



**Langford Parish Council Meeting
17 November 2022 at 7.00pm
The meeting was held at
Langford Village Hall
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Draft Minutes**

Present Councillors: Richard Kemp, Chairman, Mark Harris, Vice Chairman
Ian Burton, Andrew Clemons, Chris Kearns, County Councillor Nick Leverton
Clerk, Caroline Parsons
Members of the Public: CS GB

1. **Apologies received:** None
2. **Declarations of Interest :** None
3. **The minutes** of September's meeting had been previously circulated and were agreed by all.
The Chairman duly signed the minutes as correct.
4. **Matters arising** from previous meetings, not on this agenda: None
5. **Planning updates from the Parish including:**
 - 5.1 **1 & 2 Lechlade Road**

The property owner GB attended the meeting to update the PC on the development. He and his architect have had lots of discussions with the Planning Officer and will shortly submit amended plans, after withdrawing the previous application. He produced a drawing showing that the front doors have been returned to their original position, No 2 has retained the separate outbuilding, with the extension being stepped back. Cllrs MH and RK both advised that the revised proposal, as per the drawings shown at the meeting answered a lot of the PCs concerns and a big improvement on the original plans

The Laurels - JS has not responded to the PCs letter, the Clerk to chase for a response

Langford Cricket Club. Cllr MH advised that he had been shown the proposed plans for a new Pavilion and had some questions. Cllr RK and MH had a meeting with Tom Stevens at the club who outlined the Clubs strategy. They will hold an open event for parishioners to come and look at the plans.
 - 5.2 **Update on affordable housing** - no progress
 - 5.3 **Cllr RK email to WODC and their reply, relating to local connections in allocating social housing**-Cllr RK has a meeting arranged with WODC to discuss,

Signed by..... Richard Kemp, Chairman

6. Highways and environment

6.1 Playground repairs Cllr MH has nudged MS again

6.2 Public rights of way - general state of repair and Church Lane

General state of repair - Cllr RK and IB to liaise with regard to Cllr IB possibly making a map that would be used by Cllr RK in identifying footpaths and landowners

Church Lane - the footpath runs diagonally over the field from Church Lane and the landowners have fenced the whole field, splitting it into three different parts.. They are aware that this is a public right of way and asked if the PC were happy for the footpath to be diverted to around the edge of the field. If not they are prepared to place stiles over each fence, with dogs having to be kept on leads, away from the horses. After much discussion it was agreed that the PC do not have the authority to offer a viable solution

6.3 WODC Waste Bin charging - WODC have advised that we have to pay for the playground bin due to a change in their policy. Cllr advised PC to strongly object to this.

County Councillors Nick Leverton updated the PC on OCCs workplace parking initiative , 20 mph in Witney, council tax increase of 5% next year and WODC land supply issues

7 Business Items

7.1 Financial report, settling of accounts - currently have £ 12361.02 in current account and £5253.25 in reserve. Schedule of payments as per attached were approved

7.2 Precept Cllr RK will email a draft proposal to be agreed before next meeting as Precept deadline is 6 January 2023

7.3 Meeting dates for 2023 were agreed as per the attached schedule, Cllr MH asked the Clerk to check the May date is ok, given the election on 4 May

7.4 Christmas tree- is arriving on 1 December. It was agreed that the tree would be decorated on 4 December

7.5 First Aid Courses - Cllr CK will prepare a proposal and forward, with the aim of rolling out the course in Spring 2023

7.6 Coronation. The King's coronation will be on 6 May and discussion took place as to whether the Parish should hold an event to celebrate the occasion. It was agreed in principle that we should hold a partly funded event and that a working party should be set up.

7.7 AOB As there is a PC election on 6 May 2023 Cllr MH asked that thought should be given to how do we encourage villagers to stand for election.

8 Agreement of the next meeting date of Langford Parish Council

It was agreed that the next meeting should be 13 January 2023

There being no further business to discuss, the meeting concluded at 8.35pm

Signed.....Richard Kemp, Chairman

Caroline Parsons Langford Parish Clerk

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