

SANDON PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the meeting held at **St Andrew's Church Meeting Room on Monday, 9th January 2017** commencing at 7.15 pm



PRESENT: Councillors: Dee Hyatt - Chairman
Martin Cross – Vice Chairman
Ron Bullus
Cedric Calmeyer
Rosemary Hoare
Richard Mbonye (left meeting 20:26)

In attendance: Ted Munt, Clerk

Visitors: Les Loveridge, Hall Lane

Les had received a letter on the Southend and Essex local waste plan and was concerned how it affected Sandon. Cllr Hyatt had looked at the Plan on line and could not find anything that related to the local quarry. Les also brought up the recent problems re Hall Lane. Cllr Hyatt gave an update on the recent correspondence

The meeting commenced at 7.30 p.m.

010117 Apologies for absence – none received.

020117 Declarations of Interest – none

030117 The Minutes of the Meeting held on Monday 12th December 2016 were approved and signed as a correct record.

040117 Current Issues

- a) Hall Lane – The potential restorative justice session to be delayed as Cllr Calmeyer is planning to have another discussion with the resident concerned.
- b) Youth matters – Cllr Mbonye is looking to give local pupils a tour of John Lewis but the shop is currently very busy. Visits could be arranged from March/April once the schools have been engaged.
- c) Maintenance issues – An amendment to the Handyman's Contract of Employment was submitted to the meeting. The amendment was proposed by Cllr Calmeyer and seconded by Cllr Bullus. The clerk will retype the amendment on a Parish Council letterhead and send to Mr Dobson. A copy will be placed in the Handyman's personal file.
The water pipe to the allotments will be fixed by the end of this month.
- d) Sandon Sports Club – Cllr Bullus will attend their meeting this Weds. He will tell them that the contract for the lease will be signed shortly. He suggested that a joint meeting be set up with the diocese to discuss the impact of the new community centre.
- e) PCC– Cllr Hoare has drafted a letter telling the PCC that we do not want to merge our Topics with their newsletter. Clerk to type up and send to Rev

ACTION

Cllr Calmeyer

Cllr Mbonye

Clerk

Cllr Calmeyer

Cllr Bullus

Clerk

Terry Brown within an email.

- f) Website Update – Amanda will demonstrate the new website, to whoever is interested, at the P.C. office. She will offer up a couple of dates
- g) Deed of Easement – Clerk to write to John Griffith-Jones following email received from our solicitors. **Clerk**
- h) Car park entrance – The Village Hall needs to obtain three quotes to repair the pot holes. The P.C. will then consider whether they will contribute, having understood the potential costs. **Cllr Calmeyer**
- i) Sports Club’s waste bins – to be discussed at this Wed’s meeting **Cllr Bullus**
- j) Community centre – Three architects will be approached to submit quotes for the conceptual drawings. Once an architect has been appointed, an application will be submitted to the BIA for funding. The council will have to cover the costs until funding is available. **Cllr Calmeyer**
- k) Clerk’s pension – the resolution agreeing that the clerk join the Local Government Pension scheme operated by Essex County Council was passed. Clerk to action. **Clerk**
- l) Affordable housing – further discussions needed.
- m) Children’s Play Area at Lintons – it was established that this did not fall under the remit of the P.C.
- n) Annual assembly invitees – Clerk to come up with a list. **Clerk**
- o) Equal opportunities policy – amendments were raised. Cllr Hyatt to incorporate and re-issue. **Cllr Hyatt**
- p) Sandon Topics – need to start thinking about what to include. All to come up with subjects/headings. **All**
- q) Parish Office equipment – the following items were agreed to be purchased:
Laptop, printer, fire extinguisher, fan heater. **Cllr Calmeyer
Clerk**

050117 Correspondence

Correspondence received and action required –
Clerk reminded the meeting that we had received £733.95 as CIL money. This needs to be spent on items that will support the development of the area.
Barclay’s Bank had sent back the forms. They need to be re-signed and returned.

**Cllrs
Hyatt/Cross**

060117 Finance

The following payments were approved:

		Cheque no.
A Parsons Salary	£23.70	491

K Dobson Salary	£387.50	492
K Dobson Expenses (storage, mileage)	£33.50	492
T Munt Salary	£269.20	493
RCCE sub	£66.00	494
R. Hoare (Xmas tree)	£39.95	495
Essex Pension Fund	£32.90	496
Hyde Lane service Station (petrol)	£33.70	497
B.T.	£50.77	498

Note that the precept was agreed at £30,580.00 for 2017/18

Cllr Bullus to send out the agreed budget for 2017/18

Cllr Cross proposed that a finance sub-meeting be formed with Cllr Bullus and the clerk. Meetings to take place as and when required

Cllr Bullus

Cllrs
Cross/Bullus
Clerk

070117 Planning:

16/01713/CLOPUD. Rainbows End Blind Lane Sandon. Proposed siting of a caravan. Sandon Parish Council object to the siting of a very large 4 bed mobile home measuring 40 x 20 behind Rainbows End. Rainbows End previously obtained permission for changing a stable block into an Annex 14/01279/FUL, that is an additional accommodation to the bungalow building. We therefore feel that sufficient accommodation has been provided to house the lady mentioned in the application. We do not wish to see this site over developed. This area is Green Belt/Rural and caravan type accommodation would normally be restricted to providing temporary accommodation for agriculture, forestry, outdoor sport and recreation and other uses of land which preserve the openness of the land. The permission requested is to provide a permanent home for a family member to live on the property, which would not be 'in our opinion' one of need. It would conflict with the openness of the rural scene, and therefore totally unacceptable. Sandon Parish Council request that this is refused.

15/02135/FUL. Land At Former Sandon Centre Woodhill Road. Material Amendment to planning permission 15/02135/FUL (Construction of gospel hall and associated external works including use of the existing car park as an overflow facility for Sandon school) - Alterations to design of proposed gospel hall including; reduction in height, reduction in size of canopies, reduction in no. of air conditioning units, alterations to fenestration and doors and addition of 7 family parking spaces. Sandon Parish Council welcomes the reduction of roof height and canopies in this amended application. However, we are saddened to lose the green space where the existing small Chapel is, to car parking. We also feel that with the extra car parking now totalling 138 plus room for motor bikes, and the use of busses and coaches to bring worshippers to this very large venue, there should be provision at least for an In and Out drive to the car park, to stop any parking on Molrams Lane and to alleviate problems on that narrow country road. We are very unhappy and concerned with this huge car park and huge Chapel, in a rural environment.

16/02122/FUL. Mead Cottage Butts Green Road Sandon. Proposed single-storey rear extension.
No observations

080117 Reported Incidents - None

090117 Information:

Cllr Hyatt will frame a map of the parish. This to be hung in the p.c. office

Cllr Hyatt

Meeting closed at 9:10 p.m.

The next meeting will be held on Monday 13th February 2017 at Howe Green United Reformed Church at 7.15pm