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**The Langford Parish Council Meeting 7.30pm
Langford Village Hall Thursday January 23rd 2020**

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Minutes

Present: Cllr Richard Kemp, Chairman, Cllr Mark Harris, Vice-Chairman
Cllr Ian Burton, Cllr Andrew Clemmons, Cllr Ian Corrigan

1. Apologies : none
2. Declarations of Interest: None
3. The Minutes of the December Langford Parish Council meeting had been previously circulated and agreed by all. Cllr I B proposed acceptance and Cllr M H seconded,
4. Matters arising from previous meetings, not on this agenda: None

5. Planning

5.1 Planning updates from the Parish

Glebe Farm, Grafton

A question was asked whether this application fell under LPC jurisdiction. It was decided to comment regardless as it is a considerable extension. Any comments to Cllr M H. asap

5.2 Affordable Housing Consultation

1. Noted that WODC had carried out surveying on site behind the school.
2. Distribution of housing needs surveys had been carried out.
3. It was agreed to follow up by email households reminding them to submit surveys by agreed date of 31st January.

6 Highways and environment

6.1 Playground update

Cllr A C reported that although play bark had been delivered before Christmas, the ground was too sodden to lay the bark. The play bark will be laid once the weather improves and the ground dries.

Cllr A C and I C agreed to review the status of wood on playground equipment to check what repairs, if any, may be required. Any required work to be finished by the end of March before the ROSPA visit in April.

Signed.....

Richard Kemp, Chairman

6.2 Discussion concerning Village Maintenance

6.21 All current highway issues have been reported on “Fix my Street”.

It was agreed that due to lack of response to road maintenance and the severity of repairs required on all three main routes through the village, Cllr R K agreed to draft a letter to O.C.C. Chief Executive and copying Cllr Peter Handley and Robert Courts, MP. A copy to be sent to LPC members for comments prior to its dispatch.

6.22 Flooding of Roads

Several roads in Langford recently flooded including the Broadwell Road and outside Ansell’s Farm. The drains at Church Lane and also near the Elms are blocked. These will be included in letter to Highways.

Cllr M H commented that although WODC had raised an action plan for flooding in 2007 it was not being implemented.

6.23 Bins left at the Roadside

Councillor R K agreed to send a letter to residents at the Gardens, asking them not to leave bins on the concrete plinth, opposite the Old Crown, after collections had taken place. They could be fined by WODC by doing so.

6.24 Path from the Gardens to the field

The Old Coal yard path has been badly eroded by Gigaclear works and walkers. The path requires re-instating to its original condition. A quote to be organised for work to be carried out in the Spring..

6.3 Update on War Memorial completed repairs

Cllr I B reported that the repairs to the War Memorial had been completed by the appointed contractor.

The War Memorial completion report had been completed and submitted.

LPC awaiting claim to be paid (circa £250.00).

6.4 Stiles.

Councillor A C reported that WODC were no longer replacing wooden stiles and propose to replace with self-closing gates.

6.5 The annual Litter Pick date was agreed for March 22nd Sunday 9.30am

7 Business Items

Financial report, Settling of Accounts

The Clerk reported:

1. Treasurers Account Balance: £12,739
2. Business Account Balance: £6,249

LPC recorded its sadness at the passing of Mr Richard Kirby and passed a resolution to recognise his long service to the village and Langford Parish Council.

Cllr R K proposed a donation of £100 to go to Leukaemia Research in recognition of his service and Cllr MH seconded.

Date of next meeting March 19th

There being no further business the meeting closed at 20.10pm

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