## LANGTREE PARISH COUNCIL MINUTES OF MEETING

## 8<sup>th</sup> DECEMBER 2022

Present	Councillors: Jenny Coles John Davies Mark Glover (Chairman) Peter Haselhurst David Ley Pat Mitchell Andrew Saywell (DCC)
In attendance	Leigh Pollinger – Parish Clerk  O members of the public
506	WELCOME AND APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE
	Apologies received from Melissa Baker, Geoff Bond, David Hurley, and Franklin Tucker.
507	MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING
507.1	Matters Arising.  • These are covered below.
507.2	Minutes of meeting held on 10 <sup>th</sup> November 2022 to be confirmed and signed.
	<ul> <li>These were proposed by Pat Mitchell and seconded by Jenny Coles – approved.</li> </ul>
508	DECLARATION OF INTERESTS
	None were declared.
509	REPORTS
509.1	Police Community Support Officer
	Melissa Baker was unable to attend but issued a brief report.
509.2	<ul> <li>County Councillor</li> <li>Andrew Saywell gave a brief report.</li> <li>The new Chief Executive for Devon County Council has been appointed.</li> </ul>

	<ul> <li>The Highways Authority is prepared for the anticipated cold weather snap with gritters particularly being utilised around the area.</li> <li>Savings have been identified and delays in investment agreed which will hopefully allow DCC to be close to break even this financial year.</li> </ul>	
509.3	District Councillor	
	David Hurley was unable to attend.	
510	PARISH MATTERS	
510.1	Any matters concerning the football field / MUGA that may impact the Parish Council.	
	<ul> <li>Enquiry forms have been received from our solicitors, completed and returned. The sale process continues.</li> </ul>	
510.2	Update on Church clock (war memorial).	
	<ul> <li>A quotation has been received from Cumbria Clock Company for £2095 to repair and reinstall the clock arms and drive mechanism. They were also asked to provide a quote for repainting and application of gold leaf to the clock face numerals whilst they were here. This quote was for an additional £2695, all plus VAT.</li> <li>It is thought that it was around 15 years ago when the clock face was repainted previously.</li> <li>The Parish Council can afford both pieces of work although it will mean dipping into our reserves until such time as next year's precept comes through to top these up.</li> <li>It was unanimously agreed to go ahead with all the work.</li> </ul>	
510.3	<ul> <li>Sign off of new lease for 6 years for community garden and allotments at Butts Meadow.</li> <li>A new lease based on the originally agreed lease has been received. This will cover a further 6 years. It was agreed to go ahead with the lease and Mark Glover signed the document at the meeting.</li> </ul>	
510.4	Other matters impacting the parish.	
	No other matters were raised.	
511	PLANNING	
511.1	Demolition of existing bungalow and erection of replacement dwelling and workshop (Affecting a Public Right of Way) Earlswood Langtree Torrington Devon EX38 8NZ	

	Ref. No: 1/0902/2022/FUL		
	<ul> <li>Councillors had a number of questions over this application particularly regarding the location of the footpath and visibility. It was decided to undertake a site visit on Saturday 17<sup>th</sup> December.</li> </ul>		
511.2	Proposed garage 1 Redlands Langtree Torrington Devon EX38 8LQ Ref. No: 1/1097/2022/FUL		
	<ul> <li>Councillors had no objections the roof line should be lower</li> </ul>	s although they wondered whether ed.	
511.3	Any updates on potential planning application for land at The Crescent, Langtree.		
	David Hurley has advised by 6	email that there were no updates.	
511.4	To consider any other planning applications received between issuing agenda and meeting.		
	No other applications have be	een received.	
512	CLERK'S REPORT AND FINANCE		
512.1	To receive update on financial position at end November 2022.		
	The position at the end of November was:		
	Lloyds account	£3,381	
	Reserve account	£6,502	
	Total	£9,883	
	<ul> <li>We paid Cumbria Clock Company £1770 for repairs to clock and £31.50 to TDC to cover lease costs.</li> </ul>		
	<ul> <li>Since issuing this report £1310 has been paid to Mike Baker as agreed in last month's meeting.</li> </ul>		
	No income was received.		
512.2	To request approval of BACS Payments and cheques  • None		
512.3	To review correspondence received.		
	<ul> <li>The Parish Clerk advised the council of correspondence with representatives of the Commonwealth War Graves Commission regarding the burial of Frederick Blight at Siloam who had died during the First World War.</li> </ul>		

513	PUBLIC PARTICIPATION  • None
514	ANY OTHER ITEMS AT CHAIRMAN'S DISCRETION
	<ul> <li>It was asked whether anyone had heard further about the Travis Perkins closure – no.</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>Peter Haselhurst will talk to the owners of the Union Inn in Stibb Cross regarding moving the defibrillator attached to the Travis Perkins building to their site.</li> </ul>
	The meeting closed at 8.45pm
515	DATE OF NEXT MEETING
	The date of next meeting is Thursday 12 <sup>th</sup> January 2023.