Meeting of the LGVS Committee 18th Feb. 2026

Lawrence Dollimore (LD)
Neil Barrington-Johnson (NBJ)
Lyn Dollimore (LDo)
Jeremy Stirling (JS)
Iain Combe (IC)
Mark Gamble (MG
Chris Smith (CG)

Apologies:
Ed Langridge, Nick Byrne (NB), Geraldine Byrne (GB), Emma Stevens (ES)
Helen Fuller (HF)

Minutes of Meeting:

IC welcomed Chris Smith and noted that Nick and Geraldine Byrne would also be joining the committee but were unable to attend this evening. The committee were also delighted that HF would return as Membership Secretary.

For the benefit of new members the committee outlined their various roles.
IC - Chair
EL - Vice Chair
JS - Monitoring Gatwick developments
LD - Webmaster
LDo/LD - Planting/Hanging Baskets
MG - Fete Committee Chair
NBJ - Treasurer (temporary until long term replacement is appointed).

Declarations of potential conflicts of interest:
IC - Committee member local cycling group.
JS - None
LD - Car Club
LDo - None
MG - Treasurer of Langton Green Parish Church, Thrive Trustee
NBJ - Parish Counsellor
EL - Langton Life Director (Post Meeting Note)

1 . Aims and Objectives
LGVS 'Aims and Objectives' are set out in the Society's constitution.

- Work for the interests of the village and it's residents, to make Langton Green a better place to live.

- Maintain LG as a village in it's own right.
- Protect the village, it's character and institutions, especially those run for the benefit of the village.
- Work with the relevant organisations to ensure that the interests of LG are fully understood.
- Co-operate and work with local and national bodies involved in these objectives.

2. Society Activites

LD tabled a list of activities the society undertakes (copy attached). Volunteers to organise these were requested both from the Committee and the wider membership. All

3. Communication with membership

IC felt more direct face to face contact with members and prospective members would increase uptake and involvement in activities. Local Neighbourhood Watch committees might be an existing network that could be utilised.
Use of flyer distributed with LL to be considered. LD/LL/IC

4. Communication within the committee WhatsApp Group to be formed. IC

5. Previous Minutes

Previous minutes were agreed with the following exceptions
Item 6 - A separate Fete float fund had already been set up by DW.
MG confirmed that the LGVS Treasurer was a co-signatory keeping the arrangement in line with the LGVS constitution. NBJ noted that NatWest had been less than helpful in transferring the mandates for both accounts and he had yet to gain access, NBJ to co-ordinate with DW on his return from holiday). NBJ

6. Matters Arising from Previous minutes

Item 7 - Disposal of Fete surplus – Following discussion the following was agreed:

- MG to prepare a list of charities that could be agreed with LGVS prior to the Fete to help motivate volunteers. MG
- Once the financial outcome of the Fete was known a joint meeting of the Fete and LGVS committees would agree the distribution of monies to LGVS and charities MG to forward Fete Committee structure. MG

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LD expressed concern that the LGVS had a long history of running the fete as attractions provided and that in recent years, increasing emphasis has been placed on becoming more financially successful, it is in danger of out pricing many village familes espcially in food offers.

Item 12 - EL has written to the vicar but has not yet received a response.

Item 16 - POST Meeting Note: DW has passed £900 to Thrive re. their request for fencing and planting.

6. 7. Gatwick

JS stressed the importance of potential developments at Gatwick to the village future. Currently the government were reviewing the consultation report. JS to maintain a watching brief. JS

8. Planting and Hanging Baskets

Planters had been utilised to good effect on the Langton Road but NBJ considered approval for further planters would be difficult to achieve. Inspection of lamposts to be co-ordinated with adjacent inspections to allow the potential for baskets to be hung this year. LDo

9. AOB

Website - LD suggested a link to Thrive might be added to the LGVS website. MG agreed. LD

Car Club – MG requested LD to arrange for the Car Club to 'show' at the Fete LD

10. Next Meeting

30/03/26 - 7:30pm at The Hare.