LANGTREE PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF MEETING

11TH DECEMBER 2019

Present	Councillors: Terry Attridge Geoff Bond Mark Glover Chairman David Ley Pat Mitchell David Hurley (TDC)		
In attendance	Leigh Pollinger – Parish Clerk		
	1 member of the public.		
222	WELCOME AND APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE		
	Apologies received from Jenny Coles, Colin Edworthy, Franklin Tucker, Andrew Saywell and Melissa Baker.		
223	MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING		
223.1	 Matters Arising Defibrillators are on order but we are waiting for a confirmation invoice before payment and delivery. 		
223.2	Minutes of meeting held on 14 th November 2019 to be agreed and signed. • These were proposed by Geoff Bond and approved by Pat Mitchell		
224	DECLARATION OF INTERESTS		
225	REPORTS		
225.1	Police Community Support Officer		
	 Melissa Baker is temporarily unavailable but a report was sent and read out 		
225.2	County Councillor		
	A report from Andrew Saywell was received and read out:		
	The main thing that is happening at DCC at the moment is the start of budget preparations however because of the General Election we have yet to receive our settlement from Central Government (normally due in December!), making budget preparations more difficult. However work on draft budgets will go on and the figures should be clearer in January		

	On Highways 'Doing What Matters' trial, I had a meeting with Darryl Jagger and the team to discuss the Parish findings and also did an
	exercise where we prioritised works based on the A, B and C roads first, then minor roads, etc. There was actually a broad correlation between what the Parishes wanted and by prioritising by main road which is good. Langtree's main priorities should hopefully be accommodated, though work on the costings still need to be done – so no promises yet! The other theme that also came out was that the majority of priority works were for drainage schemes. Getting a scheme to sort out the drainage issues on the road from Forches Cross to Rose Cottage Cross was also highlighted as a priority in Langtree.
	Think that reflects that we have been able to get a lot of patching and resurfacing done in Torrington Rural in the last 2 years, now we need to focus on getting the water off the road.
225.3	District Councillor
	 It was reported that the attendance at the most recent TAG meeting was disappointing. This is an opportunity for parish councils to meet with representatives of the District Council. 4 of the Langtree Meadows affordable housing should now be occupied and 2 applicants are being considered for the final house. The section 106 agreement will be finalised on full occupancy. The request to try and stop HGV's from driving through the village has been investigated but is not possible.
216	PARISH MATTERS
226.1	To receive an update on progress of Langtree Meadows building works • See District Councillor's report.
226.2	To receive an update regarding the recreation field activities.
	 Grant applications for balance of funding the for MUGA have been unsuccessful, however going to reapply in new year. The types of trees being obtained for the dog walking area are primarily of hedgerow type. It was agreed that planting locations will be agreed in due course. 1800 metres of piping for the heat source facility for the parish hall will be located within the dog walking area.
227	PLANNING
227.1	To consider any planning applications received between issuing of agenda and meeting.
	No applications have been received.
228	CLERK'S REPORT AND FINANCE

228.1	To receive update on financial position at end November 2019			
	Bank balances at end of November			
	Lloyds Bank balance at 30/11/19	£681.16		
	Lloyds Number 2 account at 30/11/19	£10001.53		
	Total	£10682.69		
	Note £2500 is reserved for Langtree Park purchases			
	 Payments were made to MJ Baker of £475 and £330, Torridge District Council £924, L Pollinger £99.99 and RAW Piper £30. There were no receipts. 			
	 At the next meeting it is likely we will need to approagree precept. 	ove budget and		
228.2	To request approval for BACS Payments and cheques			
	Torridge District Council £285.89 for 2 dog bins - ap	proved		
228.3	To review correspondence received			
	 No new correspondence received which has not pre- circulated. 	eviously been		
229	PUBLIC PARTICIPATION			
	No comments or questions from the public			
230	ANY OTHER ITEMS AT CHAIRMAN'S DISCRETION			
	A pothole outside Lower Withacott was reported.			
	It was pointed out that the decision over possible fire station			
	 closures in north Devon has been delayed. A parishioner has reported sighting difficulties at Wonders Corner. 			
	The meeting ended at 8.00pm	onders corner.		
231	DATE OF NEXT MEETING			
	There is a change of date for the next meeting to avoid a room booking clash. The next meeting will be held on Wednesday 8 th January 2020.			