Langford Village Community Association Minutes 19th January 2015

Attendees: Bob Rudge, Dom Cotter, Nick Cotter, Matt Phillips, Caroline Cadbury, Rich Ponsford, Mike Oke, Nick Bull.

Apologies: Ted Kingston, John Broad, Steve Clack.

1. Welcome and Introductions

Nick Bull, a friend of Dom, was present to discuss the hall acoustics. Nick was welcomed to the meeting.

2. Minutes of Last Meeting

Minutes of the November meeting were reviewed and agreed.

3. Treasurer's Update

Bank Balances at end of December 2014:

| Account | No. 1 | No. 2 | No. | No. 5 | No. | Total |
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| Sept 13 | 1,573.63 | 7,148.95 | 0.00 | 23,642.07 | 0.00 | 32,364.65 |
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Caroline advised that the big cost for December was hall insurance at £854.74. Investigations into the PRS/PPL licence had paid dividends with a reimbursement of £115. Well done Caroline.

The Rugby Tots Saturday booking has commenced, but a vacancy has come up elsewhere in the calendar. It was suggested that any vacant slots be advertised in the forthcoming edition of Langford Life.

ACTION: Steve to liaise with Caroline on hall availability for including in Langford Life.

4. Hall Improvements

The Garden – it was agreed to include a feature in Langford Life requesting suggestions for how the garden might be developed – a new shed would be a high priority.

ACTION: Steve to include a feature in Langford Life.

Bike Racks – No progress had been made over the Christmas period.

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

Hall acoustics – Nick advised that he would look at the hall and provide feedback via Dom. Dom had also received a leaflet for a free independent appraisal of the hall which he will follow up. Mike will continue discussion with Vickie Zielinski at CDC.

ACTION: Dom to look into the various options and provide feedback.

5. Consultation Meetings

Gavray Drive – John Broad had sent a detailed report of the Cherwell Local Plan Examination in Public. John will also be providing a report to be included in Langford Life. Appreciation of John's efforts were minuted.

Network Rail – Mike advised that he had sent a letter to Sir Tony Baldry requesting urgency regarding a decision on the London Road crossing and that a holding reply had been received.

ACTION: Mike to monitor progress.*

* Since the meeting a more detailed reply has been received, a copy of which is attached.

6. Langford Life

Rich reported that template designs have been submitted and that a meeting to progress matters would be helpful when Steve returns from Norway. Ted is relinquishing the role of advertising coordinator after 15 years, and appreciation of his considerable efforts were minuted. Mike reported that early responses to advertising in the new style Langford Life were encouraging.

Rich and Matt reported that progress has been made with communications via Twitter and Facebook.

ACTION: Rich to coordinate a meeting to discuss Langford Life upon Steve's return.

7. School Lollipop Crossing Patrol

Mike reported that Mayor Lynn Pratt had kindly intervened to secure funding for the crossing patrol before Christmas, but that it was proving difficult to get any information from the school regarding the current status of the appointment.

ACTION: Mike to continue to pursue the matter.

8. AOB

Matt advised that a substantial amount of litter had been left after a football match on the sports field between Old and New Langford. A photo was shown to the meeting and Nick Cotter agreed to pursue the matter via contacts at Bicester Council.

ACTION: Nick to pursue and report back.

Date of Next Business Meeting – Monday 16th February 2015 at 8.15 pm at the hall