

Langford Village Community Association

Minutes of the Meeting held on Monday 15 May 2023

8pm – Virtual Meeting

Attendees	Carole Hetherington (chairing), Sandra Davies, Noel Hetherington, Elaine Whittaker,
	Amit Sage

Agenda Item and Actions		Owner
Apologies: James Finlay		
Approval of Minutes April 2023:		
Approved – Chair to sign		
Matters Arising:		Chair
 Protruding screws on Kitchen Roller Shutter have now been capped. Smoke detector being fitted 16/5 Gents and Access toilets plans have been progressed, all committee members have seen and commented on the proposed equipment Chair has gone back to CDC regarding grants for loft insulation and has also asked ACRE via Tessa Hall Speakers and second microphone ordered from the funds from the co-op. due later this month Not heard anything recently regarding the Friday bus service, our County Councillor has been very quiet Pot holes in car park now repaired – note LVCA have no responsibility for car 		Chair
park Hall Maintenance: No issues		
No issues		

Treasurer's Update:			
	 Treasurer has run the figures for April, and we recorded a surplus of £0.9k, which is in line with the budget. However, there have been a few problems setting-up the new report for 2023-24, so no copy attached this month. We received a Hall Improvement grant of £10,000 from CDC in April, towards the Toilet Refurb, and another of £430 from the Co-op, towards the PA speakers and microphone. Impact on finances of building work in Jul/Aug not expected to be significant as many Regular Users are continuing their sessions a reduced rates 		
Bookin	gs:		
•	Committee discussed issues around hiring hall to Casual Users during school holidays when some Regular Users do not use their usual slots – cleaning, rubbish, availability for trades people to complete projects etc. Bookings Secretary to use her discretion, but committee very aware of additional workload this could cause. No parties except at Christmas and Hall to be vacated by 8pm. Minimum hire of 3 hours.	Sandra	
•	Regular User's bookings to be populated on Hall Master for 2023/2024 to	Treasurer	
	avoid double bookings		
Comm	unication and Marketing:		
•	Results of both district and council elections were published as soon announced on 5th May		
•	Promotion of the Wine Tasting on 20th May, with easy booking button, on website continues. Also shared on our facebook and twitter channels No issues, a relatively quiet month.		
Hall Im	provements:		
•	We have been successful in obtaining a $\pm 10,000$ grant via CDC towards the refurbishment of the toilets. We will be getting the works on the gents and access toilet done during the summer holidays and are in the process of finalising colours and equipment.		
•	We now need to obtain funding for the ladies' toilets. Amit is attending a fundraising training session via zoom through ACRE in June, which hopefully will give us new ideas for funding opportunities.		
•	Carole and Amit have met and are in the process of handing over the grant information		
•	Loft insulation, as notes in matters arising		
•	Projector screen is now fitted to the wall with electrics are being completed 17/5. Key access will be required to use the screen		
•	Chairman and Treasurer will be clearing out the shed 17/5 and donating the bookcase and books to charity. The kids play equipment which is very old will be either scrapped or sold for a minimal amount. There may be a few other items to sell with funds going towards the ladies' toilet refurbishment		
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Senior Residents Courses:	
Art Class:	
 David Meeks has been invited to the social group to hopefully inspire more people to join. Currently about 6 attendees. David Ok to have a break in August and restart in September. 	
Social group:	
 The Group wish to continue through the summer and will probably meet at the Nightingale if the hall is unavailable. Still going well with around 10-13 attending. Veritie Turner from BBOWT came to do another talk this last week. Elaine has provided details of another dancer who is willing to do a talk. We will try and space talks ou between general meetings. Sandra will continue to run the sessions with Harry to help. The ladies have agreed to help if Sandra can't be there as long as we give them notice. Rather than get too many people involved Sandra feels this should work 	-
Wine Tasting	
 Next session to take place 20/5 6pm-8pm. Set up on Bookaby 	
 Community and Locality issues: Bus Service – no further information Money still not received from OCC for the VAS sign, Chairman has followed it up several times with Calum Miller. Committee agreed a letter expressing concern should be sent to OCC Welcome sheet in conjunction with Fltr for new residents in Langford Village to be given out by Estate agents – to be arranged Chairman has received an email from Phil Evans to inform Chairman he has rejected the offer from Thames Water regarding Jubilee Lake as the wording meant BTC would be taking it over in its current state. Chairman will now report to Thames Water again the state of the paths and will attempt to escalate the situation to more senior levels. Committee discussed making an appeal via FB for local contacts to reach senior level people at TW 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 feedback from Phil Evans (BTC) following his request to Paul Canning for Arborologist report for Gavray and Wrethwick. Nothing new from residents In response to a post on Kirsty's FB page re flooding at the big lake, Chairmar called Thames Water and an emergency team was called in – fault in overflow system – now repaired and water levels back to normal 	James
 AOB: Chair to check with Cleaner re re-stocking toilet rolls Need more committee members – Word of Mouth seems to work best. Chair also to put appeal out via Regular Users 	Chair r

- Elaine reported heating on during a very mild day consider turning heating down Chair to contact Caretaker
- Richard Ponsford had been conducting monthly check of defibrillator Caretaker now to take this over. Chair will ask him to write up what needs to be done and put in LVCA files for future reference
- Committee asked to start considering the AGM and potential speakers and topics

2023 Committee Meetings (all 8pm via Zoom):

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