

Meeting of Hodsock Parish Council

Minutes of **Hodsock Parish Council Meeting** held on the 13th Jul 2026 at Langold Village Hall, the meeting commenced at 5:00pm.

Council Members & Officer Present:	Cllr Sandy Walker	Chairman
	Cllr Graham Coe	Vice-Chair
	Cllr Jack Bowker	Cllr Gill Freeman
	Cllr Jackie Wilkinson	Cllr Nick Smith
	Cllr Mel Morris	Cllr David Hamilton
	Ed Knox	Clerk/Responsible Financial Officer
Also, Present	Gill Freeman	District Cllr
	Kath Walker	Chairman of LVHMC for 1 st item

18/26 To Receive Langold Village Hall Management Committee (LVHMC) Report

A member of the Committee advised an update:

- The smoke alarms have been installed and fire door fitted.
- Several people were interested in the office; the hall committee are waiting to hear back from two interested parties.
- Cllr Morris to pass on to the LVHMC Chairman the contact information for the summer youth group.
- Cllr Walker is going to obtain a price for the installation of a toilet and kitchenette behind the office, the reason being that the office could generate a lot higher income if it had these facilities.
- 21st Aug is the 40th Anniversary of Langold Bingo and this year is also the 50th Anniversary of the opening of the Village Hall.
- Cllr Walker agreed to meet with LVHMC to progress an idea of a joint 50th anniversary party at the hall organised and jointly funded by both the parish council and LVHMC.

19/26 To Adopt the updated agreement document between Langold Village Hall Committee Charity and Hodsock Parish Council

The LVHMC advised that the agreement needed amending following their conversion to a registered charity. After discussion, Cllr Walker **Proposed**, Cllr Wilkinson **Seconded** and the council **resolved** to accept the amended agreement with immediate effect. Cllr Walker to meet with the LVHMC Chairman to sign the necessary paperwork.

20/26 To Receive District & County Councillors Reports

Dist Cllr Freeman: No new update.

County Cllr John: Cllr Walker advised that the 100yrs of Langold bench which Cllr John has covered the cost with a grant for will be installed asap.

➤ Adjournment – (15-Minute Maximum) Public Forum

None.

21/26 To Approve Apologies for Absence

Cllr Perkins did not attend.

22/26 To Record Declarations of Interest in any items to be discussed

Cllr Bowker declared an interest in agenda item 26/28 1.

23/26 To Approve the previous meeting Minutes

After discussion, Cllr Bowker **Proposed**, Cllr Walker. **Seconded** and the council **resolved** to accept the minutes. The chairman signed the minutes of the previous meeting.

24/26 To Discuss the Know Your Place Process

The Neighbourhood Planner held the event in May. The issues raised were a mixture of Police, Bassetlaw District Council and Notts County Council issues. Bassetlaw Council will be publishing the report in due course, once it is live on their website, the PC will publish a link on Facebook and display QR codes around the village. Cllr Bowker **Proposed**, Cllr Walker. **Seconded** and the council **resolved** for Cllr Walker to write to Notts Police, Bassetlaw District Council and Notts County Council highlighting each of the issues pertaining to their areas of influence and ask for a reply to advise what they can do to address any of these.

- 24/26 To Discuss Speedwatch
Cllr Hamilton advised still no progress with making the necessary arrangements with the Police, and he will continue to contact them.
- 25/26 To Note any update on the Youth Activities in the Summer Holidays
Cllr Morris advised that the booking app for the activity days is now live, some days, particularly Mon to Thurs are busier than others.
- 26/26 To Discuss a Cemetery Memorial Safety Inspector
Cllr Walker advised no progress yet, deferred to next meeting.
- 27/26 To discuss an update on Langold Cemetery Matters
Cllr Walker advised that the far end of the cemetery the v shaped area grass would be cut only during July & August once a year so that wildflowers etc can grow there until the time comes when that section of the cemetery is needed for interments.
Three quotes being obtained to remove the dead box hedging (including the roots)
The Cemetery of the year competition has been entered.
Change of Annual Tree inspector, the Clerk advised that Notts County Council no longer offer a tree inspection service, a recommended company, Wharncliffe Trees & Woodland Consultancy have been approached, and they will offer the same style report, for a similar price. After discussion Cllr Walker **Proposed**, Cllr Bowker. **Seconded** and the council **resolved** to use Wharncliffe Trees & Woodland Consultancy for the annual inspections with immediate effect, they will undertake the inspection by the end of August.

28/26 Finance:

Payments & Receipts

After discussion of the Financial Information, circulated by email before the meeting, the council unanimously **resolved** to accept them as a true and accurate record and the Chairman signed the bank reconciliations and statements.

1. To Approve Payments:

The Council **approved** the following: -

<u>Payee</u>	<u>Item</u>	<u>Amount</u>
Rent-A-Cut Ltd	Cemetery Maintenance & Liaison Officer May	£1,026.50
Rent-A-Cut Ltd	Cemetery Maintenance & Liaison Officer Jun	£1,026.50
Rent-A-Cut Ltd	Cemetery Inter Ashes A98 Ball	£135.75
Rent-A-Cut Ltd	Cemetery New grave B35 Proctor	£425
Pear Technology Ltd	Cemetery Annual Fee for Digital Database System	£144
Pear Technology Ltd	Cemetery Annual Fee for Digital Online Mapping System	£114
Cllr Coe	Cemetery Flowers for Planters – Norther Garden Supplies	£40
Langold Village Hall	1 st Half Annual Grant	£10,500
Trik9 L Readhead	Langold Skate Park Graffiti Works	£1,500
Bowker Plant Services	Village Hall New Fire Door	£850
Lengthsman Expenses	Disel, Line Marker Spray, Painting Equipment, Electrical Fittings	£225
M.Cree	Internal Audit	£125
Total Payments		<u>£16,111.75</u>

2. Receipts:

<u>From</u>	<u>Item</u>	<u>Amount</u>
Memories In Stone	Cemetery A118 Memorial Fee	£105
Coop Funeracare Ltd	Cemetery Proctor B35 Interment + EROB	£1,890
Member of Public	Cemetery Misc Payment	£5
Unity Bank	Interest	£287.84
Total Receipts		<u>£2,287.84</u>

Unity Trust Bank

Current Account

£28,833.50

Deposit Account

£59,484

Grand Total All Bank Accounts

£88,327.50

Direct Debits (Cemetery Lilli Waste, Water Plus, Bank Charge) and Standing Orders for staff salaries including PAYE and Pension & Lengthsman Services, previously **approved**.

Budget/Ringfenced items:

• Christmas Lights	£4,115.37
• Cemetery	£7,874
• County Cllrs Bench	£850
• Total Earmarked Reserves	<u>£12,839.37</u>
• General Reserves/Operating Costs	£75,488.13
• Total	<u>£88,327.50</u>

29/26 To Note any Planning Responses via the Scheme of Delegation

Since the previous meeting the parish council responded via the scheme of delegation as follows and discussed the following at today's meeting:

25/01258/HSE - Erect Two Storey Rear Extension and Front Porch Extension - 61 Church Street Langold S81

9NW– The Council responded as follows: *“The Council supports the application without further comment.”*

There being no further business, the Chairman thanked everyone for their contributions and closed the meeting at 6:00pm.