

Lynsted with Kingsdown Parish Council
Minutes of a meeting held on Monday 24th November 2025
At Lynsted Church, Lynsted Lane at 19.30

Present: Cllrs Speed (Chairman); Linda Morgan; Louise Morgan; Bott; Tiller; Langdon-Bassett and M Mulley (Clerk). PC Divers joined meeting at 20.10

Meeting commenced at 19.30

1. Chairman's Introduction Chairman thanked everyone for attending.

2. Apologies for absence Cllrs Stewart; Langdon-Bassett; Delaney (Vice Chair) Louise Morgan & Lehmann (KCC)

3. Declarations of Interest None

4. To confirm the minutes of meeting held on Monday 27th October 2025

Proposed NT Seconded Linda Morgan

5 Matters arising from minutes of meeting on Monday 27th October 25 None

6. Time for members of the public to address Council None

7. Update from Borough Councillors

SBC budget out for consultation following cross party discussions.

Proposal to amend parking charges and minimum stays.

Still problems with a small number of waste collections.

Community governance review taking place which examines the role of parish and town councils.

Local Government Review - Option 4b Swale/Ashford/Folkestone & Hythe is SBC's preferred option. There will be a public consultation in 2026 but Government will make final decision.

Environmental Health/SBC have been contacted regarding the property on the left as you go out of Teynham on the A2 towards Faversham. It does not appear to have a waste disposal certificate.

8. Update from County Councillor - Not present

9. a) Receipts £34.68 interest 32-day Account

b) Payments £702.45 Clerks Wages Nov 25

£177.80 HMRC-PAYE Nov 25

£567.92 Streetlights

£447.60 Defib

£273.46 SSE-Aug

£308.23 SSE- Sept

£1000.00 Lynsted Church

£4.25 Lloyds bank charges

£390.91 SSE-Oct

£35.00 Whitstable Designs -.gov domain name

c) Bank rec & statement Bank statement signed by Chairman

d) Clerks Wage Review

A 5% increase on Clerks wages from £10,563 to £11,091 was agreed. Proposed JS
Seconded Linda Morgan

e) Donations

It was agreed to defer donation decisions until the end of the financial year in March 2026
Hopper bus request also to be deferred to March 2026

Cllr Bowen left meeting at 20.00

f) Budget/Precept 2026/2027

Budget figures were discussed and amended. It was decided to increase the precept from
£35,446 to £38,990 which was a 10% increase. Proposed JS Seconded NT

g) Highsted Accounts

Payments £8.66 Lloyds bank charges
 £2,000 Simon Barnes (3 of 3)

Receipts £290.80 Go Fund Me receipts
 £125 Private Donations
 £607.00 Fund raiser
 Total received since last minutes £1,022.80

Once last invoice has been paid, balance to be transferred into a deposit account to save paying
charges. **Balance in bank on 17/11/25 is £11,816.61**

PC Divers joined meeting at 20.10

Kids on bikes causing damage to grass areas being monitored.

Any problems report via My Community Voice

Beat officers have been increased. It is hoped there will be one beat officer per ward.

On 23/12/25 a gaming bus will be at the village hall in Teynham 1pm to 3pm - see noticeboards
for details

PC Divers left meeting at 20.40

10 Planning-New Applications

25/504477/LDCEX Lawful development certificate for existing use as a residential dwelling in
breach of Agricultural Occupancy Condition of planning permission NK/9/63/72/367 for a period
in excess of ten years, so it's clear it's being used as a dwelling
Anthonys Grove, Tickham Lane. Lynsted Kent ME9 0HW **No objections**

11a Application appeals/update on existing applications/enforcement notices

Five Houses to the West of Cellar Hill – decision awaited.

11b New applications published after issue of agenda None

11c Teynham & Highsted Community Action Group 21/503906/EIOUT and 21/503914/EI0OUT - Public Inquiry

See item 9g for accounts. The inquiry had now concluded. Section 106 not yet been agreed. JS had submitted a report outlining objections on behalf of the community action group.

12 Church Wall

No significant update, conversations between conservation officers and surveyors ongoing
Agenda item next meeting

12a HIP Kingsdown Road

30mph signs appeared to be making a difference through Kingsdown. Next HIP review in early part of 2026 where other concerns will be raised, especially speeding further along Kingsdown Road towards Erriott Wood. **Agenda item next meeting.**

12b Cellar Hill Conservation Area

No one had objected to extension of conservation area; therefore the new area would be designated around mid-December.

12c Lynsted Community Hub/Events.

Coffee mornings going well.

Tree is up on green with switch-on 1st Dec and carols round tree on Thursday 18th Dec at 7pm

Wreath making class on 17/12 was fully subscribed

Pilates/Stretch & release classes going well

12d LKPC domain .org or .gov email address

After discussion it was agreed to check whether clerk@lkpc.gov.uk & chairman@lkpc.gov.uk would be acceptable under the rules. It was agreed that the website address would be changed to lynstedwithkingsdownparishcouncil.gov.uk Proposed JB Seconded NT

Agenda item next meeting

12e Bench Seat - Lynsted Lane

Due to weather conditions, it is unlikely the bench will get painted until better weather in the Spring **Defer until Spring**

12f Bus Stop – Lynsted Lane

Still waiting to see if the grant has been successful however, it was unlikely the work would be carried out until Spring **Defer until Spring**

12g Vicarage Farm – Illegal waste

Pictures had been taken of the waste and would be sent to the environment officer

Agenda item next meeting

13 Correspondence

St Catharine's Church. The Clerk had received an email asking if LKPC owned the burial ground at St Catharine's Church in Kingsdown. The Clerk informed the person that the PCC owned the ground. No other action taken. **Duly noted**

Strimming in Lynsted. The Clerk had received an email asking if it were possible not to have the area around Forge Cottage strimmed by Blenwood contractors, as each time they did it stones had flown up and damaged their windows. Under PCC jurisdiction. **Duly noted**

14 Consultations None

15 Complaints None

16. AOB None

17 Meeting schedule

December 2025 **This meeting is rescheduled to Monday 15th December 2025**

Monday 26th January 2026

Monday 23rd February 2026

Monday 30th March 2026

Monday 27th April 2026

Monday 18th May 2026 - AGM

Monday 29th June 2026

Monday 27th July 2026

NO AUGUST MEETING

Monday 28th September 2026 - APM & Social Event

Monday 26th October 2026 - Budget meeting

Monday 30th November 2026 - Budget/Precept meeting

Monday 14th December 2026

Meeting closed at 22.00

Minutes prepared by Marion Mulley