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The Langford Parish Council Meeting

Langford Village Hall, October 8th 7pm 2015

Present:

Cllr R Kemp – Chairman
Cllr A Bushell – Deputy Chairman
Cllr I Corrigan
Cllr M Harris

- 1. Apologies:** Cllr A Clemmons
- 2. Declarations of Interest** - None
- 3. Approval of Minutes July 2015 Langford Parish Council meeting**
Duly agreed and signed
- 4. Planning Updates from the Parish**
 - 4.1 The Band Hall** – there were two main concerns:
 - a) The container in the field and b) the car park area.

Cllr RK spoke with Miranda Clarke, Planning Officer at WODC, who said that the owners will need to formally apply for planning permission in order to park the cars off the road. LPC agreed it would support off road parking.

However, LPC is concerned that:

- This must not extend the village,
- The land should not be built upon
- The current boundaries should remain

The problems concerning the shipping container have died down but LPC must be mindful to protect the village envelope.

4.2 The Bell Inn

There have been alterations to the original plan in that it has been modified from two stories down to one storey however there is no change to the overall footprint.

The plans include a change to the current access for cars and amendments to the existing wall. They propose that a new access point for cars will be to the left of the tree.

LPC to request if the tree can be saved or if not a replacement tree to be planted

4.3 Cotswold Cottage Barn

No change to the exterior however, there is an addition inside of a kitchen and upstairs bathroom. Cllr AB proposed that LPC should accept the proposal and Cllr MH seconded,

4.4 Update on LPC planning guidelines – it was suggested that LPC link with WODC planning and ensure that we mirror. It was agreed that our existing Langford Planning guidelines should be visible to residents and that once agreed to be uploaded onto the website.

5. Highways and environment

5.1 Notice Board – new board now arrived and it was agreed that Cllrs A C and RK would mount on the wall, removing the old one.

5.2 Leys Footpath – Cllr AB contacted the Browns concerning this and reported that the wall has been cleared. Cllr AB agreed to spray the path and assess.

5.3 Telephone Box – a local resident expressed a wish to have a book exchange and to use the telephone box, It was agreed in principle however, to be mindful that this should not affect the structure neither inside or out. It will require a free standing bookcase.

LPC agreed that a small contribution could be discussed. Should the book exchange cease to be looked after it should be returned to its original condition.

5.4 Playground – Cllr MH agreed to investigate the zip wire

5.5 Defibrillators – a formal letter required to be sent to Tracey Puffitt agreeing an annual contribution of £25.00 towards the electricity costs. A Training Course needs to be agreed. Mr I Burton is keen to set one up.

6. Business Items

Financial report

As of the 7th October, Balance in the Bank £11,560.49 showing high as we have not paid for the speed sign yet – awaiting for invoice from WODC Highways.

7. Possible outflow of grey water/sewage from the water treatment plant at the back the Elms

Cllr IC visited the site and stated no sign of leakage or smell; however it was dry at the time. Cllr IC said he will revisit in November when the weather is wet.

The meeting closed at 8.20pm

The next meeting of Langford Parish Council is December 10th

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