



Meeting of the LGVS Committee 12th January 2026

Attendees:

James Bowdidge (JB)
Lawrence Dollimore (LD)
Ed Langridge (EL)
Neil Barrimore-Johnson (NBJ)
Lyn Dollimore (LDo)
Jeremy Stirling (JS)
Iain Combe (IC)
Dave Whittaker (DW)
Mark Gamble (MG)

Apologies:

Tim Troy (TT), Harry Harrison (HH), Nick Byrne (NB), Geraldine Byrne (GB), Emma Howden (EH), Emma Stevens (ES)

Minutes of Meeting:

Meeting opened 19:35

1. JB, outgoing Chair, welcomed to the meeting - thanked the Committee for its unwavering support during his tenure, particularly during the difficult time establishing the Pavilion Hub. JB confirmed he is stepping down from the Committee with immediate effect.
2. DW, HH & EH also confirmed they are stepping down.
3. EL confirmed he would be happy to support a new Chair as Deputy. EL nominated IC as Chair, which IC accepted.
4. EL keen to get back to where the LGVS used to be - e.g. beautifying, footpaths, litter picks, etc
5. MG committed to continuing Fete for 2026 - then see if somebody else might want to lead from 2027 on.
6. A proposal to hive off running the Fete to a new account with £10,000 initial funding was discussed. Compliance with the constitution to be checked.
7. The Committee debated how proceeds of the fete would be distributed and

committed to give the fete sub committee an input into the use of the funds generated. Mechanism of this to be agreed.

8. NBJ agreed to assume the role of Treasurer - subject to checking with TT, NB, GB in case they prefer to take on the role. The Committee agreed that EL & IC to be also added to the account Mandate which DW will effect..
9. JS to assume the role of membership secretary with immediate effect.
10. Secretary - MG suggested that an email is sent to members, asking for support. JS to draft email and take over LGVS inbox.
11. EL to sync with JS on Langton Life communication.
12. New Committee to consider approaching the incoming Vicar to join LGVS Committee.
13. The Committee discussed SPC representation and agreed to not invite SPC to join the Committee, given the scale of other commitments.
14. IC asked JB for a summary of Chairman's role which JB will arrange.
15. The Committee recapped on donations from 2024 & 2025 Fete & Party, summarised as follows:

Recipient	Amount (£)
Brownies	500
LG Church	2000
Folly	1000
3H	1000
GACC	500
Thrive	250
Hospice in Weald	250

16. The Committee discussed a request from Lesley Adshead for a £1000 donation to Thrive Langton to carry out trellis fencing and planting at the Thrive Community Garden. The Committee asked for a formal quote. EL to respond to Lesley.
17. AOB - the Committee noted the invitation to SPC Annual Parish Meeting - 13th April @ Pavilion
18. AOB - the Committee raised if the Constitution needed changing; IC confirmed the current version would be adhered to until further notice.
19. AOB - EL raised that the Commons are for sale. Long standing ethos that LGVS would protect them. EL suggested a small donation could be considered.
20. AOB - LD raised that two cherry trees had been cut down on the Green. To be discussed at the next meeting.

Meeting closed 20:40.