

LANGSTONE RESIDENTS' ASSOCIATION

Minutes of the Langstone Residents' Association Committee Meeting held on
7:30pm Tuesday 9 September 2025 at 8 Langstone Avenue

		Action
1	<p>Persons Present Andy Lewis (AL) Chair Margaret Hellowell (MH) Treasurer & Secretary Sarah Maclennan (SM) Mike Combes (MC) Carolyn Holland (CH) Susannah Britcher (SB) Jon White (JW) Sally Taber (ST)</p>	
2	<p>Minutes of meeting on 15 July 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 £6670. 288 people have subscribed, and we have £82 in donations, so income is £1522. We have subscribers from every street in Langstone. Lloyds have removed Angela Armstrong & David Pattenden from the account and invited AL & SM to sign up for internet banking. Mailchimp has been used about 40 times since April, for LRA, joint LRA/LVA and LGN information.</p>	AL/SM
4	<p>Langstone Conservation Group After a break in August there was a considerable amount of litter to collect in early September.</p>	
5	<p>LVA joint litter pick – 3rd August The level of attendance was low and the shore area was relatively clear of litter. CH is storing the LVA litter picking and Flood Watch equipment.</p>	
6	<p>LRA in a changing political environment In the light of the proposed devolution of powers to Hampshire and the reorganisation of Borough and County Councils we discussed possible effects on LRA communications and the options going forward. It is unclear whether the proposal will go ahead. It was noted that Hayling Island were exploring becoming a Parish Council and Emsworth a Town Council, in order to</p>	ALL

	represent their area. It would make sense to work with the LVA and we should understand their thinking, looking for synergies.	
	Barbara Furdyna, Chair of the LVA & Peter Oliver joined the meeting at 8.15pm	
7	<p>The changing political environment</p> <p>BF & PO confirmed the impact of political changes on Langstone would be discussed at their next LVA Committee meeting. They shared their insights on the thinking of leaders on Hayling Island, commenting that we share common coastal issues and problems with the A3023.</p> <p>BF offered to arrange a Langstone meeting with Anne Skennerton and Wilf Forrow to understand the work Hayling has done so far.</p>	BF/AL
8	<p>Wade Lane /Mill Pond</p> <p>Concern was expressed that rigid decisions had been made and neither Coastal Partners nor Chichester Harbour were likely to make changes. Consequently, we will get a non urgent re-pointing of the footpath wall and a boardwalk over a breach, neither of which will defend the millpond from eventually collapsing into the harbour. At a meeting planned for 23 September with C.P., it is hoped new and more imaginative solutions can be found which protect the millpond.</p> <p>HBC work on the millpond footpath area will start next week.</p> <p>The beginning of work on the Boardwalk is unclear and still no-one has seen a design or evidence of a planning application.</p>	AL/JW
9	<p>Coastal Partners</p> <p>The process of finding a contractor has been stopped because of an error following procurement protocols. There is now likely to be a delay of a year or more while the whole procurement process is restarted. This may have implications for residents and a joint meeting with residents has been arranged for Monday 15 September at the Langstone Sailing Club. There may be opportunity to use the delay to challenge areas of the design which give us cause for concern. In the interim, an update on the project has been circulated to residents.</p>	AL/BF
10	<p>Irreplaceable Habitats</p> <p>SM has raised the proposal to register meadows as Irreplaceable Habitats, with our MP and had a letter of support in response.</p>	
	<p>Date of next meeting</p> <p>Tuesday October 14th 7.30 pm. Venue tba</p>	
	The Chair closed the meeting at 9.20 pm	

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