

MINUTES OF A MEETING OF LANGFORD & ULTING PARISH COUNCIL HELD ON TUESDAY  
19<sup>th</sup> SEPTEMBER 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, one of whom left the meeting after Public Question Time

**17/137. Apologies for absence**

None received.

**17/138. Minutes of the previous meeting**

The minutes of 15<sup>th</sup> August 2017 having been previously circulated were taken as read, agreed and signed by the Chairman.

**17/139. Declarations of Interest**

No interests declared.

**17/140. Matters for information from previous meetings**

15/197. Path at Ulting Lane green – No response received from Northumbrian Water Plc.

17/102b) Mower Insurance – Village Hall Management Committee had reimbursed the Parish Council.

17/119. Ulting Lane Green – The clerk had delivered the letter agreed at the previous meeting to residents.

17/130a) EALC AGM and Conference – Cllrs. Anfilogoff and Allen had attended.

17/134. Data Protection Regulations – The clerk confirmed that additional courses were being run in 2018 and that she would be able to attend one of these.

**17/141. District Councillor's report**

No report received.

**17/142. Public Question Time** (limited to 15 minutes if required).

- Broadband – An Ulting resident has been looking at the possibility of installing a BT Community Fibre Network in Ulting and had been quoted £200,000 by Openreach. The cost per property would be £6,250. The Chairman thanked him for providing a draft response to the Broadband Universal Service Obligation consultation.
- Various Highways matters were reported – clerk to action.

**17/143. Planning Matters**

a) Planning applications received:

**HOUSE/MAL/17/00878** - Demolish 4No. dilapidated timber sheds and replace with single cart lodge style garage and store. Improve existing access by laying sealed shingle surface.

1 Sugar Mill Cottages, Ulting Lane, Ulting. The Parish Council agreed to recommend refusal because the proposed garage is 6.25 metres in height and would have an overbearing effect to the detriment of the wider character and appearance of the area. The Parish Council would support a single storey cart lodge style garage to match the garage associated with 3, Sugar Mill Cottages.

**COUPA/MAL/17/00924** - Prior notification of a proposed change of use for an agricultural building to a dwellinghouse (Class C3) and associated operational development.

Land At Drylands Nursery, Crouchmans Farm Road, Ulting. The Parish Council agreed to support this application.

**LBC/MAL/17/00965** - Internal remodelling of listed building and replacement of one window at the rear. The Old Vicarage, Crouchmans Farm Road, Ulting. The Parish Council made no comment.

b) Planning decisions received:

**TCA/MAL/17/00732** – Re-pollard magnolia tree, Brierly Witham Road Langford was allowed to proceed.

**TCA/MAL/17/00758** - Yew tree T1 - All over crown reduction of 2 metres. Euclayptus tree T2 - removal of tree, The Homestead, Maldon Road, Langford was allowed to proceed.

#### 17/144. **Correspondence**

a) Woodham Walter Village Design Statement Launch – Invitation to the launch on Tuesday 26th September 2017, 7pm-9pm at Woodham Walter Village Hall had been received.

b) Essex Highways Stakeholder Survey – The Parish Council attempted to answer the questionnaire but had difficulty understanding the questions. Clerk to clarify and submit by 1<sup>st</sup> October 2017.

c) Maldon District Conservation and Design Awards – Notification had been received that the Halt had not been shortlisted.

d) Localised Flooding Application – Notification had been received that there is no local diversion when flooding occurs at the bridge over the River Blackwater, Maldon Road, Langford. Clerk to respond and point out the problems experienced when two lorries meet and block Spring Lane on these occasions. The instigation of a one way system would solve the problem.

e) www.Oil-club.co.uk – It was noted that interested residents could contact the clerk for information.

f) Essex & Herts Air Ambulance grant request – Unfortunately the Parish Council does not budget for grants and was therefore unable to provide a donation.

g) Mackmurdo Place, Wickham Bishops – Shared ownership, 2 bedroom property for sale for people with a local connection was noted.

#### 17/145. **Finance**

a) The following payments were authorised:-

	<b>Net</b>	<b>VAT</b>	<b>Gross</b>	
Mrs J Clemo	£625.00		£625.00	Clerk's salary
PKF Littlejohn LLP	£100.00	£20.00	£120.00	External audit fee
SD Arboriculture	£427.50		£427.50	Visual tree hazard assessment (1/3 – Village Hall Management Committee)

b) The following direct debit payments were confirmed:-

	<b>Net</b>	<b>VAT</b>	<b>Gross</b>	
e.on	£32.98	£1.65	£34.63	Streetlight electricity (Sept 2017)
A&J Lighting Solutions Ltd	£19.25	£3.85	£23.10	Streetlight maintenance (Sept 2017)

c) Bank Reconciliation - Cllr Palmer confirmed that she had undertaken internal control to verify the bank reconciliation produced by the clerk for month of August 2017.

d) **Notice of Conclusion of Audit** – It was noted that the audit of accounts for Langford & Ulting Parish Council for the year ended 31st March 2017 has been concluded and the accounts had been published as required.

#### 17/146. **Neighbourhood Plan**

a) Technical support – Nothing had been heard regarding the application for technical support. Clerk to email AECOM.

b) Cllr. Anfilogoff reported that Northumbrian Water Plc had put forward another site.

#### 17/147. **Broadband**

a) It was agreed that James Salmon, County Broadband would be invited to the Parish Council

meeting on 17<sup>th</sup> October.

b) Consultation on the design of Broadband Universal Service Obligation – It was agreed that the response would be based on a draft provided by an Ulting resident.

17/148. **Flooding** – The Parish Council agreed that photographs of the extent of the flooding on 9<sup>th</sup> August should be sent to District Councillors and the Essex County Council Flood Team.

17/149. **Community Shop Rates Bill** – The Parish Council agreed that they would provide support to Cllr. Allen.

17/150. **Items from the councillors** (NEXT AGENDA ITEMS ONLY)

- Flooding
- Community Shop rates bill
- Homestead

17/151. **Date of next meeting**

The next meeting will be held on Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> October 2017 at Langford & Ulting Village Hall.

The meeting closed at 9.25pm.

Signed:

(Chairman)

Date: