

# Gainford & Langton

## MINUTES OF PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON MONDAY 3 FEBRUARY 2020

### PRESENT:

**COUNCILLORS:** L. Johnstone (Chair), S. Hannan, M. Charge,  
S. Platten, R. Logan, R. Roff, J Grundy  
Clerk: M. Clark

### Visitors:

Teesdale Mercury

### Public Participation:

No members of the public present

### AGENDA

#### 1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE:

Apologies were tendered and approved for Cllr's Coomer and Hannan (unwell)

#### 2. DECLARATION OF INTERESTS:

None declared

#### 3. MINUTES OF THE ORDINARY MEETINGS HELD ON 2 DECEMBER 2019 & 6 JANUARY 2020:

**RESOLVED:** The minutes of the meeting held on the 2 December 2019 were proposed as a true record by Cllr Platten. Seconded by Cllr Logan.

The minutes of the meeting held on 6 January 2020 were proposed as a true record by Cllr Logan. Seconded by Cllr Roff.

#### 4. PROGRESS REPORT:

The Clerks report was noted.

#### 5. CHAIRS REPORT:

The Chairs report was noted.

#### 6. FINANCE REPORT:

6.1 The February Financial Report

**RESOLVED:** The February Financial Report and payments were proposed as a true record by Cllr Logan and seconded by Cllr Grundy

6.2 Review of the councils Financial Regulations. Deferred until the March meeting.

#### 7. PARISH COUNCIL MEETINGS:

The Clerk informed the meeting that he had been successful in securing the Barnard Castle

Town Clerk's post but would not be leaving Gainford & Langton Parish council. The request to move the monthly meetings to the first Wednesday of each month was at his request.

RESOLVED: It was proposed by Cllr Logan the council meetings are moved to the 1<sup>st</sup> Wednesday of each month from March. Seconded by Cllr Grundy

**8. LOCAL MAINTENANCE/PARISH ISSUES:**

8.1 Closure of Gainford Post Office

Members were disappointed to hear the post office was due to close on the 31 July. It was sad news for the village after the hard work that was done to keep it in the village.

8.2 Langton Village updates:

Cllr Grundy gave members a brief summary of a meeting with residents of Langton

Currently 18 adults and 7 children reside in Langton

Issues were the farm and barn owned by Raby that requires attention, the speed of farm traffic through the village, broadband speeds and environmental issues such as litter.

A discussion took place on the possibility of signage about speed or advisory cautioning drivers of children playing.

The Chair thanked Cllr Grundy and the residents of Langton for bringing things to the councils attention. A number of the points raised would be placed into the NP.

**8. CORRESPONDENCE:**

None

**9. PLANNING INCLUDING NEIGHBOURHOOD PLANNING UPDATES:**

DM/19/03294/FPA Mr Richard Coukham, 10 South View, Gainford – Replace 2 storey rear extension, enlarge rear garage door and replace front garage door with window. Noted.

**10. DATE & TIME OF NEXT MEETING AND AGENDA ITEMS:**

Wednesday 4 March 2020 (Committee room upstairs) Gainford Village Hall

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Abbreviations: CDALC – County Durham Association of Local Councils

NP – Neighbourhood Plan





