## Langley with Hardley Parish Council

## **Minutes of Meeting**

## Held 7.30 pm Tuesday 2 May at Langley with Hardley Village Hall

Councillors present: Mr N Sullivan (Chair), Mr A Timmins (Vice Chair), Mr M Caston, Mr R Watson, Mrs L Starman and Mr J Wheeler.

Also present: None

Members of the Public: None

- 1. Apologies for Absence Mrs F Kirkpatrick
- 2. Declarations of Interest None
- 3. Dispensations for Disclosable Pecuniary Interests None
- 4. Minutes of the Previous Meeting None. Despite several requests the Parish Clerk, Ian Mutter, has failed to produce minutes.
- 5. Matters for Discussion
  - **5.1 Clerk of the Parish Council** The Chairman had consulted all councillors prior to the meeting regarding the performance of the clerk. All were in agreement, that despite repeated offers of help and guidance, the clerk had failed to carry out many of his basic duties. Thus there was no alternative but to terminate his trial period of employment. He will be paid for this period following the return of all council property. Mr Mutter has been informed both by letter and email of the decision. The Chairman will contact the bank regarding the change in circumstances and will consult with Lisa Collins and NALC during the interim period.
  - **5.2 Illegal Parking of Caravan** The Chairman has spoken with both Mr Tabor and Mr. Hagger regarding the caravan that has recently been parked at Cross Stone Corner. Although not presently causing problems the caravan is illegally parked and thus in the long term action for its removal should be taken. The Chairman to speak with Mr. Hagger again.
  - **5.3 Quiz Night** This raised £177 towards the play area funds. Thanks given to Mrs Starman who organised the event and to Graham who fronted the event.
  - 5.4 Play Ground application WREN should make a decision during May.
  - **5.5 Footpath Warden** The Council is in favour of a more informal approach i.e. rather than appoint a warden share the checking of footpaths between councillors (each to keep an eye on those closest to their residence). Plans to be displayed on the council notice boards.

The continued problem of old newspapers being scattered along the Langley Road/ Staithe Road area was reported.

Dated:-

Signed :-