

MINUTES OF A MEETING OF LANGFORD & ULTING PARISH COUNCIL HELD ON TUESDAY 10th AUGUST 2021 AT LANGFORD & ULTING VILLAGE HALL.

Present: Councillors: Irene Allen, Kathy Palmer, Lester Magness and Colin Ashby  
In the Chair: Councillor Irene Allen  
Clerk: Jenny Clemo  
Also present: None

**21/112. Apologies for absence**

Apologies were received from Cllr. Anfilogoff who was unwell.

**21/113. Minutes of previous meeting**

The minutes of the meeting held on 15th June 2021 having been previously circulated were taken as read, agreed and signed by the Chairman.

**21/114. Declarations of Interest**

None declared.

**21/115. County and District Councillor's reports**

Report from Cllr. Durham received which had been circulated to councillors by email.

**21/116. Public Question Time** (limited to 15 minutes if required).

Not required.

**21/117. Matters for information from previous meetings**

21/100. Clerk had contacted resident and provided details on how to lodge a formal complaint with Maldon District Council. In addition, contact details for Cllr. Jarvis were provided.

21/109. H-Bars installed on Crouchmans Farm Road with no consultation – No response received from Essex County Council.

**21/118. Planning Matters**

a) Planning applications received:

**HOUSE/MAL/21/00615** - Alterations to roof including new windows and juliet balcony to side and dormer windows with rooflights to front and rear. Bamfields Cottage, Bumfords Lane, Ulting. It was noted that this planning application had been approved.

**TCA/MAL/21/00521** - T1 Sycamore - Crown lift to 6 metres from ground, a general 4 metre crown reduction and removal of broken, damaged and diseased limbs. The Croft, Maldon Road, Langford. It was noted that Maldon District Council have placed a Tree Preservation Order on this tree.

**HOUSE/MAL/21/00708** - Proposed single storey rear extension. Mill Cottage, Maldon Road, Langford. The Parish Council agreed that no comment was required.

**FUL/MAL/21/00130** - Remove existing stables and build new garden outbuilding and separate detached cart lodge. Fords Farm House, Hatfield Road, Langford. The Parish Council agreed to object to this application for the following reasons: a) The proposed development is within the curtilage of a Grade II listed building, outside Langford settlement boundary and within the rural countryside. b) The proposed outbuilding and cart lodge are large, bulky buildings with large roof areas which will be visible from the B1019, particularly during the autumn and winter when the roadside hedge loses its leaves. c) The considerable number of large glazed units on the outbuilding are incongruous in a rural building.

**LDE/MAL/21/00755** - Claim for lawful development certificate for existing use for commercial B8. Land Adjacent To Gas Reduction Station, Witham Road, Langford. It was noted that planning permission for the grain store had been approved in 1998 before subsequent commercial use commenced in 2003. It was also noted that there is extant permission AGR/MAL/19/00398) for an agricultural building for additional grain storage on farm land to the east of Langford Hall.

b) Planning decisions received:

**VAR/MAL/21/00038** - Variation of condition 7 on approved planning permission 18/00164/FUL (Conversion of redundant building to form a single dwelling). Maypole Wood, Maypole Road, Langford was approved.

**HOUSE/MAL/21/00275** - Oak framed gazebo/car port. Mill Cottage, Maldon Road, Langford was approved.

**NMA/MAL/21/00538** - Application for non-material amendment following grant of planning permission 15/00419/OUT (Part outline/part detailed (hybrid) application for mixed use development ((v) A relief road between Broad Street Green Road and Langford Road (Detailed element); (vii) Construction of initial gas and electricity sub-stations (Detailed)) was approved. Land At Broad Street Green Road And Langford Road And Maypole Road, Great Totham was approved.

**TCA/MAL/21/00424** - T1 Willow - To re-pollard from 15m to 5.5m. 1 Sugar Mill Cottages, Ulting Lane, Ulting was allowed to proceed.

**TCA/MAL/21/00539** - Conifer hedge (H1) - reduce height by 2m to create formal hedge. Yew (T1) - crown lift to 2.5m and prune branches back from summerhouse to provide 0.5m clearance. Conifer (T2) -crown lift to 2.5m to clear adjacent footpath. Conifer (T3) - fell dead tree. Garden House, Maldon Road, Langford was allowed to proceed.

### 21/119. Correspondence

a) Grounds Maintenance Briefing Note – Verge cutting in the District (circulated to councillors by email).

b) Essex Police – Newsletters and briefings (circulated to councillors by email).

c) Essex Climate Action Commission newsletter and Net Zero – Making Essex Carbon Neutral report (circulated to councillors by email).

d) Langford & Ulting Facebook page – It was noted that a Facebook page had been set up by two residents.

e) It was noted that Maldon District Council had recruited an Employment Support Coach.

f) It was noted that Natural England had announced that coastal access rights commenced on 26.5 miles (42.7 km) of the England Coast Path on the Blackwater Estuary, Essex between Maldon and Salcott. [You can read more here.](#)

g) Combating Antisocial Behaviour On Our Waterways – It was noted that Maldon District Council had provided a Personal Water Craft (PWC) to support the work of the Marine Unit of Essex Police. Find out more [here](#)

h) Hoe Mill – Correspondence received regarding parking and traffic chaos at Hoe Mill. SEPP had been asked to patrol, particularly at weekends and ticket those vehicles parked on double yellow lines.

i) Notification of EALC Annual General Meeting (Zoom), 23rd September 2021 had been received.

### 21/120. Finance

a) The following payments were authorised:-

	Net	VAT	Gross	
RCCE	£44.00	£8.80	£52.80	Annual membership
Chelmer Canal Trust	£20.00		£20.00	Annual membership
Maldon District Council	£99.75	£19.95	£119.70	Grass cutting Ulting churchyard

b) The following direct debit payments were confirmed:-

	Net	VAT	Gross	
A&J Lighting Solutions Ltd	£17.12	£3.42	£20.54	Streetlight maintenance (July 2021)
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SSE	£6.04	£0.30	£6.34	Streetlight electricity (June 2021)
SSE	£37.48	£1.87	£39.35	Streetlight electricity (June 2021)
SSE	£6.22	£0.31	£6.53	Streetlight electricity (July 2021)
SSE	£39.58	£1.97	£41.55	Streetlight electricity (July 2021)

c) Bank Reconciliations - Cllr Palmer confirmed that she had undertaken internal control to verify bank reconciliations produced by the clerk for months of June and July 2021.

d) The following cheque was raised and will be ratified at the next meeting:-

	<b>Net</b>	<b>VAT</b>	<b>Gross</b>	
A Marks	£39.29	£7.86	£47.15	Mower fuel

#### 21/121. **County Broadband**

Camera survey received and email circulated to councillors. The main issue found is that the pipe under the road is narrower than the inlet and outlet pipes either side. The lips where the pipes join causes debris to build up which exacerbates the flooding experienced. Clerk had thanked County Broadband for carrying out the survey.

#### 21/122. **A12 Chelmsford to A120 widening statutory consultation**

See: [A12 Chelmsford to A120 Widening Preliminary Design Consultation June 2021 - Highways England - Citizen Space](#) – 22nd June to 16th August. The Parish Council agreed that the Clerk would respond reiterating the concerns from the previous consultation.

#### 21/123. **Neighbourhood Plan**

- a) Correspondence received from Maldon District Council regarding the Local Development Plan Review and the possible effect on Neighbourhood Plans. It was noted that the letter would be forwarded to the Examiner as requested.
- b) It was noted that Maldon District Council had appointed Andrew Ashcroft as Examiner and that a timetable for the examination had been received.
- c) The draft response to Matters for Clarification received from the Examiner was agreed by the Parish Council. (Circulated to councillors prior to the meeting).

#### 21/124. **Essex County Council Locality Fund**

- a) The Parish Council agreed that a request for a dog bin near the Permissive Path, Ulting Lane, Langford would be submitted. Clerk to request a quotation from Maldon District Council.

#### 21/125. **Neighbourhood Watch**

- a) A request for WhatsApp group coordinators had been received. All councillors present agreed to participate.
- b) A request from the Watch Coordinator to use Parish Council's Privacy Policy had been received. Clerk waiting for a response from Woodham Walter Parish Council to clarify whether this is practical.

#### 21/126. **Consultation to inform Chelmsford Housing Strategy**

See: [Consultation to inform Chelmsford Housing Strategy - Chelmsford City Council](#) – 14th July to 15th September. The Parish Council agreed that no response was required.

#### 21/127. **Maldon District Council - Your Money, Your Say Consultation**

Consultation looks at 2022/23 budget See: [www.maldon.gov.uk/budgetsurvey](http://www.maldon.gov.uk/budgetsurvey) 30th July - 10th September. Councillors agreed that they would respond individually.

#### 21/128. **Items from the councillors (NEXT AGENDA ITEMS ONLY)**

Chelmer Valley Landscape Group update. (Cllr. Magness)

#### 21/129. **Date of next meeting**

It was agreed that the next meeting would be held on Tuesday 14th September 2021 (subject to Village Hall availability) as there would not be enough councillors present to hold a quorate meeting.

The meeting closed at 9.03pm.

Signed:

(Chairman)

Date