

**Meeting of the Longcot Parish Council
on Thursday 28 November 2024 7pm
held in St Mary's Church Hall, Longcot**

In attendance.

Council members.

Andi Cunningham, Chair, Amy Cooper and Alan Rich.

District Councillor.

DC Viral Patel.

166/24 Apologies for Absence.

John Barneby (prior commitment), Neil Campbell (prior commitment) and Tina Brock, Clerk (unable to attend). These apologies were approved.

167/24 Variance of business. None.

168/24 Declarations of interests. None.

169/24 Minutes of the Parish Council held on Thursday 24 October 2024.

Council resolved to approve the minutes which were signed by the Chair.

170/24 Matters arising from the minutes. None.

171/24 Public Participation. None.

REPORTS

172/24 County Councillors report. None.

173/24 District Councillors report.

174/24 Chairs report.

FINANCE

175/24 Estimates 2025/2026

- i. Council resolved to approve the estimates 2025/2026.
- ii. Council resolved to set the precept at £8,000.

176/24 NALC's 2024/2025 Local Government services pay agreement.

Council resolved to note and approve the pay increase to be back dated to 1 April 2024. The Clerk is currently on SCP30, 15 hours per month).

177/24 Payments of Accounts.

Council resolved to authorise the payments. Neil Campbell and Amy Cooper signed the invoices as proof of authorisation.

Table 1 List of expenditure.

Statutory Power	Payments due:	Description	Total
EP274 LGA 1972 s134	Longcot Churchwardens	Room hire	£15.00
EP275 LGA 1972 s134	Longcot Churchwardens	Room hire	£15.00
EP276 LGA 1972 S112	T Brock	Oct salary	£259.25
EP277 LG (misc prov) Act 1976 s19	MRH Services	Service inspection of play equipment	£50.00
EP278 LGA 1972 S112	T Brock	Nov salary	£259.25

COUNCIL

178/24 Consultation.

[Enabling remote attendance and proxy voting at local authority meetings - GOV UK](#) . Council resolved that the Chair would respond supporting remote meetings but not proxy voting by the 19th December 2024.

179/24 Policy and Procedures.

Council resolved to approve the Sexual and Harassment Policy and Procedure.

PLANNING

180/24 Submitted planning application(s). Noted.

Table 2 List of submitted planning applications.

Ref.	Planning application number	Address and proposal
i	P24/V2279/FUL	The Homestead, Kings Lane, Longcot, Oxon SN7 7UT <i>Erect single self-build dwelling and garage.</i>

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		<p>Objects. Longcot is a Tier 4 designated village and as such this application does not fulfil the requirements for a tier 4 village.</p> <p>With this in mind, the objections are for this development being outside the envelope of the village on this side of the road.</p> <p>The streetscape of the development within the landscape.</p> <p>The location so close to The Ock and the implications - which include flooding and wildlife</p> <p>The soakaway of any septic tank located so close to the river.</p> <p>There is no drainage plan and we are concerned that it would further affect the drainage into the River Ock at this level.</p>

HIGHWAYS

181/24 Update on any matters.

- i. The Chair would contact OCC to complain about the traffic lights on the A420 causing chaos by drivers diverting through the village.
- ii. A number of cars had been broken down trying to drive through the floods under the railway bridge.

PLAY AREA & TRACK

182/24 Play area.

Nothing to report.

183/24 Track.

Nothing to report

184/24 Update on other current matters. None

ALLOTMENTS

185/24 Update on any matters. None.

CONFIDENTIAL INFORMATION

Exclusion of Press and Public

To move the following resolution, in view of the confidential nature of the business to be transacted it is in the public interest that the public and press be excluded from the remainder of the meeting, and they are requested to withdraw.

186/24 Any Matters. None.

DATE OF NEXT MEETING

187/24 Next meeting of the Parish Council.

TBC

The meeting closed at 8pm.

Signed.....Date.....2025