

SUTTON PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

HELD ON THURSDAY 14TH MARCH 2024 COMMENCING at 7.30 P.M.

IN ST. JAMES CHURCH HALL, CHURCH LANE, SUTTON, SK11 0DS

PRESENT

Councillors: G Barber (Chairman), M Bhatia, R Chamberlain, D Fosbrook, K Stepien-Bialy, A Waller and T Whiskard.

Also present: The Parish Clerk and Ward Councillor C O'Leary. One member of the public (MOPs) was present.

- 58/24 THE COUNCIL RESOLVED to receive and accept apologies for absence from PSCO J Newns, Cllrs E Hall, B Griffiths, J Sinclair Smith (Vice Chairman) and T Priestman.**
- 59/24 THE COUNCIL RESOLVED to receive Dispensations and Declarations of Interest:** Cllr Barber declared an interest in Item 65/24 (as a member of the PCC) and Cllr Stepien-Bialy in 81/24 (as Editor of the Grapevine).
- 60/24 THE COUNCIL RESOLVED to agree and sign the Minutes as a true record of the meeting held on 8th February 2024.**
- 61/24 Public Participation – THE COUNCIL RESOLVED to receive information/queries/questions from members of the public (MOPs):**
- MOP spoke regarding an issue with lighting the reservoir defibrillator. A resident has donated his services to install the light. The Canal and River Trust have agreed for a light to be installed. Resident asked members to consider where to store spare set of pads.

MEMBERS REPORTS

- 62/24 THE COUNCIL RESOLVED to receive report from the Cheshire East Ward Member.**
(See Appendix 1)
- 63/24 THE COUNCIL RESOLVED to receive report from Macclesfield Neighbourhood Policing Team and agreed the following: (See Appendix 2)**
- To enquire whether he could use TRUCAM during rush hour times.
 - To report that an ambulance could not get past cars parked on Langley Main Road (going up to the forest).
- 64/24 THE COUNCIL RESOLVED to receive report of the Climate Emergency Working Group:**
The group met with members of the Macclesfield Wild Network to discuss plan for them moving forward. They will be investigating applying for grants. The working group will need to investigate this.
- 65/24 THE COUNCIL RESOLVED to receive report from graveyard working group:** Nothing to report.
- 66/24 THE COUNCIL RESOLVED to receive report from the Lyme Green Community Hall Working Group:**
A questionnaire has been sent out to all residents in Lyme Green regarding their thoughts on a community hall. Members noted the questionnaire (which had not been seen by the Parish Council in advance) and legal fees which Councillors feel should be borne by the developer.

FINANCE

67/24 THE COUNCIL RESOLVED to approve schedule of receipts and payments for March 2024:

Receipts From:

CHQ	Watkins	Allotments - Plot 10 and 11A	£78.00
	Barnard	Allotments - Plot 11B	£28.50
	Shephard	Allotments - Plot 2B	£24.00
	Wardle	Allotments - Plot 15A	£36.60
CHQ	Patterson	Allotments - Plot 6B	£20.60
	Greatorex	Allotments - Plot 7A	£31.65
	Palmer	Allotments - Plot 9	£51.00
	Heaven (Wheatstone)	Allotments - Plot 1B	£42.00
	Dalton	Allotments - Plot 14B	£35.25
CHQ	Wilmot	Allotments - Plots 1A and 2A	£42.00

Additional Receipts

	K Stepien-Bialy	Allotments - Plot 8A	£29.10
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	S Dalton	Allotments – Plot 14B	£35.25
Payments To:			
BACS	Sarah Giller	Clerks' net salary £666.90 and expenses £73.35 Pension contribution £40.56 HMRC payment due: NONE FEBRUARY	£740.25
Spending power: GPOC			
BACS	H. Oldfield & Son Limited	Lyme Green distribution regarding thoughts on village hall.	£24.00
Spending power: GPOC			
BACS	Signs of Cheshire Ltd	50% of payment made in advance for notice board in allotments. PAID IN ADVANCE	£369.00
Spending power: GPOC			
BACS	Signs of Cheshire Ltd	50% to be paid on delivery of Notice Board for Allotments.	£369.00
Spending power: GPOC			
BACS	F Davies & Sont Ltd	Order 293 – Column 56 LED Bulb	£109.80
Spending power: GPOC			
CHQ	Gill Barber	Sunflower seeds	£44.64
Spending power: GPOC			
BACS	NSALG	Allotments Tenants renewal insurance payment	£99.00
Spending power: GPOC			
DD	SSE	Account for 01/12/23 – 31/12/23 (collected by DD 14 th February 2024)	£174.51
Spending power: GPOC			
DD	SSE	Account for 01/01/24 – 31/01/24 (collected by DD 4 th March 2024)	£174.51
Spending power: GPOC			
DD	Spoton.Net Ltd (It'seeze website)	Months subscription FEBRUARY 2024	£54.00
Spending power: GPOC			
BACS	NPower	Unmetered Christmas lighting	£286.57
Spending power: GPOC			
BACS	Zurich	Insurance Renewal	£1529.91
Spending power: GPOC			
Pension Contributions:			
DD	NEST (National Employment Savings Trust)	FEBRUARY contribution Employee pension contribution - 5% - £35.10 Employer pension contribution - 3% - £5.46	£40.56
Spending power: GPOC			

- 68/24 **THE COUNCIL RESOLVED** to approve and verify figures from Bank Statement against bank reconciliation (up to 29th February 2024).
- 69/24 **THE COUNCIL RESOLVED** to consider insurance quotes (£1,529.91 Zurich and £2,172.51 Gallagher) and agree insurance cover and payment (expires 1st April 2024) with Zurich.
- 70/24 **THE COUNCIL RESOLVED** to agree to the signing of the Unity Account management submission form (signatories Cllrs Whiskard, Barber, Bhatia and Waller) for the addition of Councillor Hall as a signatory on the bank account (for authorisation of payments).

MATTERS FOR CONSIDERATION BY THE COUNCIL

- 71/24 **THE COUNCIL RESOLVED** to discuss estimated costs for the asset transfer of Turnip Brow (*estimate of costs £3,954*) and agreed that that Members would like to see a more detailed breakdown of the costs and ask whether these costs could be fixed.
- 72/24 **THE COUNCIL RESOLVED** to discuss results of survey of residents regarding the installation of live Christmas tree at Brighton Crescent (all positive) and agreed to make further enquires, regarding installing a native tree (attractive during the summer).
- 73/24 **THE COUNCIL RESOLVED** to agree quote for the refurbishment of Meg Lane phone kiosk (*Cost £ 650*) upon clarification that the quote includes any repairs to the door.
- 74/24 **THE COUNCIL RESOLVED** to agree Remembrance Day Risk Assessment with some minor amendments.

- 75/24 **THE COUNCIL RESOLVED** to agree the co-option of Mrs Christine Eyre as Lyme Green Councillor (Mr Horan and Mrs Eyre with both proposed and seconded by Councillors. Mrs Eyre received 4 votes and Mr Horan 3 votes).
- 76/24 **THE COUNCIL RESOLVED** to agree a response regarding The Local Government Boundary Commission consultation and to add an additional paragraph (what the community does together and similarities with Rainow) and Clerk to attend briefing on 18 March.
- 77/24 **THE COUNCIL RESOLVED** to discuss survey and agree response as not very effective regarding the effectiveness of the process of getting the 20mph limits in the Ward.
- 78/24 **THE COUNCIL RESOLVED** to discuss the defibrillator at the reservoir and agreed with solution to fit a solar lamp donated by a resident. It was reported that the Langley defibrillator box is showing signs of rusting, the sign marking the location is broken. **THE COUNCIL RESOLVED** to agree to contact the Community Heartbeat Trust to arrange repair.

HIGHWAYS MATTERS

- 79/24 **THE COUNCIL RESOLVE** to receive reports on highways issues and consider action:
- Walker Lane - road surface disintegrating from poor house to shop – noted on list for level two patching.
 - Walker Lane - Monday/Tuesday (for 5 days) – there will be traffic lights for works on a collapsed drain.
 - Still collapsed wall at United Utilities site with temporary fencing.
 - Lighting column (nr 1) not working at the bottom of Church Lane/Judy Lane junction (next to bench).
- 80/24 **THE COUNCIL RESOLVE** to agree to enquire with Highways whether they can pick the grass cuttings up left behind on Tunnicliffe/Morton Drive (by the older people's bungalows).

THE GRAPEVINE

- 81/24 **THE COUNCIL RESOLVED** to agree ideas for inclusion in the next Grapevine magazine (deadline 15th April).
- Sunflower Competition Poster
 - Scams to look out for.

PLAYGROUNDS

- 82/24 **THE COUNCIL RESOLVED** to receive report from Park 4All @Lyme Green: (See Appendix 3)

PLANNING

- 83/24 **THE COUNCIL RESOLVED** to agree comments for return to the relevant authority for these new applications:

Application No:	24/0269M
Proposal:	Replacement of existing temporary shelter with new Oak framed shelter, retention of temporary decking and extinguishment of two redundant car bays for the managers flat
Location:	30 YE OLDE KINGS HEAD, BRADLEY SMITHY, BYRONS LANE, MACCLESFIELD, CHESHIRE, SK11
Deadline	05-Mar-2024 (asked for extension to 15th March)

THE COUNCIL RESOLVED to agree the following comments to send to Cheshire East Council: "In principle Sutton Parish Council would support the shelter however, they are extremely concerned about the parking and congestion and its effects on drivers coming from Sutton and Langley. The shelter is too large in relation to the existing structure of the pub and should be sited in a way that the pavement and thoroughfare is kept clear at all times."

Application No:	24/0703M
Proposal:	Extension and conversion of two existing outbuildings to Holiday Lets (Change of Use to Class C1)
Location:	Oakenclough Farm, OAKENCLOUGH ROAD, SUTTON, SK11 0NG
Deadline	27th March 2024

THE COUNCIL RESOLVED to agree the following comments to send to Cheshire East Council: "*Sutton Parish Council have no objection to this application unless deemed unneighbourly.*"

- 84/24 **Noted; Decisions, appeals and withdrawals this month:**

Application No:	24/0490M – non-material amendment
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Proposal:	Non-material amendment to application 22/3765M - APP/R0660/W/23/3314797
Location:	The Sutton Gamekeeper, HOLLIN LANE, SUTTON, CHESHIRE, SK11 0HL
Decision	Refused

Application No:	23/4350M– non-material minor amendment
Proposal:	Non-material amendment to 23/0856M - Detached Ancillary Accommodation
Location:	23, MINOR AVENUE, LYME GREEN, SK11 0LQ
Decision	Withdrawn

CORRESPONDENCE

THE COUNCIL RESOLVED to receive the following correspondence:

- 85/24 CEC Ward Councillor – Speed Reduction assessment for Lond Road, Lyme Green.
- 86/24 Member enquiry - Speed reduction assessment - London Road, Lyme Green 24548853.
- 87/24 Seddon Homes - response regarding recent earth works close to the pool Lavender Fields.
- 88/24 Petition for CEC Leader to stand down - Vote of no Confidence.
- 89/24 CEC Planning Enforcement - 23/00683E - Quarry on East side Coalpit Lane, Langley.
- 90/24 CEC Planning Enforcement – 24/00148E: Land at Broadoak Farm, Leek Old Road, Gawsworth.

ALLOTMENTS

91/24 **THE COUNCIL RESOLVED** to receive report regarding payment of half the allotment notice board (full payment on receipt of goods) and **discuss** installation of notice board.

92/24 **MATTERS FOR INCLUSION ON NEXT AND FUTURE MEETING AGENDA**

- To **consider** quote for refurbishment of Millennium Signs (Sutton, Langley during 2024/25 and 2025/26). (Feb 2025)
- To **consider** installing notice board for Rural Ward.
- Turnip Brow
- Quiet Lanes

93/24 **DATE OF NEXT MEETING - THE COUNCIL RESOLVED** to agree the date for next meeting as Thursday 11th April 2024 commencing at 7.30 p.m.

There being no other business the Chairman declared the meeting closed at 21.35 p.m.

Minutes agreed by Sutton Parish Council as a true record

.. Chairman

Appendices

Appendix 1 – Ward Councillors report

- Still chasing S106 monies for Langley business park – raised again and has been promised it will be actioned. David Rutley MP raising issue as well.
- Application put in for speed assessment.
- Delivering leaflets and picking up blocked drains as he goes.
- Budget agreed 27/2 which includes additional car parking charges on Sundays/evenings and closure of Bollington and Poynton refuse centres.
- CEC are undertaking a corporate officer peer review assessment of the Council to identify issues and resolve them.

Appendix 2 – Macclesfield Neighbourhood Policing Team Report

Continued TRUCAM on JARMAN, HALL LANE, LANGLEY RD AND BYRONS LANE

School parking patrols at Hollinhey

Surgeries are:

Saturday 16th March 10-11am Sutton Café

Sunday 17th March Lyme Green Park 2-3pm

Wednesday 27th March Langley Methodist Church 10:30-11:30am

Incidents of note:

19/02/24- Damage to vehicle on Cock Hall Lane

22/02/24 - Sheep killed dog attack – Rural Crime team dealing

22/02/24 - Stop Search Brindley Way

03/03/24 - Lads shooting crows in field on Cock Hall Lane

03/03/24 - Road Rage incident Clark Lane

04/03/24 - Dog Bite incident London Road Lyme Green

07/03/24 - Theft of copper pipe Robin Lane Lyme Green

Appendix 3 - Park 4All @Lyme Green report

Easter: Trustees and volunteers have been unable to arrange anything for Easter in Lyme Green.

Water supply: The mains water supply we previously referred to is being installed in the week commencing the 18th March, the completion date is not known at this time. The work is being carried out by Fairways Landscapes and United Utilities.

Gardening Group Tool storage: The small container with living roof is being installed on the 18th March.

Wildflower area: An area for wildflowers is being prepared in March for seed sowing in April, Ansa are assisting with this FOC in that they are weed spraying the grassed area prior to soil preparation by rotavating. The wildflower area will be part way along the fence area on the right as you enter the park. (A similar wildflower bed is also being sown a Cop Meadow at the far end of the field)