

LANGFORD BUDVILLE PARISH COUNCIL
Minutes for February 2021

The Parish Council Meeting was due to be held at 7pm at Langford Budville Village Hall on Monday 8th February 2021. However, as a result of the latest Coronavirus COVID-19 emergency isolation, the Parish Council have suspended public meetings in accordance with the Extraordinary Parish Council meeting of 18th March 2020 & information/legislation from the Government, NALC & SALC. The Clerk was granted delegate powers to conduct the business of the Parish Council in consultation with the Parish Councillors:

Cllr. V. Pitman (VP) Acting Chairperson

Cllr D. Faulkner (DF)

Cllr. M. Norvell (MN)

Cllr. D. Sowden (DS)

Cllr. K. Spackman (KS)

The consultation was via electronic means (E-mail and telephone) with representation on any matters affecting the Parish received from Parishioners via e-mail.

The Parish Coronavirus Emergency plan is in place providing assistance to those in need. There are 15 volunteers with many other people assisting their friends and neighbours. The Parish Council would like to record their thanks to all the volunteers, friends, neighbours & local businesses that are supporting the Parish in this time of Crisis but would also like to remind everyone to play their part and follow the guidance regularly being issued by the Government.

1. Apologies for Absence: None .

2. Declaration of Interest: None.

3. Minutes of the Last Meeting: Agreed .

4. Police Blog: Received & circulated.

5. Finance & Legal:

a) **Bracken Clearing Invoice:** PC agreed to pay £51.

b) **SWT Invoice – Dog Bin Emptying and Grass Cutting:** PC agreed to pay £495.79.

Planning Applications:

Case Ref: No 21/21/0003

Proposal: Erection of a single storey extension to the rear of Camberley, Wellisford Manor Road, Langford Budville.

Recently, the PC had no objection to the removal of the agricultural tie to this bungalow. There are no objections to the extension.

All applications can be viewed in full at:

<https://www2.somersetwestandtaunton.gov.uk/asp/webpages/plan/plapplookup.asp>

6. Footpaths: Most footpaths are in a muddy state due to the rain and higher than normal usage in 'lockdown'.

7. COVID-19 Update: No requests for help to-date since the last meeting.

8. Triangle Tree Works: Planting of new trees completed. No further works currently planned to the larger trees.

9. Bracken & Bramble Clearance: Hedge-laying deferred until autumn and road hedge on southern side still to be cut.

10. Tone Works: Announced in local press and BBC news. Work is currently in progress to secure and make safe the site. Suggestions have been made to include renewable energy solutions in the design, when restoration begins.

11. Speedwatch: With local CSW suspended, the local police have completed their own checks and found that over 15% of vehicles were travelling above 36mph at the Triangle. Police are following up the vehicles caught and will complete further checks.

12. The Martlet Inn: Offering take-away meals, 12 – 8pm Friday & Saturday, 12 – 4pm Sunday, but Hungry Bear van is not visiting. A new menu is coming soon.

13. Langford Budville Good Neighbours Scheme (SWT Community Chest): Deferred.

14. Climate Emergency Fund Update (A Greener Langford Budville): Bid submitted and awaiting response. Full information is in the Roundabout article.

15. Wellington Network Partnership Update. DF has updated Wellington Town Council Clerk with an overview of the PC.

16. Community Emergency Plan Update (Winter Arrangements & Covid-19 Plan): No requests for help to-date since the last meeting.

17. Common Tree Works: Representations made and reply received following adverse comments from parishioners. Removal of diseased ash trees continues across the common.

Correspondence:

1. Construction at Stancombe Farm: The PC understands that there have not been any infringements to planning permission.

2. Footpath WG 6/25 Wellisford – Blocked and Bridge Missing: This has been reported on roam Somerset, but will be brought to the attention of the SW&T Footpaths Officer.

**The next Parish Council Meeting is set to take place on Monday 8th March 2021, at 7pm.
Location TBC.**

