

# LANGFORD BUDVILLE PARISH COUNCIL

**Minutes of a meeting of the Langford Budville Parish Council held on Monday 20th February 2023 at 6.30pm at the Village Hall**

**Present:** - Mr Derek Sowden (Chair), Ms Juliet Shrimpton, Mrs Theresa Jacoby, Mr Will Will McFadzean, attendees as below and five members of public

**Members absent:** - None

**Apologies:** - None

**In Attendance:** - Ms Chadwick as Clerk

## **Public Forum**

A member of the public reported concerns about the tree felling on Langford Heathfield owned by the Somerset Wildlife Trust (SWT). Ruts have been left and no replanting, and concerns that trees felled included species other than ash. Clerk to contact SWT and ask for timeline regarding making good the ruts and plans for replanting.

Cllr Wren gave his update including the finalisation of the Somerset Council budget at 3.99% plus 2% for social care, and reported on progress towards the new unitary authority, including area planning committees.

### **1. Apologies**

There were no apologies received from Councillors.

### **2. Declarations of interest**

There were no declarations of interest.

### **3. Minutes**

The minutes of the 9<sup>th</sup> January were approved unanimously.

### **4. Group Reports**

#### **4.1 A Greener Langford Budville**

No further update, awaiting instructions re excess monies.

**4.2 Triangle** Twelve top rails have been sourced, fencing to be slightly extended to stop unauthorised motor vehicle access.

#### **4.3 Events Group**

List of potential coronation events was circulated and discussed and a road closure is to be applied for. The school is to be asked about potential sustainable gifts. Ideas for the Big Help Out Day were discussed and further ideas including sign cleaning, litterpicks etc will be collated by email.

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#### 4.4 Conservation Group. Jubilee Wood and Wildflower area

The Conservation group has scythed the wildflower area. Tree planting of the Jubilee Wood went very well with 800 plants in the ground.

#### 4.5 Footpaths

Letters were sent to the owner of Chorwell Lane and Somerset County Council. Juliet has met with the Footpaths officer on 17th February and will contact owners to update them.

#### 5. Budget and Precept

Grass cutting quotes will not be received until early March, so it was agreed to further discuss and finalise the budget at the next meeting.

#### 6. Trees, Fingerposts and Maintenance

Thanks were expressed to Richard Branfield who did a super job on the ash felling. Three further trees remain to be addressed in due course. Clerk to contact David Galley the County Tree Officer and ask if replanting can be delayed to autumn.

#### 7. Wellington Place Plan Consultation response

Councillors approved the consultation response to the Wellington Place Plan.

#### 8. Finance

##### 8.1 Bank Reconciliation

The Council approved the bank reconciliation.

##### 8.2 Schedule of Payments

The Council approved the Schedule of Payments, as below:

Summary of Payments Due			
To pay:			
Clerks wages	6 Jan to 9 Feb - 5 weeks	296.00	£11.84 x 5 hrs pw x 5 weeks
Clerks expenses	mileage	15.75	311.75 35 miles x 1 trip
Village Hall			48.28 inv 81/22
Richard Branfield			1500.00 tbc
Weetree Nurseries			22.08 inv 2584
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#### 9. Agenda Items for next meeting

The dates for the April and May meeting to be agreed as 17<sup>th</sup> April and Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> May due to bank holidays.

The meeting closed at 7.50pm

To be signed by the Chair at the next meeting (Monday, 8<sup>th</sup> March 2023):

The minutes reflect an accurate record of events subject to any amendments listed below.

20<sup>th</sup> February 2023

Signed: ..... Dated.....

Signed:

Print Name:

Date:

Amendments:

Produced by:

**Helen Chadwick**, Clerk

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*20<sup>th</sup> February 2023*

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