

SUTTON-ON-TRENT PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on Monday 11th January at 7.30 pm via Zoom

Present: M. Jordan (Chairman), B. Blanchard (Vice Chairman), S. Hadley, R. Jones, S.Pike, J. Mears, J. Keeton, P. Marshall, P. Hibberd

In Attendance: County Cllr. Laughton, District Cllr. Michael and one member of public

Locum Clerk: LJ Campbell

210101 **Apologies for absence**

Apologies were received from Cllr. Hutchinson and K. Walker

Open Forum (10 minutes maximum)

There was no report that is not covered in the Minutes

210102 **Clerk update**

The Chairman paid tribute to Sutton-on-Trent Clerk, Sandra Akerman, who sadly passed away over Christmas. All Councillors expressed their gratitude and paid homage to Sandra's excellent work ethic and personality and agreed that she will be sadly missed. Cllr. Pike agreed to be the liaison for setting up a Face Book tribute and requested that all Cllrs. email her with their personal tributes, which, once compiled, will be included as an addendum to the Minutes for posterity.

It was agreed that LJ Campbell will continue to assist as Locum Clerk until physical meetings are re-instated.

210103 **Declarations of Interest**

Cllr. Keeton declared an interest in item 210107 (a) Holme Cottage.

210104 **Approval of Minutes from meetings held on 10th November and 15th December 2020**

The Minutes of the meetings were approved and will be signed at a later date.

2101045 **Matters arising from the minutes not covered elsewhere on the Agenda**

There were no matters arising.

210106 **To receive reports from County and District Councillors**

District Councillor Michael gave apologies from IDB as they are not allowed to attend Zoom meetings and read out an email received from IDB concerning (see Addendum XX). Cllr. Hibberd asked Cllr. Michael to investigate the power source at the pump station; is there a diverse power supply or just one supply?

County Councillor Laughton informed the Council:

- Covid levels in NSDC are going up slightly but not an alarming rate, vaccines are being rolled out with some venues not operating at full capacity although these appointments are being filled by phone-ins.
- Structural patching in Muskham is on the 2021-22 schedule.
- A site meeting was held on Main Street to discuss the flooding.
- Cllr. Laughton will chase the filling of Main Street and Carlton Cross roads pot holes.

210107 **Planning**

a) Applications:

20/02368/HOUSE | Removal of existing conservatory and erection of new single storey rear extension | 15A Palmer Road Sutton On Trent NG23 6PP – **NO OBJECTION**

20/02460/HOUSE | Proposed conversion of existing garage space to form new kitchen and living space. | Holme Cottage 1A First Holme Lane Sutton On Trent NG23 6PE – **NO OBJECTION**

20/02456/HOUSE | Demolition of existing single storey section and replacement with two storey extension. | The Old Library 10 Main Street Sutton On Trent NG23 6PF. **NO OBJECTION**

20/02465/TWCA | Removal of 21 conifers (the line of trees running East to West (along the boundary with 1 Main Street) will be replaced with an evergreen hedgerow in keeping with that already in place further. | 28 Church Street Sutton On Trent NG23 6PD. **NO OBJECTION**

b) Decisions from NSDC (for information only): None at the time of setting the Agenda.

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Financial

a) To record receipts: There were no receipts to report

b) To agree payments: It was agreed by full council to cancel the subscription to 'Parish Online'; Clerk to action.

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Reports

a) Playing Field

Cllr. Mears reported that he is at risk and cannot go out and therefore unable to collect the required fence panel; Cllr. Jordan offered to arrange for the panel to be delivered to Cllr. Mears so that he can fit it.

b) Cemetery

Cllr. Mears reported a large mound of earth at the right hand side of the bottom building; it was agreed that this should be levelled out once the weather has improved. To be reviewed.

A Parishioner who visits his parents grave regularly asked for permission to paint the door on the cemetery building; the PC agreed. He also reported the dripping tap which, according to Cllr.

Blanchard, has been like that for a long time; Cllr. Mears will assess when he is next allowed out.

Cllr. Blanchard reported that he and Sandra Akerman (Clerk) had marked out the remaining 15/16 grave plots in the old cemetery ground that need to be filled before moving onto the new cemetery ground.

c) Highways

Cllr. Hibberd reported that a stats search has been conducted for the corner of High Street and Church Street as a potential site for the War Memorial, they are waiting for BT and the Gas Board stats; Cllr. Hibberd will keep the Council updated.

i) Community Speed Watch update

Cllr. Pike reported that as a speed watch requires three people to be in attendance, they have been advised to halt any further events; they will resume when they are able. Some volunteers have dropped out so they will need to do a recruitment drive on starting up again.

d) Public Footpaths

There was nothing to report on footpaths. Cllr. Marshall reported that the winter salt is still available; Cllr. Jordan will arrange for it to be collected.

e) Churchyard

It was reported that the proposal for 're-wilding' part of the church grounds is on hold until further notice.

f) Nurseries Hall

The Village Hall Working Group is pursuing 3 strands of work. First Damien Ellis is leading in discussions with various companies with a view to recommending to the Parish Council the appointment of an employer's agent whose early work would be to produce a cost estimate for the scheme. Second, and alongside this, Clare Laxton is leading on fundraising in order to identify major capital funding opportunities. Third, Richard Jones has produced an estimate of operating costs and potential income which will be necessary in order to demonstrate to potential capital funders that the costs of running the hall can be covered by income.

g) Sports Club

The club is still closed and there was nothing further to report. Cllr Pike will liaise with the Methodist Hall to see if they can take advantage of the funding.

h) Library Support Group

The library is still closed and there was nothing further to report.

i) Any other reports

There were no other reports

210110

Correspondence received

The Clerk received an email from a parishioner regarding the newly laid footpath that runs from the show homes area to Palmer road, stating that the path is very muddy and requested that the PC brings this to the attention of the developers; Clerk to action.

Correspondence circulated to Cllrs upon receipt:

- NCC Waste and Recycling update
- NALC Coronavirus update
- Postponement of reshaping health services in Nottinghamshire public events 5 January 2021
- NSDC Latest vaccine update

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Other Items not on the agenda

Open Forum (10 minutes maximum)

Cllr. Keeton reported that he has requested the details of the planning conditions not met by Persimmon; he will forward them onto Cllr. Michael to send to Claire Walker.

Next Meeting will be on Monday 8th February 2021 at 7.30pm via Zoom.