

MINUTES OF A MEETING OF LANGFORD & ULTING PARISH COUNCIL HELD ON TUESDAY
22nd OCTOBER 2019 AT LANGFORD & ULTING VILLAGE HALL.

Present: Councillors: Vicky Anfilogoff, Irene Allen, Lester Magness, Kathy Palmer
and Colin Ashby
In the Chair: Councillor Vicky Anfilogoff
Clerk: Jenny Clemo
Also present: 2 members of the public.

The meeting was preceded by an informal discussion with two representatives from Aquila who are working with CML Microsystems Plc. The position of Langford and Ulting Parish Council with regard to Oval Park and what the site represents to the local community was outlined by the Chairman. It was noted that the Neighbourhood Plan Regulation 14 consultation was due to commence shortly and that after much research it had been concluded that there was only a very small housing need for Langford.

19/180. Apologies for absence

No apologies received.

19/181. Minutes of the previous meeting

The minutes of 24th September 2019 having been previously circulated were taken as read, agreed and signed by the Chairman.

19/182. Declarations of Interest

Cllr. Anfilogoff declared a disclosable pecuniary interest in item 19/186a)
(HOUSE/MAL/19/00980).

19/183. Matters for information from previous meetings

19/149. Tree Surveys – Cllr. Ashby provided details of contractors so that the clerk can get quotations for the work required.

19/171. Hoe Mill lock – It was noted that the bridge is structurally unsafe and a temporary width restriction and traffic lights are to be installed. This may take up until May 2020. Letter received from a farmer suggesting that CIL money could be used to help pay for the repair work required.

19/177. Councillor Email addresses – Cllrs. were reminded that they had agreed to set up new email accounts for Parish Council business only.

19/184. District Councillor's report

No report received. Apologies received from District Cllr. Jarvis.

19/185. Public Question Time

- Pothole on Langford side of railway bridge – Clerk had reported it to Highways some time ago.

19/186. Planning Matters

a) Planning applications received.

TCA/MAL/19/01000 - T3 Horse Chestnut (tag 535) - Reduce faulted limb by road to leave 2m from main stem. T4 Norway Maple (tag 248) - Fell to ground level. T9 English Oak (tag 253) - Reduce faulted limb over play equipment by 2m. T11 Horse Chestnut (tag 255) - Monolith to 5m. T10 Sycamore (tag 971) - Fell to ground. Application to carry out work on trees in a Conservation Area was noted.

Cllr. Anfilogoff left the hall while the item below was discussed and Cllr. Allen took the Chair.

HOUSE/MAL/19/00980 - Demolition of existing lean-to extension and erection of single storey rear extension. Bumble Bee Cottage, Hatfield Road, Langford. The Parish Council agreed to support this application as the extension will enable wheelchair use throughout the whole bungalow and also incorporates a side entrance to improve access.

Cllr. Anfilogoff returned after the above item and took the Chair.

b) Planning decisions received.

None received.

19/187. **Correspondence**

a) Polling districts, polling places and polling stations – Notification of review by Maldon District Council. No comment required as Langford and Ulting are unchanged.

b) EALC Planning Training Date – All councillors were available 12th November. Clerk to confirm with EALC.

c) EALC – Learning Disability – Request for information about any groups involved in learning disabilities in the parish and any common needs/themes required had been received. It was noted that there are none in the Parish.

d) Precept – Notification that the Government announced that it does not propose to set 'referendum principles' for town and parish councils in England for 2020/21 had been received. It was noted that there is an expectation that greater restraint will be exercised.

e) Community J9 Domestic Abuse – Free training session on 26th November 2019, 13.30-15.30 at MDC Offices was noted.

f) Chelmer Valley Landscape Group – It was noted that minutes of the meeting held 23rd September 2019 had been received.

19/188. **Finance**

a) The following payment was authorised:-

	Net	VAT	Gross	
Cheque made payable to SEAX Trading Ltd (see invoice)	£400.00	£80.00	£480.00	Tree risk assessment surveys (includes £150 recoverable from VHMC)

A cheque for £315.00 payable to Lavenham Press was raised (to be ratified at the next meeting).

b) The following direct debit payments were confirmed:-

	Net	VAT	Gross	
SSE	£4.32	£0.21	£4.53	Streetlight electricity (September 2019)
SSE	£30.98	£1.54	£32.52	Streetlight electricity (September 2019)
A&J Lighting Solutions Ltd	£17.12	£3.42	£20.54	Streetlight maintenance (October 2019)

c) Bank Reconciliation - Cllr Palmer confirmed that she had undertaken internal control to verify bank reconciliation produced by the clerk for month of September 2019.

19/189. **Essex Infonet website**

a) EALC website information had been received with a large number of possible website providers. (List forwarded to councillors prior to meeting)

b) Councillors discussed the options available. It was agreed that the clerk would ask other Parish Councils affected at November's Parish Clerk's forum. It was noted that BT provide a free community web kit.

19/190. **Neighbourhood Plan**

a) It was noted that a revised list of statutory consultees had not been received from Maldon District Council but should arrive by the end of the week.

b) Revised Regulation 14 consultation dates were agreed – 5th November to 16th December 2019. as list of statutory consultees required.

19/191. **Community Orchard**

a) Email received from Orchards East Project Manager was noted.

b) Cllr. Ashby to provide a drone photo of the new orchard.

19/192. **EALC Councillor Training**

a) Day 1 - Saturday 25th January 2020, Day 2 - Saturday 8th February 2020.

b) Cllrs. Magness and Allen were not available to attend these dates.

19/193. Local Electricity Bill

a) The request from Power from People to pass a motion in support of the Local Electricity Bill was considered. The Parish Council agreed to support the bill.

19/194. Meeting Dates – 2020

The following dates for next year's Parish Council meetings were confirmed:

7th January	21st July
18th February	25th August
17th March	22nd September
21st April	20th October
19th May	17th November
16th June	15th December

19/195. Items from the councillors (NEXT AGENDA ITEMS ONLY)

19/196. Date of next meeting

The next meeting will be held on Tuesday 19th November 2019 at Langford & Ulting Village Hall.

The meeting closed at 9.00pm.

Signed:

(Chairman)

Date: