

MINUTES OF A MEETING OF LANGFORD & ULTING PARISH COUNCIL HELD ON TUESDAY
21ST MARCH 2017 AT LANGFORD & ULTING VILLAGE HALL.

Present: Councillors: Vicky Anfilogoff, Irene Allen, Colin Ashby and John Clemo
In the Chair: Councillor Vicky Anfilogoff
Clerk: Jenny Clemo
Also present: District Councillor Bass and four members of the public

17/33. Apologies for absence

Apologies were received from Cllr. Palmer.

17/34. Minutes of the previous meeting

a) The minutes of 21st February 2017 having been previously circulated were taken as read, agreed and signed by the Chairman.

17/35. Declarations of Interest

No interests declared.

17/36. Matters for information from previous meetings

17/23e) Great British Spring Clean – Cllrs. Allan and Ashby, the clerk and four residents were thanked for litter picking the majority of the verges in the parish. It was noted that others would have joined in if the event had been more widely publicised. The Chairman suggested that there should be a twice yearly litter pick in the future.

17/37. District Councillor's report

Cllr. Bass reported the following:

- The Local Development Plan result is expected by the summer
- Maldon District Council AGM in May may result in new committee chairmen
- Economic development – Maldon District Council has enabled promotions to encourage small businesses and young entrepreneurs in the District

17/38. Public Question Time

- Footpath 5, Ulting – fingerpost broken. Clerk had reported to Highways
- Footway opposite Langford Lee – Clerk to notify Highways that brambles need clearing
- Ulting Lane – It was noted that trees are leaning into the road along a section to the west of Sugar Mill Cottages
- Ulting Hall Lane fingerpost – It was noted that Highways had decided not to replace the sign after the last time it was vandalised

17/39. Planning Matters

a) Planning applications received:-

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. The Parish Council agreed to support this application.

TCA/MAL/17/00242 - To remove elder tree. Langford, Hatfield Road, Langford. This application was noted.

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. The Parish Council agreed to object to this application. The 1.8m close boarded fence does not comply with Condition 7, FUL/MAL/14/01069 and will harm the character and appearance of the Langford Conservation Area and the setting of the two listed buildings. Policies BE1 of the adopted Maldon District Replacement Local Plan and emerging policy D1 of the Submission version of the Local Development Plan refer. Policy 3b) in the emerging Langford & Ulting Neighbourhood Plan states that: “traditional boundary treatments will be respected and reinforced and high walls and fences will be discouraged”.

It was also noted that the planting scheme agreed, (Condition 8, FUL/MAL/14/01069), had not been implemented at the adjacent property. See Compliance with Conditions Notice (1095571). Clerk to notify Planning Enforcement.

b) Planning decisions received:

None received.

17/40. Correspondence

a) Essex Police and Essex County Fire & Rescue Service Consultation – See: www.essex.pcc.police.uk/LocalCaseForChange. It was agreed that comments would be collated at the April meeting.

b) Langford Water Treatment Works – It was noted that the recycling plant would be operating during the spring and summer to ensure a sufficient water supply.

17/41. Finance

a) The following payments were authorised:-

	Net	VAT	Gross	
Mrs J Clemo	£687.23		£687.23	Clerk’s salary (including £128.88 - additional hours to comply with Transparency Code)
DVLA	£55.00		£55.00	Registration fee for mower

b) The following direct debit payments were confirmed:-

	Net	VAT	Gross	
e.on	£27.23	£1.36	£28.59	Streetlight electricity (Mar 2017)
A&J Lighting Solutions Ltd	£19.25	£3.85	£23.10	Streetlight maintenance (Mar 2017)

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

	Net	VAT	Gross	
Lavenham Press	£320.00		£320.00	Newsletter (cheque no: 100906)

d) Bank Reconciliation to 31st January 2017 – In Cllr. Palmer’s absence this item was deferred to the April meeting.

e) VAT –Receipt of £818.36 from HMRC was noted.

f) Transparency Code Grant – Receipt of £228.87 for additional hours spent by clerk in complying with the code and purchase of Microsoft Office was noted.

g) A&J Lighting Solutions – Revised parts price list and callout charge was noted.

h) E.On – An increase in Deemed Contract rates from 1st April 2017 was noted.

i) The following payments which may need to be raised between meetings were authorised: Came & Company (mower insurance), Charisma Spatial Planning Ltd (planning consultancy) and Groundwork UK (repayment of unused grant).

17/42. Neighbourhood Plan

a) Cllr. Anfilogoff reported that a meeting had been held with Ann Skippers to discuss the

options for progressing the Neighbourhood Plan. Further information and options had been received from Maldon District Council subsequent to advice they had received from the council's solicitor. It was noted that as Maldon District Council had not published a withdrawal statement, the Neighbourhood Plan had not been withdrawn.

b) It was agreed that a decision on how to progress the Neighbourhood Plan would be deferred as there had not been sufficient time to understand the options available to the Parish Council.

17/43. Langford Churchyard Fence

Quotations had been received from Danbury Fencing Ltd, Go Green Landscapes Ltd. and RG Developments Essex Ltd. Having given consideration to all three quotations it was agreed that the Parish Council should accept the quotation from RG Developments Essex Ltd. at a cost of £1786.00. Clerk to confirm date that work will commence.

17/44. Newsletter

Four quotations had been received. It was agreed that a decision would be deferred until Cllr. Allen had received samples from two of the suppliers.

17/45. Maldon Local Development Plan Consultation

It was agreed that the Parish Council's response to the consultation on the following documents:

- Post-Examination Main Modifications
- Sustainability Appraisal Report Final

would be deferred to the April Parish Council meeting.

Comments were also being sought on the Council's Response to Actions from the Examination on:

- Neighbourhood Plans Summary
- Housing Trajectory and Infrastructure Delivery Plan Update
- Rural Employment Allocations Evidence Base
- Updated Retail Study Evidence

17/46. Items from the councillors (NEXT AGENDA ITEMS ONLY)

- Local Development Plan
- Essex Police and Essex County Fire & Rescue Service Consultation
- Newsletter quotations
- Tree inspection

17/47. Date of next meeting

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

The meeting closed at 9.15pm.

Signed:

(Chairman)

Date: