

MINUTES OF A MEETING OF LANGFORD & ULTING PARISH COUNCIL HELD ON TUESDAY
20th JUNE 2017 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: Three members of the public

17/92. Apologies for absence

Apologies were received from District Cllr. Bass.

17/93. Minutes of the previous meeting

a) The minutes of 16th May 2017 having been previously circulated were taken as read, agreed and signed by the Chairman.

17/94. Declarations of Interest

Cllr. Clemo and the clerk both expressed a non-pecuniary interest in item 17/98a) Broomfields being neighbours.

17/95. Matters for information from previous meetings

15/197. Path at Ulting Lane green – Cllr. Allen had taken some photographs. Clerk to send to Northumbrian Water.

17/83a) Parish Council Insurance – It was noted that cover under Mowers & Machinery would not be required once the mower was insured to go on the road and a refund would be due.

17/64. Newsletter – Copy of Smith & Watts quotation received.

17/82a) BT Community Fibre Broadband – An Ulting resident had spoken to BT and this is the only scheme that will provide faster broadband to outlying areas of the parish. If you are interested in being included on a list of those who would like to participate please contact the clerk for information.

17/96. District Councillor's report

No report received.

17/97. Public Question Time (limited to 15 minutes if required).

- Guerilla pothole filler? – It was noted that a pothole on the boundary with Nounsley had been filled

17/98. Planning Matters

a) Planning applications received:

HOUSE/MAL/17/00525 - Construction of a tennis court with open mesh surround fencing. Broomfields, Crouchmans Farm Road, Ulting. The Parish Council agreed to support this application on condition that no external lighting should be installed on the site or fixed to any structure to prevent light pollution in this rural area.

TCA/MAL/17/00453 - Reduce height of 7 Macricarpa trees by 4.5m. Langford Hall, Witham Road, Langford.

b) Planning decisions received:

HOUSE/MAL/17/00161 - Installation of 3No. Velux windows and dormer to rear elevation. Erection of 1.8m high close boarded fence to east elevation, Paddock House, Maldon Road, Langford was approved.

FUL/MAL/17/00203 - Proposed outbuilding for storage of historic motor vehicles with change of use to private garages in association with the main property, land adjacent Orchard Cottage, Hatfield Road, Langford was approved.

COUPA/MAL/17/00427 - Prior approval of proposed change of use of agricultural building to a dwellinghouse (C3), and for associated operational development, Barn A, Middlefield Barns, Crouchmans Farm Road, Ulting was refused.

17/99. Correspondence

a) Superfast Essex Programme Update May 2017 – Circulated to councillors by email.

b) Highway Flooding Update:-

i) LMAL152022 - Maldon Road near Does Corner - Study into drainage improvements. At their March 2017 Panel meeting the MDLHP made a funding recommendation towards this scheme and the suggested works here are now in the Approved Works Programme but were prioritised for the 2018/19 rolling programme of works.

ii) LMAL152023 - Crouchman's Farm Road - Study into drainage improvements. The feasibility study into drainage improvements highlighted works which needed to be undertaken by riparian land owners on existing ditches and needed to be completed before any highway engineering works could be undertaken. Colleagues within Essex County Council Enforcement team were dealing with this matter.

c) 30mph speed limit Langford – Copy of letter from a resident asking Cllr. Durham to reconsider the deletion of the scheme from the Local Highways Panel programme was received.

17/100. Finance

a) The following payments were authorised:-

	Net	VAT	Gross	
Ernest Doe & Sons Ltd	£69.14	£13.83	£82.97	Mower blade
Mrs J Clemo	£625.00		£625.00	Clerk's salary (April-June)

b) The following direct debit payments were confirmed:-

	Net	VAT	Gross	
A&J Lighting Solutions Ltd	£41.90	£8.38	£50.28	Annual street light maintenance visit (2 new lamps + recycling fee)
e.on	£32.98	£1.65	£34.63	Streetlight electricity (June 2017)
A&J Lighting Solutions Ltd	£19.25	£3.85	£23.10	Streetlight maintenance (June 2017)

c) Bank Reconciliations - Cllr Palmer confirmed that she had undertaken internal control to verify bank reconciliations produced by the clerk for months of April and May 2017.

d) c) The following payment was ratified:-

	Net	VAT	Gross	
Mr. N. Spooner	£75.00		£75.00	Internal audit fee (Cheque no: 100915)

e) The Internal Auditor's letter to the Chairman was noted.

f) The following cheques were raised and will be ratified at the next meeting:-

	Net	VAT	Gross	
Came & Co	£168.00		£168.00	Mower insurance
Lavenham Press	£320.00		£320.00	Newsletter

17/101. Neighbourhood Plan

a) Cllr. Anfilogoff reported that subsequent to the decision to progress the Neighbourhood Plan by looking at site allocations to provide a small number of houses on small sites which would fulfill the housing needs of the Parish, the clerk's application for Technical Support had resulted

in a diagnostic call with a consultant from AECOM. This could not be completed until a Call for Sites had been implemented.

b) The draft Call for Sites submission form was approved and would be circulated with the Summer newsletter to all residents and distributed by email to landowners and other interested parties.

17/102. Mower

a) It was noted that DVLA had registered the mower and its Log Book had been received.

b) Mower insurance - Quotations had been received from Came & Company, BJP Insurance Brokers and Rowett Insurance Broking Ltd. Having given consideration to all three quotations it was agreed that the Parish Council should accept the quotation from Came & Company as their existing insurer at a cost of £168.00.

c) Licence plates for mower – The clerk was authorised to purchase license plates.

17/103. Ulting Lane Green

It was noted that vehicles are again, driving over the green. Councillors discussed options for discouraging this and it was agreed that enquiries would be made as to the cost of installing posts.

17/104. Draft Maldon District Design Guide Public Consultation

The Parish Council agreed to support the Design Guide.

17105. Hatfield Peverel Neighbourhood Plan Regulation 16 Public Consultation

The Parish Council agreed that no response was required.

17106. Items from the councillors (NEXT AGENDA ITEMS ONLY)

Laptop carried forward.

17/107. Date of next meeting

The next meeting will be held on Tuesday 18th July 2017 at Langford & Ulting Village Hall.

The meeting closed at 8.53pm.

Signed:

(Chairman)

Date: