

SANDON PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the **Parish Council Meeting** held online via
Microsoft Teams on **Monday, 11th May 2020**
commencing at 7.15 pm



PRESENT: Councillors:
Dee Hyatt - Chairman
Cedric Calmeyer
Elaine Williamson
Martin Cross
Alan Kalbfell
James Colbeck

In attendance: Clerk.

010520 Apologies for absence – None

020520 Declarations of Interest – None.

030520 Public participation session. None present.

040520 The Minutes of the Meeting held on Monday 9th March 2020 were approved. Cllr Hyatt to sign as a correct record at a later date.

050520 Clerk's Report. Issues arising from this were as follows:
Cllr Colbeck to provide details of a large black gazebo to Clerk
Clerk to add an "action by" date to spreadsheet

060520 Ratification of decisions made since the last P.C. meeting 9th March.

It was resolved that the P.C. ratify the following decisions:

- a) Clearance of the area of land between Butts Green Road and East Hanningfield Road at a cost of £10,500
- b) Payment of the March invoices 10th April
- c) Agreement to pay the handyman an average of his hours over the last three years during this current period of lockdown

070520 Current Issues.

(a) Maintenance and ditch clearing – Cllr Calmeyer reported that the clearance of the land between Butts Green Road and East Hanningfield Road should be completed shortly. Cllrs had received some feedback over this work. Most was complimentary. Meeting recognised that advance notice of this work to the nearby residents would have been beneficial. Meeting agreed that the contractor receive an interim payment of £5,500 for his work. It was noted that Coppings ditch will be cleared by 15th May. Cllr Hyatt was thanked for clearing the triangle of land by East Hanningfield Road and Southend Road. Meeting agreed that the P.C. will keep this area clear in future.

(b) Allotments – Clerk to write to those allotmenters who are struggling to keep their plots clear. Would they be prepared to give half up?

ACTION

Cllr Hyatt

Cllr Colbeck
Clerk

Clerk

Cllr Calmeyer

Clerk

- (c) Community Centre – The revised drawings have been sent to the Diocese for their comments. We are awaiting CCC’s outline planning approval.
- (d) Neighbourhood Development Plan – The meeting noted that there will be a virtual meeting with Jenny Robinson from CCC 12th May.
- (e) PCC – The Diocese do not want the construction of a secure storage area to store the mower. However, there may be someone local who would be prepared to store it.
- (f) Sports club – Meeting recognised the loss of income for the Club during this period of lockdown. It was agreed to waive the rent for the last three months. Clerk to inform the Secretary.
- (g) Virtual Meeting Policy – It was agreed that the proposed Virtual Meeting Policy be accepted. Clerk to amend the section about how the voting will be conducted.
- (h) May 2020 AGM – Meeting noted that the need for this in 2020 has been cancelled due to the Covid-19 issues. Cllr Hyatt will remain as the Chair.

Clerk

Clerk

080520 Correspondence received and action required – Clerk to come up with a response to recent criticisms about the P.C. on social media. All to reduce the size of their mailbox. This can be simply done by moving all into a Personal folder. Cllr Hyatt to investigate the Kaeden Place footpath problem.

Clerk
All
Cllr Hyatt

090520 Finance

(a) The following payments were tabled and approved.

Employee costs	£995.40	Tfer
Andrew Eng	£5,500.00	Tfer
Parish Magazine Printing	£200.00	Tfer
Cedric Calmeyer	£22.30	Tfer
Plusnet	£20.60	d/d
FR Jones	£21.10	d/d
Co-op	£7.95	d/d
BFS Fuels	£37.00	Tfer
Inkpen Downie	£1,560.00	Tfer
Came & Co	£683.47	Tfer
Ahead4	£16.20	Tfer

100520 Planning:

20/00466/FUL. Land At Tall Oaks Mayes Lane. Construction of a new dwelling with a garage/store and associated external works. Sandon Parish Council wish to object to this application on the grounds that this is a back garden development, which we feel strongly should not be permitted. Its access is opposite Blind Lane, and very close to a dangerous blind bend on a 60 mph country road. We note the lengthy traffic report which shows

vehicles travelling at nearly 30 mph just before the blind bend, which is still very fast considering the lack of visibility at this location.

This application contravenes Policy DC2- development in the countryside.

We note that the applicant has cited the new Local Plan which has not as yet been published but this council does not consider that the reasons given for the additional dwelling are sufficient grounds to override this policy which gives protection to the countryside, limiting overdevelopment.

20/00443/FUL 3, The Tythings Howe Green. Part two storey, part single storey rear extension with juliette balcony. Sandon Parish have no observations to this planning application with reference to the property, however, we feel there should be reference to the applicant repairing any damage done to the properties in The Old Tythings, repairing any damage to the jointly owned roadway especially at the narrow entranceway and the service drains in this roadway, caused by the large lorries accessing the build.

20/05067/TPO Dumbarton, East Hanningfield Road. T5 - Oak - Fell, T6 - Oak - Fell, T7 - Oak - Fell (Located to front of property). Reason: The tree works are proposed to stop the influence of the tree(s) on the soil below building foundation level and provide long term stability to "Ridgeway". No observations

20/00624/FUL Fragrance, Woodhill Road. Extension at first floor over previously approved ground floor section of new house, including this ground floor section repositioned by 2.0m towards the rear as approved in application 19/01679/FUL. No observations

20/00591/FUL Rosewood, Southend Road. Proposed replacement dwelling. No observations

20/05078/TPO Block 1 To 9, Sandon Brook Place. T3 - Yew - northern border of Garden of Block 1 to 9 - Reduce overhang, excessive shading and invasion of garden amenity space by approximately 2 metres, cut to a suitable growing point leaving a smooth flowing profile, remove deadwood. Reason: Overhanging No. 10 and to maintain health and good structural integrity of tree. No observations

110520 Items of report and potential matters for future agendas.- None

120520 Items for next edition of the Topics. – To include the question of whether a bench could be sited at the newly cleared East Hanningfield Road and Butts Green Road. Cllr Hyatt has already prepared a couple of pieces.

Meeting closed at 8:27 p.m.

The next Parish meeting will be held online Monday 8th June 2020 using Microsoft Teams starting at 7.15pm. NOTE REVISED DATE.