

Langtree Parish Council

Minutes of meeting held on 13th July 2017,

At 7.30 p.m. at Langtree Parish Hall.

Members Present Cllrs Attridge TA & Chair], Cllrs Mitchell, Glover, Tucker, French, Coles , Ley and Cllr Hurley[TDC]

Apologies Cllrs Bond and Edworthy

Minutes of previous meeting Read and agreed nem con.

Matters arising Concerning Butts Meadow there is a quote from SWW , to be dealt with under correspondence.

Police No attendance this month.

TDC Cllr Hurley reported that since the closure of Lloyds Bank in Torrington and subsequent problems with accessible ATMs, BT are planning to install one at or near the South St car park. The Berry Cross caravan planning issue continues. The applicant has apparently now employed an agent to act on his behalf, which will engender even more delays. Repairs are urgently needed to the Bideford new Bridge. Proposals to facilitate the repair suggest a one way system, with one lane inbound to Bideford from Barnstaple over high bridge, and one way outbound, Bideford to East the Water. It is possible repairs will start in October, lasting up to four and a half months.

Finance Current balance is £8400.11. There are bills yet to be paid in respect of materials for Butts meadow and SWW connection fees. These will total £1809.78 when paid.

Planning 1/0464/2017/OUT refused, 1/0463/2017 OUT granted 1/0383/2017/FUL granted.

Cllrs debated 1/0633/2017/FUL, conversion and building at 3 Fore Street, Langtree. They allowed Mr Haselhurst of 5 Fore Street to explain his objections, and after deliberation decided they could not support the application.

Correspondence. Cllr French presented a letter from 14 Fore Street concerning possible mis-use of the playing field. This was also covered by a recent anonymous letter to the Clerk. Anonymous correspondence may well be discussed but will not be responded to. It has now transpired that the occupant of 15 Fore street, subject of the letters, has decided not to proceed with his plans.

A letter from Mr Hinchcliffe, whose home in Fore St abuts the Millenium Garden states that he is concerned about possible charges for removal of garden waste. He very kindly maintains the garden for us, free of charge, which is much appreciated. Currently TDC does not charge for the waste removal, but if it does the Parish Council decided it must be

responsible for any fees and charges, and Mr Hinchcliffe will be so informed, and LPC thanks noted here for his efforts on our behalf. Likewise, the council decided to provide a wheelie bin for the play site at Beech Grove, Stibb Cross.

Butts Meadow water supply will cost £1490.40

Items at Chairman's discretion. Mrs Nichol, a parishioner raised a point about publication of council minutes. The point about a 30 day time limit for internet publication has to be clarified. Some minor difficulties in publishing the minutes on Langtree.net have meant there is sometimes a backlog of publication. Cllr French is in the process of creating a new website with easier and instant access to it by LPC. Hopefully this will solve the problem and not cause any related problems.

Cllr French raised the problem of parking in Fore Street, with a resident suggesting yellow lines. It was generally understood that this was not a probable outcome. He stated that he had received another parking complaint, about parking of cars on the playing field. Cllr Coles said that it had been her and another parent, who had been conveying children to the school and had driven into the hard standing entrance to facilitate a safe access to the school. This matter was considered closed.

It was decided to erect a sign, similar to that at the entrance to the playing field, to identify the site and give some history at Butts Meadow . The suggested wording would be

BUTTS MEADOW

Langtree Community Garden and Allotments.

**This ground was donated to Torridge District Council by the MAY family,
as a communal amenity for the future enjoyment of Langtree Village.**

There being no further business the meeting closed at 9.05 pm.