



Langford Parish Council Meeting 7pm

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January 31st 2019

Present Councillors:

Richard Kemp (R K) Chairman, Mark Harris (M H) Vice Chairman
Ian Burton (I B) Andrew Clemmons (A C) Ian Corrigan (I C)

Draft Minutes

1. **Apologies : None**
2. **Declaration of Interest: None**
3. **Approval of the LPC minutes dated** January 31st Langford Parish Council meeting, these had been previously circulated and approved by all.
4. **Matters arising** from previous meetings, not on this agenda: None
5. **Planning**
Planning updates from the Parish:
5.1 Maiseys Barn- revised application now approved
5.2 Chapel House -No objections. LPC supported the application and were content that the existing stained glass window is to be retained and that matching stone is to be sourced.
6. **Highways and environment**
6.1 Playground update: regular inspections are taking place and no issues found.
The annual ROSPA playground safety inspection is due in April 2019.
6.2 Village Maintenance: Cllr I C has reported several times to Fix My Street, the drain/pothole opposite Church Row, since August 2018. To date nothing no action has been taken by Highways. He will now highlight this directly with Highways as it is becoming a safety hazard for vehicles, cyclists and pedestrians alike.
Cllr I C agreed to check and report a similar issue of blocked drains opposite Faircroft - Filkins End.
6.3 Village Plan: Cllr M H reported that he had not received any response/update from W.O.D.C.

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6.4 **Update concerning replacement/repair of bollards** at the war memorial

6.41 Bollards: Cllr R K confirmed that the bollards at the War Memorial are due to be installed in March as soon as the weather improves.

6.42 Repair: It was agreed to investigate further the cracks at the base of the war memorial. This had been reviewed by a local stone mason; however it was his opinion that a more complicated repair was required than previously anticipated. Cllr M H commented that LPC could apply for a grant from the War Memorial Association, towards some of the cost of repair, however three independent quotations would be required prior to submission. Cllr I B agreed to take over the action from Cllrs R K and M H.

Village Activities

6.5 Village website update: The website is now functional and regular postings from the LPC are uploaded.

6.6 Local Activities support fund

A discussion was held concerning the frame work and objectives of this project. It was suggested that it could be a way forward to help provide additional support, where appropriate, for both the young and elderly. Options put forward included:

- a) Development of a Transport share scheme to enable the elderly and people to visit doctors and hospitals etc.
- b) An investment of support in local youth activities.
- c) It was agreed that an amount to be set aside annually for this purpose.
- d) LPC agreed to consider funding applications twice per year, April and November. Details of the projects framework have been published in the Parish Pump and are to be posted on the website along with application forms.

Cllr R K also advised that a local arts festival is to be held at Saint Matthew's church on June 8th & 9th and a village day/fete is also planned for Saturday Sept 7th 2 - 5pm.

6.7 LPC set a date for the annual litter pick: March 10th at 9.30am.
All to meet at the War Memorial.

8. Business Items

8.1 Financial report: £12,972.80 in the Treasurers account and £6,248.25 in the business account

8.2 Accounts to settle: Deposit for the Bollards at the War Memorial

8.3 Ongoing Precept requirements

A discussion took place concerning LPC assets. Cllr RK agreed to meet with the clerk to review the existing LPC Asset register of equipment, installation dates and actions required in order for LPC to risk assess replacement values, leading to ongoing, prudent, financial requirements.

8.4 Elections: Local Parish Elections will take place May 2nd. Details will be advertised on line and on the notice board. Application forms will be available from the Clerk in from Monday March 11.

9 Open Forum for Parishioner's views and issues: None

10. Date of next LPC meeting: March 28th.

There being no further business the meeting closed at 20.23pm

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