' use, we felt that the location of the 17 metre tall filming sheds to the west of the site along Langleybury Lane, would effectively push the Greenbelt edge out to this line away from the River Gade line of Hunton Bridge. Concerns were raised that once this had been established, it would be difficult to not object to infill from the river Gade to the west boundary. Additionally, the site climbs from the River Gade to the west boundary, meaning that the proposed 17 metre sheds would be situated at the top of the valley, we felt that better use could be made of the site topography in concealing the buildings.

v. World of Water

Demolition of existing building and erection of retail food store, (Use Class E(a)), with associated access, parking and amenities. We have a number of concerns regarding this application, namely:

- Current building has a reduced form varied form creating an overall reduced volume on a residential scales, culminating in reduced impact on the landscape.
- Proposed scheme is a large retail block and would be a prominent feature within the greenbelt.
- Increase in parking on a Greenfield site.
- Concerns regarding Biodiversity and the proximity of the River Gade to the increased parking.
- Intensification of access and egress from the site due to higher volume of traffic

Whilst it was noted that the site already had a use within the Greenbelt, it was felt that the scale and increased traffic was not justified or addressed within the application and the strategy for getting vehicles on and off the site would result in detrimental effects to an already busy junction.

Other local planning themes

We are still lacking Public Participation and input with the large local schemes, out of the four above, we only saw participation from the Local Poultry farm application by a local resident's group. Going forward into 2023 we should consider developing a strategy to raise awareness to local population that there is a public forum for them to be involved and have their say over local planning issues.

We are still seeing planning applications through for home offices within the garden, but acknowledge that these represent only a small number of the home offices being built as many home offices/annexes can be built under the 'permitted development' rules which need not come under our scrutiny.

The cost-of-living crisis has escalated construction costs which had been muffled due to a lack of tendering during the COVID period. Arguably, due to the large rise in construction costs we are noticing a change and seeing smaller domestic schemes coming through the committee to enhance the 'living' lifestyles, as opposed to more grandiose schemes by residents wishing to see a generous



return on construction work investment. However, whilst the scale of applications has reduced, we are still seeing the Post COVID increase in numbers of applications.

The Breakspeare School Site

The Parish Council have notified County Council of an interest in the Breakspeare School site (when it becomes vacant) for a Medical Hub for the local community. This would allow the overburdened Surgeries within the village, greater capacity to deal with resident demand. It must be noted that none of the current surgeries have the ability to extend.

The Neighbourhood Plan team and I met with the Local MP for Watford to gain support for the Abbots Langley need. We appreciate that the site has a high commercial value but feel that local needs have to be taken into account to alleviate the overburden placed on the local NHS services.

Update to the 'Call for sites' initiative, by the UK Government.

Further to my discussion of the government's 'Call for sites' in the 2021 report, this initiative has moved beyond major milestones, and is now undergoing a further influx of sites:

I would like to reiterate the current position and pressure that both the Parish and the District Council have been put under in 'layman's' terms.

- A. Three Rivers has no buildable land and therefore cannot meet the 'dictated' housing supply enforced by this Government.
- B. The current housing numbers still stand, until they are replaced.
- C. Although it has been summarized that these numbers will be reduced, no action has yet taken place.
- D. Three Rivers has to produce a Local Plan fulfilling those house numbers, failure to meet that number would have the Local Plan refused, or in multiple rejected submissions, could have the planning ability of the authority withdrawn and lead to central government dictation of which sites would be used.
- E. Three Rivers HAD to carry out a 'call for sites', this enables land owners and developers to submit potential sites for development (this prevents Local Authorities dictating an area of land which fulfills a 'house allocation' within the Local Area, but is effectively undevelopable land, the negative side of this is that developers will choose the more accessible and attractive sites).
- F. The sites are scrutinized by the planning officers as to whether they can they support the housing numbers proposed and if this site were to be refused, would it win in an appeal situation. The latter is the most important, if a site were refused, but then to win at appeal, that would increase the number of houses 'actually' built in the area. That is, sites that were never intended to be in the supply.
- G. Once sites are given housing status within the Local Plan, they cannot be removed. This means that if disputed sites win at appeal they will add to the total number (other sites cannot be removed to compensate).

The latter (F & G) are important issues as this could have huge cost implications against the council, should they lose the appeal and incur costs. A high-status loss could potentially bring into question other sites refused in the same way. So, despite a site being rejected at the first stage, this does not mean that the site will remain out, and one must respect the due diligence required of the planning officers at this stage in the work they have to undertake (often a thankless task), against some of the most powerful and legally supported businesses in the economy.

We appreciate the government news generally states that the Housing Numbers are just a guide, but to our knowledge, no Local Plan submitted by any Local Authority has been successful where housing numbers fall short of the required numbers. Also, where a Local District fails to demonstrate a 5 year housing supply, these are grounds (although minor) for the Government to support an appeal on a potential site.

However, by deferring the submission of the Local Plan, this will enable us to submit a reduced plan (should direct Government Guidance confirm this)

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New sites have been brought forward and existing refused sites reintroduced in some cases with the potential for public open space to be included within the schemes. This may have the benefit of maintaining an 'open element' to the edges of Abbots Langley, but we would need to see further detail before we could support and also what legal framework could be put in place to maintain the 'open land' use. This may enable the ability to change sites in certain areas where a less damaging.

It must be noted that the influx into our communities of this HUGE increase of residents that the Government requires, does not guarantee access to greater infrastructure such as schools and medical facilities. Whilst we are a welcoming community, we are concerned that an already overburdened village, taking on a greater density of population without increased local access to schools and medical facilities will put us at breaking point. As such, we are petitioning for a secondary school within the village and the potential to gain the Breakspear School site for implementation of a local Medical Hub.

The implementation of a full range of 'walkable' schools would ease traffic on our already overburdened road networks and would help drive to the '20-minute neighbourhood' policy to which the Neighbourhood plan is committed.

The pressure placed on the local NHS services was highlighted during a conversation with a local surgery, historically, the surgery was expected to hold 12,000 patients with an expected doctors consultation of 1.5 visits per year per resident (taken as a community average). This equated to the need to provide 18,000 consultations per year. At present, that same surgery is now having to deal with 96,000 consultations per year on average (due to many NHS patient services now placed into the local community, an ageing population etc). This means that the surgery's current community averages stand at 8 consultations per year and as such it is easier to understand why it is so difficult for residents in the village to get an appointment to see a GP.

Whilst we are accommodating and discussing with the Government the requirement to 'BUILD, BUILD, BUILD, we need the Government to pledge and confirm its commitment to Local Infrastructure to allow us to build a functioning community rather than simply increased housing.

Whilst the village acknowledges that starter homes are needed (to enable the next generation to not only get onto the property ladder but also stay in their current location, and also the ability for the elderly residents to downsize, and likewise stay around friends and family), the delivery of such homes, by a widespread 'profit making' commercial development, generally fails to provide dwellings suitable for this demographic. These commercial developments tend to focus on larger 'executive' homes targeted at wealthier families from outside of the parish, and whilst we hold no animosity to those families, this situation does not support our existing population. It is likely a major change in Government Policy is needed to allow communities to build homes for local residents, but that is where we need to be looking. We will, under current Government Policy have to build more houses on sites proposed by developers, but the neighbourhood plan (which is coming out for its first consultation) specifies where and what type of housing shortages there are. This is our opportunity to clearly state the need to provide the types of houses needed for our young and old population and as such it is imperative, that we get this document agreed and included within the Localism Bill to help dictate the direction the village travels in.

Other news about government policies:

The new Part L building regulations (thermal performance), Part O (overheating) and Part F (ventilation) were released in June and are now in operation, the industry as a whole is disappointed as these falls short of the Code For Sustainable homes which under CODE 6 would deliver Carbon Neutral houses with added commitment to biodiversity, water-runoff, wellbeing and building carbon footprint. The rejection of the journey to Code 6 by 2016 has had a detrimental affect felt throughout the industry in the UK, accomplishing Zero Carbon by 2050. One point to note on the New Part O (which is a completely new requirement), is the requirement for Blinds or other form of solar shading on Southern Aspect windows, this will alter the 'look' of new buildings and we should be ready for the 'new look' which start to adorn our landscape.

Further Notes in our Planning Year

- Neighbourhood Plan: The neighborhood Plan has been progressed by Peter Warman, who as always has done an incredible job being the workhorse and driver of this. The Public

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Consultation will begin soon, but as with the planning committee, we would like to see far more residents' participation. The referendum on the proposals requires a good percentage of the community to vote, so we would like as much input from residents as possible.

- Grass cutting: Reduced cut of Council owned land has been implemented and will continue this year. The reduced cut did receive a number of responses, many negative, some positive. We would like to hear more positive responses, so if you like the direction we are travelling in, please tell us. We did experience some wildfires in the longer grass and the hot summer, but the process is a 'learning curve' with the district and Parish Landscape staff having to learn a new skill set, so please be patient, and any knowledge of the biodiversity of certain areas would be gladly received.
- Cows: The introduction of the cows were a great hit on Horses field.
- Rewilding: Rewilding of an area of Primrose Hill playing field took place. Additionally, the planting a small copse as part of the Queens Green Canopy took place as well as additionally trees added to the project in Horses Field.

Next Steps

In 2023/4 we would anticipate....

- Continuing to progress and engage the community on the Neighbourhood Plan.
- Potential more involvement with the 'Call for Sites', as we move into the next phase.
- Progress our interest in the Breakspear School site as a Medical Hub.
- Raise the profile of and drive the conversation about our need for greater infrastructure tied to accepting increased housing numbers. This should include not only schools and medical facilities but better managed open greenspace, better village linkage via green routes, upgrading of the High Street and transport systems.

We will continue to reach out to Management bodies within the Parish to push forward our commitment to 'rewilding' and biodiversity enhancement, not only as a plus for the Sustainability strategy, but also as an enhancement to all residents' wellbeing within our communities.

3. Leisure Committee Report

Councillor Jane Lay - Chairman of the Leisure Committee

It looks as though Covid could be behind us now, or nearly! We were pleased to see two of our local societies, AL Local History Society and AL Gardening Society back holding their monthly meetings in the Manor House again. They had been very clever in holding their meetings on zoom during the pandemic and are now showing their meetings on zoom only for those who still cannot go out. The Manor house has been open for various events during the year such as parties and wakes, so all looks good for 2023. We also welcomed back various clubs who use the Tanners wood Hall.

We have been very pleased that the tennis club, GetSet4Tennis, has found success on our tennis courts in the Manor House grounds. They give lessons to children and adults of all abilities and it has been good to see residents taking advantage of the facilities.

We were pleased to support the Evergreen Football Club in their bid to receive funding from the Football Foundation to pay for grass pitch improvements over and above what the Parish Council can fund. This work would have started in 2022 but the hot weather prevented this and should commence in 2023 under our Works Manager's guidance.

During the year we found that our sports and football fields were being used without booking the facilities. Unfortunately we had to bring in ruling that if the sports clubs organised games and training on our pitches without being booked in advance with the office they would be charged an unauthorised play charge. This is to discourage our football pitches being used during the off-season for a period of time to aid recovery and maintenance as our work force put in a lot of time and your



money to resurface and reseed them and the excellent work is being destroyed by over use. Councillors were very keen to avoid over use of the pitches.

Under the Queen Elizabeth II Green Canopy project we decided to support this by providing a community orchard planting a selection 97 different fruit trees and one oak tree in Primrose Hill Park. Because of the mole infestation no football or sport can take place at the site, so we hope this is an excellent project that can be enjoyed by everyone in the parish. This exciting project has taken many months to prepare and will take around 5 years to complete. Planting started in November where we, together with several schools and residents, planted the first 16 fruit trees. The morning started with very heavy rain but thankfully developed into a beautiful sunny day. All local schools were invited to help plant the trees, but the response was sadly very poor. Our Works Manager and staff prepared the area with numbered stakes to show where these trees will be planted. The next planting day will take place on the Saturday 28th January with many members of the public there to help. If anyone wishes to donate a tree to be planted, please contact the parish office. The installation of benches, picnic benches, wildflowers etc. will appear gradually in the coming years and hopefully it will be a lovely place for residents to walk through and enjoy.

With all the sadness of the death of our beloved Queen we mustn't forget that we put on a wonderful event for her Jubilee in June as well as installing a beacon to round off the celebrations. Thousands of residents attended to enjoy the fantastic weather, have picnics around the Manor House grounds with friends, listen to the music and even dance. The finale was the lighting of the new beacon. We are now planning another 'Party in the Park' to celebrate King Charles III's Coronation on 6th May 2023 and look forward to everyone attending again.

We must thank AIMS who are a small group of volunteers who keep our flower gardens in tip top condition as well as the flower beds by the noticeboards at each end of the village. I am sure if you can spare time to offer to help you will be made welcome.

Last year we celebrated the return of the Carnival run by the Watford Lions. Another superb village event with excellent weather to bring a full house to the proceedings and success to all stall holders. There was Applefest in September another superb event supported by the public as well as the explosive fireworks in November. It is so great to see our village coming alive again.

At the beginning of December, we organized with St Lawrence church the Carols in the Churchyard again and the turning on of the Christmas lights in the High Street and what a wonderful evening we had, so vibrant with the new coloured lighting. Many more people turned up to celebrate and sing carols this year and the Friends of St Lawrence gained almost £600 from the generous donations given by the public.

During the year we were asked if beehives could be kept on our allotment sites, and I am pleased to report that there is now an application process for any qualified beekeepers wanting to keep bees and already holding an allotment on one of the sites. Mentioning allotments, there is now a new Allotment Tenancy Agreement which should encourage those plot holders not working their garden to keep their plots in good order. We have received many complaints regarding gardeners not working their plots as per their Lease and we took serious notice of these comments so we hope that those residents who want an allotment to garden will look after it. Gardening allotments are getting more popular, and we have many new residents putting their names down for a plot. Thank you to the Allotment Representatives who volunteer their time to help us keep informed about the sites and attend our bi-monthly meetings. We would also like to thank the Abbots Langley Gardening Society in organizing the allotment prizegiving on our behalf.

You may have seen we have a new electric van and will be purchasing another vehicle hopefully this year (depending on availability). We are planning to be a more ecofriendly council, so we have had an Eco audit completed and will be making more changes as we can afford them.

You may be interested to know the future projects that we are planning - to put water fountains on the Bedmond Playing fields and at Primrose Hill play area, and to improve the natural footpath from Dellmeadow to Stanfield to join up with the new steps installed last year. We will also be resurfacing the public footpath on Primrose Hill to the canal, and we have already updated the footpath lighting to make it safer for the public to use. We are setting aside money to provide a MUGA at Bedmond and to resurface the footpath from the Manor House MUGA to Manor Lodge car park. We are putting aside funds each year for both of these projects.

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During the year we welcomed a new Leisure & Council Administration Officer and she has provided a superb pamphlet on Defibrillators in the Abbots Langley Parish. There are instructions on how to use the defibs., photos and addresses of where you can find them and hopefully help you if you need one.

I would like to thank the Chief Officer & Clerk to the Council, Facilities Manager, Works Manager and Grounds Team, as well as the Bookings & Front Desk Officer, Leisure & Council Administration Officer, Finance Officer & Deputy Clerk and all the Councillors who sat on the Leisure Committee for all their help in making this a hard-working and successful committee.

4. Finance & Administration Committee Report

Councillor Liz Burns - Chairman of the Finance and Administration Committee

Another year has passed and at least by the end of 2022 we were almost back to normal. We as a Parish Council adapted our working to using technology and met either by Zoom, Teams, or other platforms, which at least enabled us all to continue to serve our community as best we could.

There have been several staff changes at the Parish Council offices and I would like to personally thank all those who have left us, some to retire some for other reasons. I would also like to welcome all our new staff.

It is good to see that we are still receiving applications for both small grants and larger financial grants. Grant applications are available on our Council website, and we would welcome applications from more groups.

We spent some money on the Queens Platinum celebrations which were enjoyed by so many in the village. We also purchased the new beacon, placed in the Manor house grounds. We will be using it as part of the Kings Coronation event planned for later this year.

We have had to increase the council tax this year but hopefully you will all see that it is as little an increase as we felt was operationally possible. The cost of maintaining our football pitches and green spaces has increased but we hope that all the clubs and public that use these areas are benefiting from these amenities. We do operate a no games or practice during the closed season with fines in operation if this is not adhered too. This is to ensure the pitches are fit for play during the extended season.

Please remember you can see the minutes of our F&A meetings on our website or attend in person to any of our meetings. These are typically held in the Parish Council offices.

If anyone would like any further information regarding Finance & Administration, please do not hesitate to contact me.

5. Staffing Committee Report

Councillor Stephen Giles-Medhurst - Chairman of the Staffing Committee

The committee considers matters related to the employment of the Parish Council's staff. Parts of the committee's meetings are confidential, as they relate to individual members of staff.

The committee continues to work with the Chief Officer & Clerk and our advisors on employment related matters, monitoring changes to legislation and the impact these may have on our staff.

The Staffing Committee has had a very busy year particularly over reviewing staffing and operational matters and successfully resolving internal staffing issues.

6. Review Panel Report

Councillor Sara Bedford - Chairman of the Review Panel

The Review Panel has not been required to meet this year.

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The Parish Council is made up of fifteen members, thirteen of whom were elected at the ordinary elections held in May 2019, and one in a by-election held in September 2022. There is currently one vacancy, as of February 2023.

Councillor contact details are correct as of February 2023.

Please refer to the Parish Council website www.abbotslangley-pc.gov.uk for any updates.

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