



Langford Village Community Association

Minutes of the Meeting held on Monday 15 April 2024

8pm – Virtual Meeting

Attendees	Carole Hetherington (chairing), Noel Hetherington, Laurence Gray, Sandra Davies, Elaine Whittaker, James Finlay
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Agenda Item and Actions	Owner
Apologies: None	
Approval of Minutes Mar 2024: Approved – Chair to sign	Chair
Matters Arising: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• The socket for the speed awareness camera has been installed near the school, and Laurence has moved the camera to the new socket (11/4). This has been published on Langford Life and shared to Kirsty's page• Welcome to Langford leaflet is now distributed with leaflets in the hall and Fltr. Langford Orchard have one displayed on their noticeboard, and also some in with their leaflets•	
Treasurer's Update: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• The full year overall bottom line is a deficit of £(1.3)k, which is £(0.2)k worse than the prior forecast, primarily due to higher energy costs.• This result comprised a deficit of £(7.2)k on Special Projects, offset by a surplus of £5.9k on our Normal Operating budget. Overall, this was £6.3k better than originally budgeted.• Our Net Assets/Equity was £31.9k at the end of March 2024, compared to £33.2k at the end of March 2023.	
Bookings: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Neither of the potential 2 new regular bookings previously reported have confirmed.• One of our other very long-term regulars, Slimming World, has sadly given notice of termination at the end of April.<ul style="list-style-type: none">○ Availability of these slots will be publicised via FB	

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Weekend bookings continue to be very healthy. Sandra will provide a checklist for other Committee members opening/closing Hall, including name of booker and hire times. 	
<p>Senior Residents Courses:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> All courses continue to be well attended, and the final full year figures showed a £30 overall surplus of income over expenditure. From May the Art classes will revert back to being mixed ability but will run twice monthly. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> New beginner enquiries will be placed on wait list The crafting sessions have been very successful bringing in around 20 people. There have been two sessions to date and the majority of comments are that they would like an increased frequency. As it is not possible to use any other Wednesday, Sandra would like to propose one Tuesday per month in addition. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Committee were concerned that a monthly slot could lock out other regular bookings, so agreed to consider using the currently spare slot on a month by month basis Still have new people joining Thursday Circle and have a high regular attendance. One question that has been raised is whether LVCA have a music licence <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Treasurer confirmed that LVCA have both a PRS and PPL licence These could be displayed on the LVCA noticeboard at the Hall Sandra has emailed Simon to see if he could help out whilst she and Harry are away - getting out/putting away the LVCA tables and chairs and filling/turning on and turning off and emptying the urn 	Treasurer
<p>Hall Maintenance:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Simon has been tackling the agreed jobs listed below over the Easter break and during quiet times <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Paint the entrance lobby woodwork - now completed and it looks great The frame around the storeroom entrance has been repaired and painted – looks good Repair and repaint the store room walls and woodwork that has become damaged due to the tables and chair stacks being constantly moved Paint bike racks Fence - clean off green and paint any necessary parts Make and install an additional noticeboard between the storeroom door and the gents' toilets, and recover any not already in blue Kitchen tap is to be repaired. If possible, timing of water run from taps will be shortened, and flush of gents toilets will be checked 	Chair
<p>Communication and Marketing:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Awareness raising of EWR consultation event in May (web and fb) New Friday bus service through Langford starting soon (fb) Langford Welcome Leaflet awareness (web, fb) Authorised walking route around Langford and GH (web, fb) 	

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Speed Monitor Device moved to outside the school (fb and insta) • Crafting sessions (images of projects etc supplied via Sandra (fb and Instagram)) 	
<p>Hall Improvements:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Carole’s meeting with Paul Tysoe on March 15th was very productive, both in feedback regarding what we have achieved and been doing over the last few months, and grants. The committee has seen a letter which is looking very optimistic regarding funding for the ladies toilet refurbishment. We will know by mid-June and have booked Monday 12th August to Saturday 24th August to allow the work to be completed. • Carole also discussed the kitchen replacement and we will be looking early autumn to apply for grants for a replacement (commercial) kitchen to hopefully have installed next summer (2025). • Amit and Carole met with the Energy Assessor Thursday 11th April (Govt scheme) who was very complimentary regarding what we have already achieved to date. She has gone away to write up and cost for us, loft insulation, solar powered panels and an air source heat pump. Hopefully this will all lead to us being able to obtain a grant for loft insulation. • Investigate the possibility of a self-closing door as front door so often left open by users – security and energy wastage concern. 	
<p>Local Community</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Carole attended the EWR Local Representative Group online meeting on Maundy Thursday evening. Topics of interest were: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ May 9th 2.00pm to 7.00pm at Weyland Hall - a meeting for all locals to understand the process the consultation has to go through. It would be good if as many of the Committee as possible attend. ○ June (date TBC) we will see the first drawings of the two proposed sites for a vehicle crossing and we will be allowed to comment. Following that feedback EWR will review and refine the proposal before the next stage of the consultation (suggested 12 to 18months later!). It was fed back to EWR that this is far too long after all this time of waiting. ○ The letters which had been sent out to some residents were discussed and feedback given at the consternation these letters caused. EWR took that feedback away to discuss how to improve on the communication around this. 	Committee
<p>AOB:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • One incident reported in Accident Report Book – no further action required • Committee discussed possible topics/speakers for AGM 	

Meeting Dates for 2024: 22 May (Tues) 17 Jun 15 July 19 Aug 16 Sept
 21 Oct 18 Nov AGM 26 Sept