



Langford Village Community Association

Minutes of the Meeting held on Monday 17 April 2023

8pm – Virtual Meeting

Attendees	Carole Hetherington (chairing), Sandra Davies, Noel Hetherington, Jim Finlay, Elaine Whittaker, Simon Thompson (early part of meeting), Amit Sage
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Agenda Item and Actions	Owner
Apologies: None	
New Committee member: Chair advised Amit Sage had confirmed his interest in joining the LVCA Committee. Chair proposed accepting Amit on the Committee. Seconded by Treasurer. Unanimously agreed by rest of committee. Amit will take over grant applications	
Approval of Minutes March 2023: Approved – Chair to sign Matters Arising: <ul style="list-style-type: none">Boiler Service completed – no issues detected in respect of the occasional pressure drops experiencedRadoslav (cleaner) is now cleaning the tables monthly. While this will not entirely solve the issue it will help. If further issues, we will need to remind groups to make sure they are clean as they put them awayNew floor cupboard installed, housing the microphone and stand for the hearing loop. Keys only given to two groups, WI and social groupChair trolley now delivered and in useKitchen towel roll dispenser now installed	Chair
Hall Maintenance: <ul style="list-style-type: none">Alun has investigated the Access toilet not flushing well. Simon advised parts awaited to fix the issueAlarms serviced 22/3Simon will make good around the fitment of the kitchen roller once the work is completedSimon to purchase paint to enable ad hoc touch ups of walls as needed	Simon

<p>Treasurer's Update:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • For the Year-End Accounts Treasurer will be filing an overall surplus of £3.9k, comprising of a Normal Operating surplus of £10.9k, and a Hall Improvement deficit of £(7.0)k. Overall this is a £13.9k improvement against budget, the key reasons for which are as follows : - • Hall Rental Income £5.3k and Maintenance & Cleaning costs £3.6k better than budget, offset by Energy costs being £(0.5)k worse. • We spent an unbudgeted £3.1k on creating and running the LVCA Seated Yoga, Art Classes and Social Group meetings. However, this was offset by £3.6k in grants from CDC, and £2.0k in extra income from class fees, giving us a net surplus of £2.5k. • We actually spent £10.7k on Hall Improvements, however we also received grants of £2.2k and released a provision of £1.5k because we won't be progressing the cleaning of the external clock, meaning we were £3.0k better than budget. • Treasurer has also shown the Assets and Liabilities on the spreadsheet, to illustrate that although we have £41k in bank accounts, £8k of liabilities means the net assets are £33k. 	
<p>Bookings:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Very few dates now remaining through June/July/August • Committee discussed the workload of handling both casual bookings and courses, and agreed new committee members should be recruited 	Committee
<p>Communication and Marketing:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • There have been two recent broadcast reports concerning London Road level crossing - on BBC Radio Oxford and Meridian TV - both have been published on the LVCA website for public listening/viewing. • A post re the wine tasting on 20th May - including a booking link - is also on the website and can be shared to social media or email etc from there. • Posts to the facebook page have included notification of the springtime event in the orchard, Victoria Prentis' visit to the Nightingale and a public service warning re rogue callers from OCC/Neighbourhood Watch. • Other matters: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ The ever-growing pot hole at the entrance to the car park is a big talking point. Nick Cotter posted that he had been in touch with Andy who would arrange for repair. At time of writing, this seems to still not have happened, undoubtedly some cars have been damaged by this by now. Some motorists have been spotted taking pictures after passing over it. 	

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Chair attended the Victoria Prentis visit to the Nightingale on Wednesday evening. Unfortunately the event was very poorly attended. Chair was able to speak to her about the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ What pressure is she putting on central govt to help ensure we obtain the funding for London Road crossing ○ Missed opportunity for Bicester regarding the new super surgery ○ Lack of bus service ○ Pot holes • Outstanding issue – a welcome sheet in conjunction with Fltr welcoming people to Langford Village to be given out by Estate agents • No further information from BTC regarding the topics listed below: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Thames Water regarding Jubilee Lake and the paths ○ Discussions are continuing regarding making the land between old and new Langford formally into Langford Park, and designating it a nature reserve ○ It's also been noted that we would like an outdoor gym for Langford Park ○ Emergency Plan for Bicester • No further developments on the tree front. The Cherwell survey report for trees bordering Gavray and Wretchwick from Phil Evans of BTC is still awaited. • 2 questions James would like to put to BTC are: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Whether such a survey will only cover those trees immediately next to the roads or also include those nearer the housing estates, these also really concern the residents who raised their issues. ○ Would CDC even be interested in those trees further from the roads? • 	James
<p>AOB:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Several of the non tarmac pathways in Langford Park need attention – very muddy • CDC Election Officer liaising with Sandra regarding possible visit to Hall prior to election day • Gardeners are retiring. Simon may be able to take this work over 	James

2023 Committee Meetings (all 8pm via Zoom):

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| Mon 15 May | Mon 19 Jun |
| Mon 17 Jul | Mon 21 Aug |
| Mon 18 Sept | Mon 16 Oct |
| Mon 20 Nov | No meeting December |

AGM: 7.30pm Tuesday 17 October