MINUTES OF A MEETING OF LANGFORD & ULTING PARISH COUNCIL HELD ON TUESDAY 16th APRIL 2019 AT LANGFORD & ULTING VILLAGE HALL

Present: Councillors: Vicky Anfilogoff, Irene Allen, Kathy Palmer, Colin Ashby and John

Clemo.

In the Chair: Councillor Vicky Anfilogoff

Clerk: Jenny Clemo

Also present: Four members of the public

19/61. Apologies for absence

None received.

19/62. Minutes of the previous meeting

The minutes of 19th March 2019 having been previously circulated were taken as read, agreed and signed by the Chairman.

19/63. Declarations of Interest

None declared.

19/64. Matters for information from previous meetings

19/41. Tree Surveys – Cllr. Ashby provided the clerk with contact details for tree consultant at Maldon District Council.

19/56. Water Company Sludge beds – It was noted that the resident concerned was keeping the clerk up to date and it was therefore not felt necessary to contact Northumbrian Water.

18/163. Mower – It was noted that a new part was required at a cost of £209.00 + VAT. This was authorised in accordance with Financial Regulation 4.1.

19/65. District Councillor's report

No report received.

19/66. Public Question Time

- Drain cover opposite Langford Lee Cllr. Ashby to send clerk a photo of the damaged cover.
- Oak Trees Letter received from a resident regarding the planning application for a new replacement dwelling. It was noted that it was too late for the application to be called in.

19/67. Planning Matters

a) Planning applications received:

HOUSE/MAL/19/00319 - Demolition of existing outbuilding and new replacement outbuilding. Blackwater Cottage, Hatfield Road, Langford. No comment.

FUL/MAL/19/00343 - New toilets and shower facilities and a new station with outdoor shelter. Museum Of Power, Hatfield Road, Langford. Councillors were concerned about the installation of a septic tank as this area is prone to flooding.

AGR/MAL/19/00398 - Prior notification for an agricultural barn for additional grain storage to allow storage of multiple crops. Langford Hall, Witham Road, Langford. For information only. b) Planning decisions received:

OUT/MAL/15/00419 - Part outline/part detailed (hybrid) application for mixed use development, land at Broad Street Green Road, Maypole Road And Langford Road, Great Totham/Heybridge was refused.

TCA/MAL/19/00131 – T1 Hawthorn – Fell. T2 Robinia – Reduce crown by 4m. T4 Sycamore – Reduce faulted limb to approximately 2m above wound. T5 & T6 Beech – Fell. T7 Beech – Monolith to 6m. Museum of Power Steam Pumping Station, Hatfield Road, Langford was allowed to proceed. **TCA/MAL/19/00132** – T10 Sycamore – Fell. Langford Waterworks, Hatfield Road, Langford was allowed to proceed.

19/68. Correspondence

- a) The Public Sector Bodies (Websites and Mobile Applications) (No2) Accessibility Regulations 2018 The SLCC had advised that they have contacted Cambridge Open Systems who operate Essex Infonet for Essex County Council. The Company are aware of the requirements of the legislation and are looking at ways to make sure the website and its templates are compliant. It was noted that the clerk had changed the website theme as advised.
- b) County Broadband It was noted that an Ultrafast broadband roll out had commenced following a £46million investment announcement. An email from a local businessman who was disappointed that more people had not signed up in Langford had been received following the public meeting held by County Broadband. The clerk had responded.
- c) Superfast Essex Countywide Parish Engagement Event Tuesday 30th April 2019, 7.30pm to 9pm (with arrival, registration and light buffet/refreshments from 7pm). MAB124 lecture theatre, Anglia Ruskin University. Councillors agreed that there was little point in attending.
- d) Pigeon shooting Letter received from resident read out by the Chairman.

19/69. Finance

a) The following payments were authorised:-

	Net	VAT	Gross	
EALC	£108.90		£108.90	Affiliation Fees 2019/20
Mr A Marks	£16.32	£3.27	£19.59	Fuel for mower
KGS Signs	£415.00	£83.00	£498.00	Repaint Ulting village sign

b) The following direct debit payments were confirmed:-

	Net	VAT	Gross	
A&J Lighting Solutions Ltd	£17.12	£3.42	£20.54	Streetlight maintenance (April 2019)
SSE	£32.97	£1.64	£34.61	Streetlight electricity (March 2019)
SSE	£4.32	£0.21	£4.53	Streetlight electricity (March 2019)

- c) Bank Reconciliation Cllr Palmer confirmed that she had undertaken internal control to verify bank reconciliation produced by the clerk for the month of March 2019.
- d) Annual audit information received from PKF Littlejohn.
- e) VAT Reclaim Receipt of £116.08 was noted.

19/70. Neighbourhood Plan

- a) The following changes made to the draft Neighbourhood Plan were considered and approved:
 - Examiner's recommendations
 - New Policy 9 Small scale infill residential development within the settlement boundary of Langford that does not impact adversely on the character and appearance of the surrounding area or living conditions of future occupiers and neighbouring occupiers will be supported where it complies with other policies in the Neighbourhood Plan and the Maldon District Local Plan. In particular proposals should respect the characteristics and local distinctiveness of the Langford Conservation Area. Proposals will be expected to have a direct highway frontage.
 - Revised Policy 10 Developments that are designed to the highest energy standards as set out in the Code for Sustainable Homes will be encouraged. This must be shown in a Design and Access Statement. Unless it can be demonstrated by means of a viability study submitted by the developer that this requirement would undermine the viability of the scheme, either in terms of financial viability or lack of market demand for these products. The developer will be required to demonstrate, to the Planning Authority's satisfaction that this is the case.
 - Revised Policy 11 Support will be given to the installation of new infrastructure including highspeed broadband and mobile networks provided that:
 - Infrastructure is fully integrated into the design of future development proposals; and
 - Where new masts or structures are required, they should be sympathetic to their surroundings.
 - Remove Policy 12 Settlement Boundary

b) It was agreed that the clerk would ask Maldon District Council to carry out a light touch basic conditions review, a light touch policy review by Development Management and the SEA/HRA Screening opinion and the consultation with the statutory consultees.

19/71. Affordable Housing

It was noted that there had been a poor response to the Housing Needs Survey and that the deadline for receipt of completed questionnaires had been extended to 15th April 2019.

19/72. Risk Assessment

The Draft Risk Assessment was reviewed and amendments made were agreed.

19/73. Tree Preservation Order

It was noted that TPO NO. 1/19, Oak Trees, Ulting had been confirmed without modification.

19/74. Items from the councillors (NEXT AGENDA ITEMS ONLY)

19/75. Date of next meeting

The next meeting will be held on Tuesday 14th May 2019 at Crouchmans Barn, Ulting.

The meeting closed at 8.35pm.

Signed:	(Chairman)	Date:	