

MINUTES OF A VIRTUAL MEETING OF LANGFORD & ULTING PARISH COUNCIL HELD ON TUESDAY 17th NOVEMBER 2020.

Present: Councillors Anfilogoff, Allen, Ashby and Magness
In the Chair: Councillor Anfilogoff
Clerk: Jenny Clemo
Also present: Councillor Durham

20/173. Apologies for absence

Apologies received from Cllrs. Allen and Jarvis.

20/174. Minutes of the previous meeting

The minutes of 20th October 2020 having been previously circulated were taken as read and agreed. Minutes will be signed at the next face to face meeting.

20/175. Declarations of Interest

None declared.

20/176. District Councillor's report

Cllr Jarvis had provided a report, circulated to councillors prior to the meeting:

- Bradwell B Scoping Opinion document is under review
- Leisure Centres continue to receive some financial support from MDC, both currently closed due to new lockdown measures
- Unitary Paper - Devolution 2023 deferred - new publication date is Sept 2021
- OUT00427 – Oval Park to be considered by MDC Planning under delegated authority. Not yet determined.
- Maldon District Council Annual Statutory meeting held 5th November 2020:
 - Chairman – Cllr. Heard
 - Leader – Cllr. Stamp

Cllr. Durham reported the following:

- Covid-19 – Due to the rising number of cases, ECC had asked to be moved into Tier 2 which had realised additional funding which was going to be used for adult/children's services and business support

Cllr. Ashby arrived at this point and apologised for his late arrival

- Planning White Paper – Representations made by all Districts
- Locality Fund – Funds had been allocated for: a new slide, defibrillator, Zoom licences, Tollesbury pool and Fellowship Afloat.
- Little Braxted bridge – Closed for at least five weeks

The Chairman thanked Cllr. Durham for attending the meeting and he then left.

20/177. Public Question Time (limited to 15 minutes if required).

Cllr. Ashby reported that the memorial bench outside The Old School, Langford had been replaced by the Hanna family. Clerk to write and say thank you.

20/178. Matters for information from previous meetings

Clerk had attended the virtual SLCC AGM and training session on 12th November 2020.

20/126. Affordable housing update – Hastoe are waiting for information regarding the feasibility of the site.

19/192. Councillor Training Days – Cllr. Magness had attended Day 1 and would be attending Day 2 in January.

20/98d) Grass cutting, Ulting closed churchyard – Corrected invoice received.

20/125. Unauthorised work to trees in Conservation Areas – It was noted that a letter to those properties within the Conservation Areas had been delivered with the newsletter.

20/179. Planning Matters

a) Planning applications received:

None received.

b) Planning decisions received:

None received.

c) Notification of appeal received:

APP/X1545/W/20/3259477 - Application to carry out ground investigations, load test and associated works in connection with a proposed new Nuclear Power Station at Bradwell-on-Sea, together with the creation of two site compound areas and associated parking areas. Land East Of Bradwell Power Station, Downhall Beach, Bradwell-On-Sea.

20/180. Correspondence

a) Standards in Public consultation – Request from NALC to provide basis for their response. Clerk to circulate draft response to councillors before submitting.

b) Superfast Essex - Programme Update October 2020 received.

c) Rough Sleeper Estimate – Number of people rough sleeping in the Parish overnight on 24th November. Request received from Maldon District Council was noted.

d) Bradwell B – Invitation to a virtual meeting with the Bradwell B project team received. This would be an opportunity to provide the Parish Council with an update on the project, and to ask questions. Clerk to arrange virtual meeting prior to a Parish Council meeting if presentation is not more than 30 minutes.

120/181. Finance

a) The following payments were authorised:-

	Net	VAT	Gross	
Maldon District Council	£100.05	£20.01	£120.06	Ulting churchyard grass cutting (July/September). Paid C. No. 101005)
EALC	£180.00	£36.00	£216.00	Councillor Training days 1 and 2
Mrs J Clemo	£143.88		£143.88	Zoom subscription
Mrs J Clemo	£254.84	£3.28	£258.12	Clerk's expenses to 12th November

b) The following direct debit payments were confirmed:-

	Net	VAT	Gross	
A&J Lighting Solutions Ltd	£17.12	£3.42	£20.54	Streetlight maintenance (November 2020)
SSE	£4.47	£0.22	£4.69	Streetlight electricity (October 2020)
SSE	£38.52	£1.92	£40.44	Streetlight electricity (October 2020)

c) Bank Reconciliation - Cllr Palmer had been unable to undertake internal control to verify bank reconciliations produced by the clerk for month of October 2020 due to new lockdown restrictions. This item was deferred.

d) Cancellation of cheque no, 100993 originally raised for Danbury Fencing prior to the company going into administration was noted.

e)) The following cheque was raised and will be ratified at the next meeting:-

	Net	VAT	Gross	
Maldon District Council	£100.05	£20.01	£120.06	Ulting churchyard grass cutting (April/June).

20/182. Neighbourhood Plan

a) Minor changes to preamble and Policy 3, Recreational disturbance Avoidance and Mitigation, checked by Planning Policy and included in draft Neighbourhood Plan, (circulated by email), were agreed.

b) The Parish Council agreed that the Regulation 15 Submission Version of the Plan, Community Consultation Statement and Basic Conditions Statement (circulated by email) would be submitted to Maldon District Council.

20/183. Public Sector Bodies (Website and Mobile Applications) (No 2) Accessibility Regulations 2018

It was noted that the website requires checking for compliance and the addition of a mandatory Accessibility Compliance Statement. Government guidance states that some organisations may not need to fully meet accessibility standards if the benefits of making some things accessible would not justify the cost to their organisation. In that case, the organisation can claim it would not be reasonable to make those things accessible because it is a disproportionate burden. The clerk had previously checked with e-voice that their websites were compliant.

20/184. Community Engagement Parish Council Survey

Parish Council response to Maldon District Council was agreed.

20/185. Museum of Power

Information meeting to be held on site, 25th November 2020 at 10am.

20/186. Report from Councillor

Chelmer Valley Landscape Group meeting, 16th November - Cllr. Magness had attended. Topics for workshops in the new year were discussed. Representatives from MDC and ECC were not in attendance. He did not feel that any progress had been made.

20/187. Items from the councillors (NEXT AGENDA ITEMS ONLY)

20/188. Date of next meeting

The next meeting will be held on Tuesday 15th December 2020.

The meeting closed at 8.35pm

Signed:

(Chairman)

Date