Langford Village Community Association Minutes 16th March 2015

Attendees: Bob Rudge, Ted Kingston, John Broad, Steve Clack, Caroline Cadbury, Rich Ponsford, Dom Cotter, Nick Cotter, Dan Sames, Richard Kingshott, Phil Parry and Carole Hetherington. Apologies: Matt Phillips and Mike Oke

1. Welcome and Introductions

Dan was welcomed to the meeting.

2. Minutes of Last Meeting

Minutes of the February meeting were reviewed and agreed.

3. Treasurer's Update

Bank Balances at end of February 2015:

Account	No. 1	No. 2	No. 4	No. 5	No. 6	Total
Feb 15	1,643.63	8,058.17	0.00	23,643.67	0.00	33,345.47

4. Parking of Commercial Vehicles

Phil Parry expressed real concern about the parking of commercial vehicles in Osprey Close where double parking is taking place. This is potentially preventing emergency services getting through etc Phil explained that when you bought houses on Langford there was a covenant which prevented you from keeping caravans, boats etc on the drive. Nicholas Cotter pointed out that these were generally not enforceable because most people didn't even realise they existed. Also worry about vans etc parking in Nightingale Place during evenings and weekends, but Dominic Cotter said this was better that the vehicles being parked on roads. It was felt that we should put something in next Langford Life making a plea for considerate parking.

5. Wretchwick Way

There was an extended discussion about the future of the junction with Wretchwick Way and Peregrine Way (North) junction. This was an issue raised as a problem of major concern following a public meeting of the Langford Village Community Association on 18 September 2013. There as discussion about what might happen in the future linked in with the development work taking place in Bicester. No clear idea of when this road might be improved or barrier put up etc. Carole Hetherington & Richard Kingshot brought up some important issues and continue to want to get this subject on the agenda locally.

6. Hall Improvements

• The Garden – to be featured in Langford Life requesting ideas for development.

ACTION: Steve to include a feature in Langford Life.

• Bike Racks – Ongoing discussions.

ACTION: Mike to speak to Andy at the Sun Wah and Rich to continue to liaise with Tesco.

Hall acoustics – Bob advised that following a visit to the hall by Tom Wilson (at CDC) and his colleague (Graham) a company called Amadeus has been recommended.
 <u>ACTION:</u> Bob and Mike hope to be able to provide recommendations for approval imminently.

7. Bicester TAG (Traffic Action Group)

This item didn't formally come up as a discussion point as most of meeting dominated by Wretchwick Way and the local plan. Concern again about Chiltern Railways closing the barrier on London Road for extended periods after train line opens in the summer.

8. Bicester Town Planning Meeting Too much discussion to minute and much of it linked in with item 7 and item 9.

9. CPRE – Bicester Garden Town/City

The Councillors present, Dan Sames and Nicholas Cotter were very helpful in shedding light on the Local Plan 1 and Local Plan 2 in May and how these might impact on everything else happening in Bicester, from road improvements to house building. John Broad also made some very valid points about how there was a lack of co-ordination been the town, district and County Council.

10. Langford Life

Steve reported the progress on the new edition. A review meeting was planned for 17 March.

ACTION: Steve, Rich and Mike to continue to work on the new edition and keep Bob updated regarding the publication date.

11. School Lollipop Crossing Patrol

Mike has requested an update from the school. There is hope that the new incumbent will be in position after the Easter Holidays.

ACTION: Mike to continue to pursue the matter.

12. AOB

Date of Next Business Meeting - Monday 20th April 2015 at 8.15 pm at the hall