

MINUTES OF A MEETING OF LANGFORD & ULTING PARISH COUNCIL HELD ON TUESDAY
20th August 2024 AT LANGFORD & ULTING VILLAGE HALL

Present: Councillors: Irene Allen, Colin Ashby, Jenny Clemo, Kathy Palmer and Lester Magness
In the Chair: Councillor Irene Allen
Temporary Clerk: John Clemo
Also present: District Councillor Simon Morgan

The Chairman opened the meeting by welcoming the temporary clerk and thanking him for covering the gap left by the unsuccessful recruitment process.

24/119. Apologies for absence

No apologies received.

24/120. Minutes of the previous meeting

The minutes of 16th July 2024 having been previously circulated were taken as read, agreed and signed by the Chairman.

24/121. Declarations of Interest

No declarations of interest received.

24/122. Matters for information from previous meetings

22/131. Ulting Village Sign – Cllr. Ashby had spoken to the resident who was busy with harvest.

24/43. Streetlights – No invoices received on new contract as yet.

24/75. Bridleway 5, Langford – Response from Highways received: ‘no further action needed. We have now answered this enquiry with no planned further action.’

24/108. Flooding Witham Road - Response from Highways received: ‘We have investigated and risk-assessed this issue. Our recent inspection of this issue has prioritised it as not as serious as some of the other defects we are aware of, so we have recorded it and will consider it when we are planning future works in the area. This does not mean that this issue is not important to us; we will repair it just as soon as is humanly possible given the constraints explained.’

24/110c) Water on road above Ulting Wick - Response from Flood Team received: ‘Having liaised with the Highways Maintenance team, we can confirm they attended the site on 25th July to jet the pipe which is now all clear and running.’

24/23. Community Engagement Contract 2024/25 – July – 4 PCNs issued, 2 vehicles moved on.

24/123. County and District Councillor’s report


Councillor Morgan reported the following

- Chief Executive of MDC newly appointed for October
- Election complications had been overcome unlike other areas
- Current government is looking to change NPPF
- New housing target has been increased from 244 to 576 new homes a year

24/124. Public Question Time (not required)

24/125. Planning Matters

a) Planning application received.

24/00589/WTPO and 24/00592/TCA - [\(TPO 04/86\) A1 - Group of trees - Vertical reduction by 1m and lateral reduction by up to 1m.](#)  CML Microsystems Limited, Oval Park, Hatfield Road,

Langford. The Parish Council agreed that whilst up to 1m overall reduction to clear powerlines is necessary the final shape of the individual trees should be considered.

24/00580/NMA - [Application for non-material amendment following grant of Planning Permission 22/00840/FULM \(Erection of building for Sui Generis purposes, together with car parking, servicing](#)

[areas and landscaping](#)). Amendment sought: [Reduced width to office building, main entrance to office building set back, colour scheme amended, glazing and shading design modified, warehouse door/dock leveller positions moved, processing area door positions moved, minor interior layout changes, external works revised, roof design and parapet modified.](#) Maldon Salt, 2 Oval Park, Hatfield Road, Langford This was noted by the Parish Council.

24/00569/FUL - [Erection of 3 storey, 66 bed care home for older people with associated landscaping, car parking and access.](#) Land At Broad Street Green Road And Langford Road And Maypole Road Great Totham

The Parish Council agreed to object to the proposal on the basis that this three-storey building is of too great a mass to fit in with the street scene. Concern was raised for the accessibility and safety of residents, and the lack of outside amenity space.

24/00559/WTPO - [T1 on TPO 6/24 Cedar - Fell](#) Chesterton, Maldon Road, Langford. This was noted by the Parish Council.

b) Planning decision received.

24/00390/FUL - Conversion of existing Barn / Store to Annexe. Barn At Church Cottages, Crouchmans Farm Road, Ulting was approved.

24/126. **Correspondence**

a) Essex Association of Local Councils AGM - 26th September at Colchester Stadium, United Way, Colchester, CO4 5UP. Noted by Councillors.

b) Maldon District Conservation Design Awards 2024. The Parish Council agreed that the new foyer and extension to the Museum of Power be nominated. Chairman to action.

c) Transport Strategy for Essex or Local Transport Plan 4 (LTP4) was noted. The consultation closes 22nd September. See: consultations.essex.gov.uk/essex-highways/essex-transport-strategy.

24/127. **Finance**

a) The following payments were authorised:-

	Net	VAT	Gross	
Mr A Marks	£64.18	£12.84	£77.02	Fuel Ulting Lane Green
Maldon District Council	£191.12	£38.22	£229.34	CET April-June 24
Mrs J Clemo	£53.59	£4.24	£57.83	Acting Clerks Expenses
Mr J Clemo	£126.30		£126.30	Clerical services

b) The following direct debit payment was confirmed:-

	Net	VAT	Gross	
A&J Lighting Solutions Ltd	£17.12	£3.42	£20.54	Streetlight maintenance August 2024

c) Bank Reconciliation - Cllr Palmer confirmed that she had undertaken internal control to verify bank reconciliation produced by the clerk for month of July 2024.

24/128. **Double Yellow Lines / Clearway – Hoe Mill**

Acting clerk had attended 2 online meeting with representatives from MDC, SEPP, Essex Waterways, Woodham Walter Parish Council and CCC. Hoe Mill partnership day took place 27th July. Awaiting advice on further action to be taken regarding possibility of a clearway. (SEPP)

24/129. **Overgrown hedges Langford**

Acting Clerk had contacted the Treatment Works manager but no response forthcoming yet.

24/130. **Lord of the Manor of Ulting**

The possibility of setting up a manorial court leet was discussed. The Parish Council agreed to include an item in the next Newsletter to see if there was any interest.

24/131. Maldon Parish and Town Council Forum

Cllr. Clemo had attended the meeting. Topics discussed included: Mid and South Essex ICB consultation draft, Planning, and Elections. Presentations circulated to councillors.

24/132. Items from the councillors (NEXT AGENDA ITEMS ONLY)

- Suggested tree planting at Ulting lane
- Tree surveys closed churchyards

22/133. Date of next meeting

The next meeting will be held on Tuesday 17th September 2024 at Langford & Ulting Village Hall.

The meeting closed at 8.41pm.

Signed:

(Chairman)

Date: