

LANGSTONE RESIDENTS' ASSOCIATION

Minutes of the Langstone Residents' Association Committee Meeting held on
7:30pm Tuesday 14 April at 8 Langstone Avenue.

		Action
1	<p>Persons Present Andy Lewis (AL) Chair Margaret Hellawell (MH) Treasurer & Secretary Mike Combes (MC) Susannah Britcher (SB) Jon White (JW) Sarah Maclennan (SM) & Sally Taber (ST) Apologies : Carolyn Holland (CH)</p>	
2	<p>Minutes of meeting on 10 March 26 were agreed as a correct record.</p>	
3	<p>Treasury report Bank account £5405. Accounts for 2025-26 will be submitted to our Independent Examiner shortly. Lloyds Bank have announced an increase in charges from 10 July 2026 to £10 per month plus charges for cash paid in or out.</p>	MH
4	<p>Langstone Conservation Group MC reported that sadly the litter situation continues. He has been unable to contact LP by email so will write regarding access to the stream. He has also contacted Tesco with regard to litter and trolley retrieval.</p>	MC
5	<p>LRA AGM The Sailing Club had confirmed we could use the premises on Thursday 21 May. MC agreed to stand for a further year. We will send an email outlining the role of the LRA, format for the AGM and inviting engagement. Cllr Phil Munday has agreed to attend and address the topics of Mill Pond/footpath, Coastal Defence, Local Government Reform.</p>	ALL AL/MH
	<p>Barbara Furdyna, Peter Oliver and Catharine Russell of LVA joined us at 8pm</p>	
6	<p>Wade Lane footpath /Mill Pond progress The live electric cable is due to be 'spiked' to render it safe in the next fortnight. It seems HCC think this will enable work on the footpath to recommence but others believe a failure to apply for an Environmental Impact Assessment will result in delay. This is considered key to conserving the nature of this area and the</p>	JW/AL

	<p>Council's has been remiss in not commissioning it. The Assessment should be conducted by an independent body. This is important and both the LRA and LVA will be monitoring developments for compliance. We discussed how to manage the wall repair ourselves including revival of quotes and how to fund the project. Also how to maximise offers of technical help from CP and HBC.</p> <p>We have endeavoured to get a new statement from Natural England that supports the repair of the collapsed wall and footpath, should the community support it.</p>	
7	<p>Flood Defence progress</p> <p>Nothing new to report, except both the LRA and LVA need to understand why any delay to the millpond footpath might cause further unwelcome delay to the greater Langstone defence plan.</p>	AL
8	<p>Planning for Langstone in a changing political environment (Devolution)</p> <p>LVA representatives suggested the proposed questionnaire should be in line with Community Governance guidelines, so the options would be; stay the same LVA & LRA, Area Forum or Parish Council. In due course, it was considered that resident input should be invited from a wider area and include all on the electoral role from the bypass to the Hayling bridge and not be limited to members of the LRA and LVA.</p>	AL/SB
9	<p>A.O.B.</p> <p>Railway Cottages</p> <p>BF reported that she had contacted the Council about the lack of progress on that planning permission and requested screening of the site, in the interim.</p> <p>SM raised concerns about the guard dogs at the former Railway Cottages causing a barking nuisance. With dates and times this can be reported as an environmental nuisance.</p>	SM
	<p>Date of next meeting</p> <p>Tuesday 12 May 7.30 pm. Venue Mulberry, 3b Mill Lane</p>	
	<p>The Chair closed the meeting at 9.25 pm</p>	

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