

ABBERTON AND LANGENHOE PARISH COUNCIL

COUNCIL MEETING – 11th May 2026

A meeting of the Council took place on Monday 11th May 2026 immediately after the Annual Meeting of the Parish Council, at the Village Hall, Edward Marke Drive, Langenhoe.

Cllrs Present - Vicky Weavers
Alan Frost
Steve Wormell
Andrew Crayston
James Lambert
Malcolm Mattck

Also in attendance – 3 members of public and Clerk

030/26	Apologies for absence – CCC Cllr Davidson, CCC Cllr Parsons	
031/26	Announcements – None	
032/26	Public Questions: The Village Hall Open Day was discussed and it was suggested that the Parish Council would have a table.	Cllr Weavers agreed to attend
032/26	Declarations of Interest – None	
033/26	Reports from County and City Cllrs – None	
034/26	Minutes of Annual Parish Meeting and Full Council Meeting – 13 th April 2026 - the minutes of the meeting as previously circulated were agreed as a true record. Proposed by Cllr Wormell and seconded by Cllr Frost.	
035/26	Matters arising from previous meeting not dealt with elsewhere on the agenda: 1. Tree for Queen's Platinum Jubilee for Langenhoe Green – It was agreed that Margaret Palmer-Slatton be given the opportunity to choose the tree. 2. Essex Safer Speed Strategy Response – The Parish Council response to be posted to FaceBook and the Parish Council website	Cllr Mattack to arrange. Cllr Frost to do Facebook Clerk to do website
036/26	Correspondence 1. The Essex County Council (Layer Road, Peldon Road and Rectory Lane Abberton) (30mph Speed Limit) Order 202* - to discuss and make any comments. Parish Council have no objections/comments	Clerk to clarify which roads.
037/26	Planning Applications and decisions received.	

	1. 260658 – Maylock, Mersea Road, Langenhoe, CO5 7LH – Demolition of existing dwelling, construction of replacement dwelling – no objection 2. 260595 – Captains Field, Peldon Road, Abberton, CO5 7PB – Proposed porch to front elevation and orangery to the side elevation - no objection																	
038/26	Finance and Accounts – May 2026 The accounts as previously circulated – schedule 02/26 were agreed for payment. Proposed by Cllr Lambert and seconded by Cllr Wormell Schedule 02/26 <table><tr><td>Anglia Inspection Services</td><td>£165.00</td></tr><tr><td>Zurich Municiple</td><td>£714.16</td></tr><tr><td>J Knight</td><td>£175.00</td></tr><tr><td>A&J Lighting</td><td>£ 60.90</td></tr><tr><td>NPower</td><td>£ 96.48</td></tr><tr><td>J Stobart</td><td>£260.00</td></tr><tr><td>Waltons Tree Services</td><td>£696.00</td></tr><tr><td>L Hills – May Salary & Back Pay</td><td>£362.05</td></tr></table>	Anglia Inspection Services	£165.00	Zurich Municiple	£714.16	J Knight	£175.00	A&J Lighting	£ 60.90	NPower	£ 96.48	J Stobart	£260.00	Waltons Tree Services	£696.00	L Hills – May Salary & Back Pay	£362.05	
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039/26	Bank reconciliation – March and April 2026 Cllr Mattack approved and signed.																	
040/26	Completion and Approval of Annual Audit. 1. To receive and agree the report of the Internal Auditor – Mrs Stobart’s report was accepted. Cllr Mattack thanked the Clerk for the work undertaken in preparing for the Internal Audit. 2. To approve and sign the Annual Governance Statement –Section 1 – Proposed by Cllr Wormell, seconded by Cllr Frost 3. To approve and sign the Annual Governance Statement – Section 2 – Proposed by Cllr Wormell, seconded by Cllr Frost 4. To approve and sign the Certificate of Exemption - Proposed by Cllr Wormell, seconded by Cllr Frost 5. To approve the commencement dates for the Exercise of Public Rights - Proposed by Cllr Wormell, seconded by Cllr Frost All agreed. Cllr Weavers and the Clerk signed the appropriate forms																	
041/26	Approve Clerl’s appraisal and salary increase – to increase Clerk’s salary to SCP 10 – Approved																	
042/26	ECC letter regarding dead/dangerous trees on Markes Piece. 28 days’ notice given to deal with this matter. Clerk has had this work carried out as per Financial Regulation 5.18 at a cost of £696 inc VAT. Noted																	
043/26	Representatives Reports 1. Highways Issues, Footpaths and tree warden – Fingringhoe Road and Abberton Road have been trimmed. 2. Abberton and Langenhoe Community Association –																	

	9th May Quiz Night – very well attended with approximately 100 people Friday Ed's Bar – Fish & Chips Open Day - 17th May Bingo – 31st May Fun Day – 20th June 3. Edward Marke Trust – Lots of plots available 4. Church Matters – church has invested in scaffolding 5. Grasscutting – No report 6. Finance Working Party – No report. To meet to discuss Earmarked Reserves. 7. Property Maintenance – No report. Will look into App as discussed 8. CALC – No report 9. Speedwatch – will be more SW carried out during the good weather. 10. Parish Magazine – the Summer edition has had to be increased to 32 pages at an increased cost of £538.89. 11. RCCE Rural Exemption Scheme Working Party – No report 12. IT Working Party – to obtain quotes for new website.	
	Date of next meeting – 8 th June 2026 at 7.30pm.	

There being no other business the meeting closed at 8.49pm