

## LANGFORD & ULTING PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF A MEETING OF LANGFORD & ULTING PARISH COUNCIL HELD ON TUESDAY 1<sup>st</sup> APRIL 2014 AT LANGFORD & ULTING VILLAGE HALL.

Present: Councillors: Andrew Tween, Irene Allen, Vicky Anfilogoff and Kathy Palmer  
In the Chair: Councillor Andrew Tween  
Clerk: Jenny Clemo  
Also present: 4 members of the public

### 14/41. **Apologies for absence**

No apologies received.

### 14/42. **Minutes of the previous meeting**

The minutes of 4<sup>th</sup> March 2014 having been previously circulated were taken as read, agreed and signed by the Chairman.

### 14/43. **Declarations of Interest**

No interests declared.

### 14/44. **Matters for information from previous meetings**

14/25. Speed Indicator Device – The clerk was asked to report to Highways again as the device had not been fixed.

14/32. Grass cutting – Maldon District Council will commence cutting the churchyards week commencing 7<sup>th</sup> April. Cllr. Allen volunteered to level out the mole hills and remove large stones.

14/33. Replacement trees at Village Hall – A group of representatives from the Village Hall Management Committee and the Parish Council had planted two lime trees and a silver birch at the village hall in compliance with the permissions granted. The clerk had emailed the Tree Officer.

### 14/45. **District Councillor's report**

Apologies received from District Cllr. Bass.

### 14/46. **Public Question Time**

Not required.

### 14/47. **Planning Matters**

a) Planning applications received.

TCA/MAL/14/000139 – T1 Sycamore – Removal of two lower branches. T2 Sycamore – Remedial work following loss of branches during storm including re-shaping where necessary. T3 Sycamore – Remove. T4 Cedar Deodara – Reduce crown by approximately 5 metres. Luards Farm, Ulting Lane, Langford .

b) Planning decisions received.

TCA/MAL/13/01170 – Beech – Reduce height by 5-6m and remove up to 3m width all round, retaining shape. Maple – Prune to match height of beech. All were allowed to proceed. Langmere, Maldon Road, Langford.

### 14/48. **Correspondence**

a) Essex Replacement Minerals Local Plan – Notification of Proposed Main Modifications. Comments on the proposed main modifications to be submitted by 24th April 2014. See:

www.essex.gov.uk/MLPexamination - It was noted that the proposed modifications would not have any effect on the Maldon District.

b) A12 Road Closures – Essex Police had arranged a meeting tonight to discuss ways that local congestion could be minimised when an incident occurred on the A12. Unfortunately Cllr. Tween was not able to attend due to the clash with the Parish Council meeting.

c) Mobile Library Service – Notification that the stop at Little Hills would cease from 30<sup>th</sup> June 2014 had been received. Comments to Essex County Council Library Service by 12<sup>th</sup> April.

d) Local Issues – Offer of assistance in addressing matters of local concern had been received from Priti Patel. It was agreed that she would be invited to the Parish Council AGM.

General correspondence to note:

- The Management of Record Rainfalls – Chelmsford Canal Trust talk, 20<sup>th</sup> May 2014 at Langford & Ulting Village Hall. As councillors expressed an interest in attending the talk, the clerk was asked to rearrange the next Parish Council meeting which will now take place on Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> May.
- Heybridge Parish Council invitation to a Quiz Night at the Plantation Hall on April 26<sup>th</sup> 2014 – No one able to attend.
- Emergency Planning Contacts – It was confirmed that Cllrs. Perry and Tween would be added to Maldon District Council's list.

#### 14/49. Finance

a) The following payment was authorised:-

Ernest Doe & Sons Ltd	£347.53	Mower service
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b) Annual Audit – It was noted that the paperwork had been received from PKF Littlejohn. It was agreed that Cllr. Palmer would check the bank reconciliation regularly as required by the regulations.

c) The following cheque raised at the previous meeting was ratified:-

Alphaprint	£338.00	Spring newsletter
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#### 14/50. Proposed Langford Boundary Change

It was agreed that the draft petition circulated before the meeting would be copied and sent out with the June newsletter. Clerk to get maps altered so that the existing and new boundaries appear on one map.

#### 14/51. Ulting Closed Churchyard

It was agreed that the clerk would invite the Hatfield Peverel resident involved in carrying out work in the churchyard to the next meeting to discuss the Parish Council's responsibilities in the closed churchyard.

#### 14/52. Footpaths

Cllr. Tween had walked most of the footpaths in Ulting and they were in good order. There is an issue with field drainage adjacent to Stammers Farm.

#### 14/53. Langford Annual Meeting

None raised.

#### 14/54. Items from the councillors (NEXT AGENDA ITEMS ONLY)

a) Business rates bill – Community shop.

#### 14/55. Date of next meeting

The next meeting will be held on **Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> May 2014** at Crouchmans Barn, Ulting after the Ulting Annual Parish Meeting.

The meeting closed at 9.07pm

Signed:

(Chairman)

Date: