

SANDON PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the **Parish Council Meeting** held at **St Andrews Church Hall** on **Monday 8th July 2024** commencing at 7.15 pm



PRESENT: Councillors:
Dee Hyatt
Martin Cross
Cedric Calmeyer
Gary Nicholls
Darren Chaplin
Charlotte Lyons
Alan Kalbfell
James Colbeck

In attendance: Clerk.

ACTION

010724 Apologies for absence – City Cllr Julia Jeapes

020724 Declarations of interest (including pecuniary) – None declared.

030724 Public participation session. – no public present.

040724 The Minutes of the Meeting held on Monday, 10th June 2024 were approved. Cllr Hyatt then signed the minutes at the meeting.

050724 Council procedures. There was a discussion on meetings.

060724 City Cllr update. None received

Cllr Lyons left the meeting.

070724 Clerk’s Report. The new contact at CCC has visited the allotment site at Hall lane and has agreed that it is not the best place for development, bearing in mind its proximity to the A12 and potential flooding. This decision needs to be formally agreed by CCC.

080724 Finance

(a) The following payments were tabled and approved.

sub total employee costs	£1,137.93
TalkTalk	£25.97
D.W.Maintenance	£1,320.00
Reprohouse	£320.00
123 Reg	£27.59
Supplies 4 business	£173.10

Clerk to check on the Supplies 4 business invoice

Clerk

090724 Planning: There were no fresh planning applications for the month

After a lengthy discussion on the future developments planned for the parish, the following was agreed.

16B Columba Park. Cllr Hyatt to continue to make residents aware of the public presentation by Pigeon at Little Baddow Village Hall 16th July. Note that some households have already been leafleted. Cllrs may subsequently hold surgeries with the residents following this presentation.

Cllr Hyatt

Hammonds Farm. Sandon P.C. will continue to support the local “No to Hammonds Farm” protest group. Will wait for a formal request from them if they want a donation towards their fighting fund. Clerk to contact Peter Irvine about the website that has been created. Meeting agreed to pay the invoice for £154.90 + VAT which was the cost of the recent banners and leaflets.

Cllr Lyons
Clerk
Clerk

100724 Current Issues.

(a) Maintenance – Meeting agreed the quote of £920 from Paul Nicholas for the repainting of the parish office. Clerk to set up a meeting with the contractor and Cllr Calmeyer so that he is aware of what is needed. Meeting agreed the quote of £4,223 from Andrew Eng to replace the roofs of the two bus shelters. Cllr Calmeyer declared that he has worked with Andrew Eng and Gary Hall.

Clerk

(b) Community Centre – The Clerk and Cllr Calmeyer have agreed the response to the Charities Commission’s recent questions about the proposed CIO. Clerk to circulate to the other trustees and send back.

Clerk

(c) Feedback from the recent Topics questionnaire – 75% of the responses said they were happy that the format is to stay as is. Could future editions have pictures of the cllrs so that they can be recognised at events?

(d) Website and move to .gov.uk domain and email addresses. - Meeting agreed to the annual fee of £99.99 from Cloud Next to host our website as well as to supply the .gov.uk email addresses. The government is encouraging this migration by offering a one-off grant of £100. Meeting also agreed to the quote of £1,500 from Talk to Pheonix to completely upgrade, and revamp, the current P.C. website. This will include the costs of the migration.

Cllr Hyatt

(e) Chelmsford District Association meeting 17th July – Cllr Hyatt will attend on behalf of the P.C.

110724 Correspondence received and action required – None.

120724 Items for future agendas – None

130724 Items for future Topics – To publicise the new website. To have more information on cllr surgeries if these are going to take place. To include pictures of cllrs.

Meeting closed at 9:15 p.m.

The next meeting will be held Monday 12th August 2024 at the Howe Green Reformed Church starting at 7.15pm.

