LANGFORD BUDVILLE PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Meeting of Langford Budville Parish Council held on Monday 11th December 2023 at 6.30pm at the Jubilee Hall

Present: - Derek Sowden (Chair), Juliet Shrimpton, Fiona Barber, Theresa Jacoby attendees as below and two members of public

Members absent: - None Apologies: - Cllr Dave Mansell, Zenah Rowe (footpaths) In Attendance: - Cllr Gwil Wren, Ms Chadwick as Clerk

Public Forum

Cllr Wren gave his update including details of the Somerset Council financial emergency, budgeting update and plans to use reserves. Requests have been sent by Somerset Council to all parish councils about potential asset and service devolution, but Somerset Council unlikely to finalise until after parish precepts are set. Councillors have reviewed the letter contents and reply.

1. Apologies

No apologies were received from councillors.

2. Declarations of interest

There were no declarations of interest.

3. Minutes

The minutes of the meeting on the 13th November 2023 were approved unanimously.

4. Group Reports

4.1 A Greener Langford Budville

A proposal has been sent to Somerset Council for retention of remaining funds

4.2 Triangle

Awaiting results of playground inspection. Clerk to email Richard Branfield re tree work and tender for grass cutting.

4.3 Events Group

Martlet to be approached to host free defibrillator offered

4.4 Conservation Group. Jubilee Wood and Wildflower area

Saplings have been planted with the Forest School group which were grown from acorns gathered from the common. More hedging plants and replacement mats have been ordered for the Jubilee Wood.

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4.5 Footpaths

A report from Zenah was received with thanks, it was noted that several stiles need repair – to be put forward for next meeting.

6. Emergency Plan

The Councillors reviewed the draft circulated by email. Further comments to be sent to Derek for incorporation.

7. Planning (10 mins)

The Councillors reviewed the report circulated by email and thanked the Chair for his update.

7.1 Case Ref: 21/23/0009

Proposal: Siting of static caravan for welfare purposes in connection with horticultural business at New Barn, Langford Budville Road, Runnington (retention of works already undertaken)

Following a site visit by the PC we have no objections to the application

7.2 Case Ref: 21/23/0010

Proposal: Change of use of land to Class B2, general industrial, with formation of access, concrete hardstanding to yard area and installation of fencing around the perimeter at Unit 2A Lowmoor Industrial Estate, Tonedale, Wellington (retention of part works already undertaken)

No comment

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 I
To pay:

	То рау:						
	Clerks wages	С	10 Nov to 7 Dec - 4 weeks	236.80		£11.84 x 5 hrs pw x 4 weeks	
	Clerks expenses	С	mileage	31.50	268.30	35 miles x 2 trips	
	Weetree Nurseries	С	Hedge plants, guards etc		231.30	inv 3004	
	Greentech	С	Replacement mats		300.00	inv 478694	
	Josh for Jubilee Wood	С	Exps for Jubilee Wood		138.70		
Total to pay:					938.30		

9. Agenda Items for next meeting

It was agreed to add the budget, signs and casual vacancy to the agenda for the next meeting.

11th December 2023 Signed: Dated..... The meeting closed at 7.35 pm

To be signed by the Chair at the next meeting (Monday 8th January 2024):

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

Signed:

Print Name:

Date:

Amendments:

Produced by: Helen Chadwick, Clerk langfordbudvillepc@gmail.com

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