

SANDON PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the **Parish Council Meeting** held online via
Microsoft Teams on **Monday, 12th April 2021**
commencing at 7.15 pm



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

In attendance: Clerk

Cllr Hyatt expressed the Parish Council's condolences to the Royal Family on the death of His Royal Highness the Prince Philip, Duke of Edinburgh and called for a minute's silence to be held.

ACTION

010421 Apologies for absence – None. Meeting noted the resignation of Cllr O'Driscoll.

020421 Declarations of interest – None.

030421 Public participation session. None present.

040421 The Minutes of the Meeting held on Monday 8th March 2021 were approved. Cllr Hyatt to sign as a correct record at a later date.

Cllr Hyatt

050421 Clerk's Report. Clerk to chase up CCC and CP re littering on the sports ground

Clerk

060421 Current Issues.

(a) Maintenance and ditch clearing – Meeting agreed that it may be sufficient to cut the verge on the other side of the road from Corner Green as well as flailing some of the excess vegetation. Cllr Hyatt to supply Cllr Calmeyer with contractor details.

Cllr Hyatt

Meeting noted resignation of the handyman from 5th May. Short term solutions discussed were:

(i) Getting in a temporary contractor to cut the grassy areas. This could be for three months initially. He could use our equipment and charge us a maximum hourly rate of £15. Cllr Calmeyer to email cllrs with further details.

Cllr Calmeyer

(ii) A local resident may be prepared to take over the storage of the equipment. Cllr Calmeyer to progress

Cllr Calmeyer

(iii) Litter picking could be temporarily covered by cllrs, volunteers, or residents.

(b) Allotments – Meeting agreed revised lease. Clerk to send out to allotment holders. Cllr Cross to write to CCC head to expedite allotment lease

Clerk

decision. Decision to improve water supply to individual plots put on hold.

Cllr Cross

(c) Community Centre – Meeting agreed to pay the transport survey and planning application of £2,520 and £1,414 respectively.

(d) Neighbourhood Development Plan – Next meeting is 13th April when the consultant is going to be present.

(e) Sports club – The issue of litter on the field is still a problem. Might this be reduced once the lock down period is over? Cllr Kalbfell to see whether we could have signs affixed to the bins. Cllr Calmeyer to cost out whether we should purchase large bins. Clerk to chase up Sign It order. Cllrs to meet up and talk to offenders.

Cllr Kalbfell
Cllr Calmeyer
Clerk

(f) Village Hall – Meeting agreed to the reduced grant of £300 for last year. Also noted their new website address.

Clerk

(g) PCC – No meeting recently.

(h) Agreement of 2021 Action Plan – Cllr Colbeck agreed to re-write so that it was in a more appropriate format. To be agreed at next meeting.

Cllr Colbeck

(i) Love your Chelmsford agent – Meeting agreed that an invite to agent was not necessary for the moment.

(j) Eastern Community Homes – Meeting felt there was no appetite for more social housing in the parish considering all the proposed development that is coming our way.

(k) Local Highways panel – No recommendations from the meeting

(l) VE day 8th May – Meeting decided not to purchase a “Tommy” as it appears as though the church will have one.

070421 Correspondence received and action required – May meeting will go ahead as planned via Teams 10th May. Note possible court ruling 21st April. Sandon School will be erecting a fence around their land to prevent irresponsible dog owners. Cllr Calmeyer to cost out the purchase, and installation, of a dog waste bin.

Cllr Calmeyer

080421 Finance

(a) The following payments were tabled and approved.

Employee costs	£1081.22	Tfer
Redwood Partnership	£2520.00	Tfer
CCC Planning	£1414.00	Tfer
EALC fees	£416.55	Tfer
SLCC Sub	£112.00	Tfer
Plusnet	£19.20	d/d

(b) Meeting noted latest budget. This is for the full twelve months.

090421 Planning:

21/00190/FUL Fragrance, Woodhill Road. Proposed cart lodge. No observations

21/00389/FUL Paigles East, Hanningfield Road. Construction of single storey outbuilding. No observations

100421 Items of report and potential matters for future agendas – Clerk advised meeting that he is still planning to clear his surplus holidays by end of April as agreed. Clerk to put out an advert for a replacement councillor

110421 Items for next edition of the Topics – None identified

Meeting closed at 8:35 p.m.

At present, the next Parish meeting will be held online Monday 10th May 2021 using Microsoft Teams starting at 7.15pm