



**Langford Parish Council Meeting
25 September 2024 at 7 pm
The meeting was held at
Langford Village Hall**

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**Present: Councillors RK, Chairman, MH, Vice Chairman, IB, AC, CK, CCL NL
Clerk, CP**

- 1. Apologies received:** None
- 2.. Declarations of Interest -** None
- 3. Agreement of the July 2024 LPC meeting minutes were agreed and signed**
- 4. Matters arising from previous meetings, not on this agenda -** None
- 5 CCL NL update**

OCC are reluctant to say when Botley Road will reopen
Park and Ride at Eynsham, will possibly be 2027 before funding is received to join the main carriageway.
CllrNL has had a meeting with OCC Highways who are looking to put more emphasis on providing a better service. FMS changes aren't working.
Lack of gully emptying is a major factor in flooding, however there are only three gully emptying vehicles serving Oxfordshire, so OCC are trying to preempt possible areas of flooding
The new Government wants more houses to be built. WODC housing target has gone from 500 to 900 per annum
North of Carterton, there eventually could be up to 6000 more houses built, however, Carterton TC are trying to ensure that there will be sufficient new dentists, doctors, pubs etc to service this number
Cllr NL happy to drive parishioners to covid vaccination
Large uplift in homelessness in Oxfordshire, due to lack of suitable accommodation
Cllr NL has funds available in his priority fund if there are any suitable projects in the village

Signed byRichard Kemp, Chairman

6. Planning

6.1 Planning updates from the Parish

Cllr MH advised that it appears that 1 and 2 Lower Farm Cottages have resubmitted their earlier plans, which have been approved.

The Laurels decision is still undecided, however the drainage officer has just signed off his report. There has been a complaint from a parishioner advising that the sewage plant at The Bell is smelling. Councillor RK to liaise with the pub and contact WODC if necessary

6.2 Update on Land Registration - Cllr IB advised that there is nothing to report on The Pitts.

He asked whether the PC should start the registration process with the Land Registry for Bushes Orchard Lane. It was agreed that he should

There has been a query regarding a footpath at Rectory Farm, it was agreed that Cllr IB should query this anomaly with OCC

6.3 Update on Community Land Project - Progressing slowly, the PC has been asked if it would accept an overage agreement, it was agreed that the PC would.

If nothing happens before then Cllr RK will chase HL in a weeks time

7. Highways and Environment

7.1 Playground - LK is doing playground checks weekly and reporting back to RK

Cllr AC advised that his father in law may be able to repair the rotten wood highlighted

In the ROSPA report, he just needs photographs of the affected items. The tractor trailer also need repair as the slats are broken . The rope swing is also squeaky

7.2 Gas main leak at Broughton Poggs - after discussion it was agreed that Cllr IB would

contact Wales and West Utilities to ask what their proposed course of action is, as it appears that further leaks could occur due to the large length of ductile pipes that still need replacing.

The PC will need to amend their emergency plan, as necessary

7.3 Maintenance jobs around the village= Cllr RK will circulate a list of jobs

7.4 Winter preparedness /salt - the PC still have salt reserves stored at Anells Farm so don't need any this year

8 Business items

8.1 Financial report and Settling of accounts- the clerk reported that the Treasurers account stand at £6283.13, Reserves account at £5048.5 and Fixed deposit account at £10000. Payments as per the payment schedule, previously circulated, where approved. Final instalment of £3000 precept has been received

8.2 OALC Proposed increase in Subscription cost - agreed

8.3 AOB - The question of winter fuel payments being stopped by the government was discussed and whether there are ways that the PC could help parishioners. Cllr CK will ask his contact at CAB as to what advice they are giving out. The Legacy Charity is reviewing heating grants after the budget on 31 October

The Cricket Club, as part of their new defibrillator deal will have further training available **in the new year.**

SignedR Kemp, Chairman

9 Date of next meeting -20 November 2024

There being no further business, the meeting closed at 20.20pm

Signed.....R Kemp, Chairman