

LANGSTONE RESIDENTS' ASSOCIATION

Minutes of the Langstone Residents' Association Committee Meeting held on
7:30pm Tuesday 14 October 2025 at 6 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) Sally Taber (ST) Apologies from Sarah Maclellan & Carolyn Holland</p>	
2	<p>Minutes of meeting on 9 September 25 were agreed as a correct record. These will be posted on the website together with a note of the date of next meeting.</p>	MH
3	<p>Treasury Report Bank account £6660. AL & SM have signed up for internet banking. Lloyds bank have announced they are closing the Havant branch on 19 January 2025. It was agreed that we apply for a debit card on this account so we can pay in money at the Post Office or withdraw cash if required. MH has the forms for AL & SM to complete. Agreed to pay MH expenses of £30.66, and two annual payments Havant Civic Society £25 and Friends of Langstone Harbour £50.</p>	AL/SM
4	<p>Langstone Conservation Group The new fence by the renewed pathway (footpath 51) by the Langbrook stream restricted access for litter collection. MC to explore options. Next collection will be the foreshore area.</p>	MC
5	<p>LRA in a changing political environment Four of us met with the LVA and heard Anne Skennerton share the experience of Hayling Island's Resident's Association as they explored becoming a parish council, should HBC no longer exist. Langstone is in a different position as we do not have assets. It is uncertain how local government will be organised in the future, so we should monitor developments and continue to work alongside the LVA, with the aim of representing the residents of Langstone effectively for the future.</p>	

6	<p>Footpath 51 – Havant station to Hayling</p> <p>The renewal of footpath 51 along the Langbrook stream is almost complete. Street lighting is awaited before it is open to the public. The new footpath is part of the proposed shared cycleway which continues northwards under the A27 and past Tesco. The committee wonders how these sections are nearing completion when the final planning permission has yet to be granted and a Hampshire C.C. report concluded the path under the A27 was too low and too narrow for joint cycle and pedestrian use. Concern has been expressed at the removal of a number of trees.</p>	AL
	Barbara Furdyna, Chair of the LVA sent her apologies	
7	<p>Wade Lane /Mill Pond</p> <p>HBC have largely completed the work of repairing the wall from the Mill Pond along the coastal path as far as the paddock. Avon construction were the appointed contractors.</p> <p>JW reported on another frustrating meeting on 23 September with CP. Noted we are only asking for 23m of wall to be restored. HCC have just removed some of the tarmac path and revealed a cable which may be live. This has stopped the works to prepare for a boardwalk – temporarily. No planning application has been seen for what is proposed. There may be an opportunity to explore options for defending this small stretch of coast, ideally with a wall.</p> <p>In conjunction with the LVA we agreed in principle to fund initial legal advice on the lack of planning permission for the board walk.</p> <p>Also agreed to explore costings for rebuilding the wall.</p>	AL/JW
8	<p>Coastal Partners</p> <p>No progress to report on the implications of the delay in the procurement process.</p>	
9	<p>King Charles III footpath - Southmoor to Mill Lane</p> <p>HCC have installed a boardwalk to the north of Southmoor field near the SSE buildings. A second boardwalk is to be constructed alongside the old gas pipeline leading from the Broadmarch end to the west of Mill Lane.</p>	
	<p>Date of next meeting</p> <p>Tuesday November 11th 7.30 pm. Venue tba</p>	
	The Chair closed the meeting at 9.00 pm	

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