

LANGFORD BUDVILLE PARISH COUNCIL

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

Present: - Mr Derek Sowden (Chair), Ms Juliet Shrimpton, Mrs Fiona Barber, attendees as below and five members of public

Members absent: - Theresa Jacoby, Will McFadzean

Apologies: - None

In Attendance: - Cllr Dave Mansell, Ms Chadwick as Clerk

Public Forum

Cllr Mansell gave his update including details of the Somerset Council budget deficit, planning policy consultation and phosphate proposal. He will also circulate details on bus service changes to Councillors for comment.

Jon Moise-Souch, new head of Langford Budville School, gave a short presentation on the aims for his role and his plans to develop the school including potential pre-school and £30k investment in Early Years. Councillors asked if there was anything the Parish Council can do to support the important village asset. Parking issues were discussed and the Chair will approach the Martlett. Mr Moise-Souch was thanked by the Chair for his very positive update.

Two members of the public presented a proposal on 20 mph speed limit in Runnington. A list of issues was given to the Parish Council and to Cllr Mansell. Juliet is meeting with a representative from Somerset Council Highways on 15th September to discuss Highways issues and will update the members of public and the Parish Council on the outcome.

The Clerk reported that, following contact with Wellington Without PC, the Harpford Bridge fingerpost just outside the parish boundary had been righted.

Josh Wedderkopp was thanked for his work on the website.

Somerset Wildlife Trust have contacted the Parish Council to advise that the short trail on the reserve is now fully open again. The last of the ash felled in the winter has been extracted and the ruts levelled.

1. Apologies

Apologies were received from Will McFadzean and Theresa Jacoby. It was resolved that the apologies and the reasons for them be accepted.

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2. Declarations of interest

There were no declarations of interest.

3. Minutes

The minutes of the meeting on the 14th August 2023 were approved unanimously.

4. Group Reports

4.1 A Greener Langford Budville

There has been no answer to the email to Somerset Council re the final evaluation outcome. Cllr Mansell will follow up.

4.2 Triangle

Following discussion on Monday 2nd September about the boundary fence issue it was decided that the Parish Council should hold back to getting hedging from woodland trust until other options have been fully explored/ agreed. This included getting a replacement fence costed and then looking into possible grants for this.

Interim repairs to fencing around play area and where possible other rails were undertaken on the 9th September to ensure that next inspection of playground passes.

After approval at the last meeting, the Clerk has purchased four 150 x 200mm signs from the Sign Shed at a cost of £5.16 each to remind parishioners of the no dogs rule. The Chair will put these up.

The Chair has also fitted toggles to the noticeboard.

4.3 Events Group

There is a barn dance planned for 23rd September. No further update.

4.4 Conservation Group. Jubilee Wood and Wildflower area

Parish Scything Jamboree was held on 3rd and 4th September. There is lots to do so Conservation Group will meet twice in the next month. Derek to follow up re tree replacement planting.

4.5 Footpaths

Chorwell Lane has been levelled. Juliet to thank the landowner and draft a letter for the Clerk to follow up with Highways on drainage on Butts Lane.

5. Emergency Plan

The Councillor reviewed the examples circulated by email. Derek to prepare a draft for the next meeting. Fiona to ask Village Hall to comment.

6. Finance

6.1 Bank Reconciliation

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The Council approved the bank reconciliation.

6.2 Schedule of Payments

The Council approved the Schedule of Payments, as below:

Summary of Payments Due					
To pay:					
Clerks wages	11 August to 7 September - 4 weeks		236.80		£11.84 x 5 hrs pw x 4 weeks
Clerks expenses	mileage		15.75		35 miles x 1 trip
	dog signs		24.59	277.14	4 x dog signs - Sign Shed
Ian Loudon	expenses			162.39	per receipts
HMRC tax	£0.20 R M4 + 11.80 M5			11.60	due 22 Oct with M6
Total to pay:				451.13	

9. Agenda Items for next meeting

It was agreed to add the update on Emergency Plan to the agenda for the next meeting.

The meeting closed at 7.50 pm

To be signed by the Chair at the next meeting (Monday 9th October 2023):

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

Signed:

Print Name:

Date:

Amendments:

Produced by:

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