

SANDON PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the meeting held at **St Andrew's Church Meeting Room on Monday, 13th March 2017** commencing at 7.15 pm



PRESENT: Councillors: Dee Hyatt - Chairman
Martin Cross
Ron Bullus
Cedric Calmeyer
Rosemary Hoare
Richard Mbonye

In attendance: Ted Munt, Clerk

Visitors: Julie Fisher, Pat Ferris.

Mrs Fisher raised three issues. These were; wanting to get an agreement re fixing the pot holes in the village hall car park, the website needing to be updated, and the inconsiderate car parking by users of the Sports Club.

The meeting commenced at 7.25 p.m.

010317 Apologies for absence – none

020317 Declarations of Interest – none

030317 The Minutes of the Meeting held on Monday 13th February 2017 were approved and signed as a correct record.

040317 Current Issues

- a) Local plan – Cllr Hyatt to update the insert to the Spring Topics re the Local Plan. This will be discussed further at the Annual Assembly.
- b) Hall Lane – Countryside Developments have been contacted re the latest developments affecting their land. Bricks that are at the entrance to the site will need to be removed.

The meeting was then closed, and re-opened.

- c) Youth matters – It is hoped that 40 or so year 11 youngsters will take up the offer of spending a day at John Lewis. However, there may be a cost to the council. Cllr Mbonye to find this out.
- d) Maintenance – The water pipe on the allotment has been replaced. It was noted that the bus shelter on Maldon Road has been vandalised again.
- e) Sandon Sports Club – The SSC are not happy with one of the clauses. There will be a meeting Thursday 16th March where this is to be resolved. The issue of the bins will be discussed there as well.
- f) PCC– Their next meeting is the 20th March. Rev Brown to be asked whether he wishes to attend the Annual Assembly.

ACTION

Cllr Hyatt

Cllr Mbonye

Cllr Bullus

Cllr Hoare

- g) Website Update – Clerk needs to update new website. The meeting accepted the terms that Cllr Hyatt and Amanda have agreed re future maintenance of the site.
- h) Deed of Easement – No change since last meeting. Clerk has written to John Griffith-Jones. Now waiting for his solicitors to contact ours.
- i) Car park entrance – The Village Hall presented three quotes to repair the pot holes.
The meeting was closed, then re-opened
The P.C. voted to accept the J. Bambridge quote. Cllr Hyatt to contact Mrs Fisher offering to pay no more than half of this quote. The offer is to be made without prejudice.
- j) Community centre – We now have the three quotes for the conceptual drawings from the architects. Cllr Calmeyer to put the details on an email and send out to the councillors
- k) Annual assembly invitees – The clerk issued the latest invitee matrix. Amendments to be made and re-issued..
- l) Sandon Topics – Meeting agreed that this will be printed in-house using the new printer. Clerk to procure the necessary stationery items to enable printing to commence w/c 20th March.

Clerk

Cllr Hyatt

Cllr Calmeyer

Clerk

Clerk

050317 Correspondence

Correspondence received and action required –
We will accept the offer of the Parish Cleaning Service. Cllt Hyatt to determine which sites need to be targeted. The clerk has written to Mrs Snell re her concerns expressed at the last meeting.

Cllr Hyatt

060317 Finance

The following payments were tabled to be approved:

		Cheque no.
HMRC Income Tax	£107.60	102513
K. Dobson exps	£35.30	14
K. Dobson salary	£295.00	14
T. Munt salary	£308.90	Tfer
Amanda exps	£22.18	Tfer
B.T.	£58.15	Tfer
J. Bambridge (water pipe reps)	£647.50	15
EALC (CiLCA course)	£450.00	16
Thorndon Security (Maintenance of alarm system)	£232.80	17
St Andrews PCC (replacement cheque)	£650.00	18
Essex Pension Fund	£32.90	19
SLCC annual membership	£38.00	20

The clerk advised that the card reader and PIN should be issued by the end of next week (24th March). This should do away with the cheques.

070317 Planning:

17/00137/FUL Outbuilding Wayside Mayes Lane Sandon. Conversion of outbuilding to single dwelling. No observations

17/00157/FUL Rocquaine 34 Chalklands Sandon. Two storey front and rear extension, part single storey front, rear and side extension. No observations

17/00349/FUL Land West Of Chamberlains Farm Sporhams Lane. Proposed construction of a stable block, hardstandings and fencing. Sandon Parish Council object to the application on the grounds that this small area of field has already got at least 6 buildings on it, including 2 stable blocks, with no horses seen for a very long time.

Grazing on this property is very limited due to all the buildings that have been placed, therefore could not sustain any further stabling/horses. There are 2 very large barns at the rear of the property which we do not recall receiving planning applications for and they could also contain stabling if further equine accommodation required. This site is already over developed, and as it is on a protected lane, any more stabling would mean increased vehicular traffic and horse boxes which should not be encouraged. There is already a livery yard a very short distance away, and we feel this site is turning into a yard, which we do not feel is appropriate or needed in this area.

17/00319/FUL The Briars Mayes Lane Sandon. Proposed extension (from 20m x 40m to 20m x 60m) to existing manege and installation of a horse walker / exerciser for private use only. No observations

17/00359/FUL. Southlands Farm Southlands Chase. Two storey rear extension and balcony. single storey rear extension with flat roof canopy. New cart lodge and tennis court with perimeter fencing. No observations

Cllr Hyatt to post the item on the Neighbourhood Development Plan on both forums.

Cllr Hyatt

080317 Reported Incidents - None

090317 Information:

Cllr Hyatt to send out amended version of the Equal Opportunities Policy.
The recipient of the Sandon Cup was agreed. Cllr Calmeyer to collect and Cllr Cross to get it engraved.

All to note that the office will not be manned on Wed 29th March (as Clerk is on a training course), nor 3rd April (as Clerk is on holiday)

Cllr Hyatt
Cllr Calmeyer
Cllr Cross

Meeting closed at 9:00 p.m.

The next meeting will be held on Monday 10th April 2017 at at Howe Green United Reformed Church at 7.15pm