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**Langford Annual Parish Meeting
18 May 2023 at 7.00pm
The meeting was held at
Langford Village Hall**

Draft Minutes

**Present Councillors: Richard Kemp, Chairman, Mark Harris, Vice Chairman
Ian Burton, Andrew Clemons, Chris Kearns, County Councillor Nick Leverton
Clerk, Caroline Parsons**

- 1. The minutes** of the 19 May 2022 Langford Parish Council meeting had been previously circulated and were agreed by all.
The Chairman duly signed the minutes as correct.
- 2. Chairman's Report 2023** was read out, a copy of which is attached and forms part of these minutes.
County Councillor NL reported that a wide range of things were happening at County Hall at the moment
including such issues as OCC budget being stretched due to the cost of living crisis, pothole repair is costing more than previous years due to lack of investment on the roads in previous years. WODC are putting parking meters into Woodstock. CClr NL attended an internal liaison group within WODC, where the biggest issue was the lack of a rural bus service in the District. Most new electric buses are being channelled to Oxford City and not rural areas. Some positives to report are that Oxfordshire has one of the highest reading skills in schools in Europe. Social care, specifically getting people out of hospital and giving support at home is much improved
He thanked the Parish Council for being so welcoming
Cllr RK thanked CClr for taking the time to come to our meetings and for all his help
Cllr MH asked CClr NK if there was any progress on a proposed fire station in Carterton. There is £5m in the OCC budget for a fire station and police support unit in Carterton, however, the costs have risen to £10m so there is a delay whilst they work out how to cover the increase.

The Meeting then closed at 19.17pm

Signed.....Richard Kemp, Chairman

Caroline Parsons
Langford Parish Clerk

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