

SUTTON PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

VIRTUAL MEETING HELD ON THURSDAY 20TH AUGUST 2020
at 7.30 p.m.

PRESENT

Councillors: A Waller (Chairman), G Barber, M Bhatia, R Chamberlain, M Eardley, D Fosbrook, J Flitcroft, B Griffiths, M Horrox, E Jones and J Sinclair Smith.

Also present: Sutton Parish Clerk, four members of the public and Cheshire East Ward Councillor Andrew Gregory.

157/20 APOLOGIES

THE COUNCIL RESOLVED to **approve** apologies received from T Whiskard (Vice Chairman) and PCSO Jim Newns.

158/20 DISPENSATIONS AND DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Cllrs J Sinclair Smith and G Barber, as members of the PCC, declared an interest in Agenda Item 176/20.

159/20 THE COUNCIL RESOLVED to **approve** the Minutes of the Meetings dated 23rd July 2020 which were confirmed as a true record and signed by the Chairman.

160/20 PUBLIC PARTICIPATION - THE COUNCIL RESOLVED to **receive** Questions from Members of the Public:

- A resident spoke regarding concerns over speeding and dangerous driving on Judy Lane (to be discussed at the September meeting).
- A resident asked regarding quiet lanes and was informed that a working group had met and would be reporting on progress at the September meeting.
- A resident spoke regarding the development of the upstairs of Sutton General Stores. They will be submitting a planning application and sending out letters to the community. Members queried appropriate parking and were informed that they are addressing this problem. The Ward Councillor offered to view the plans before they were submitted.

MEMBERS REPORTS

161/20 THE COUNCIL RESOLVED to **receive** report from the Cheshire East Ward Member:

- The Ward Councillor's August blog is now available.
- There are continued concerns regarding the influx of visitors into Macclesfield Forest and he is engaging with the Peak District National Park, United Utilities, Cheshire East Council parking team and the Countryside Manager.
- He will be attending a meeting with the Macclesfield Forest Working Group on 26th August.
- He continues to talk to highways to try and alleviate the parking pressure.
- United Utilities is engaging and listening to concerns regarding the increase in mounting bikers and is in discussion regarding extending the car parking at Standing Stones.
- Reported that the parking enforcement team will be out in force over the bank holiday weekend.
- Reported that he is working with Park4All regarding a possible donation towards play equipment.
- The Ward Council will enquire regarding maintenance of the quiet lanes at the Macclesfield Forest Meeting.

162/20 THE COUNCIL RESOLVED to **receive** report from Macclesfield Neighbourhood Policing Team:

- Reported milk bottle thefts Langley – operation ongoing.
- Drug issues Main Road Langley - No contact via email since discussion with Clerk. The Clerk reported that residents had now been in contact with him.
- Garden tools taken from van on Lyme Green settlement and a couple of suspicious activity jobs in Sutton, but nothing taken.
- Further issues surrounding Sutton Reservoir mainly due to warm weather and people misbehaving.
- Police Surgeries are running again taking COVID19 precautions. These are added to his Facebook and Twitter accounts.

HIGHWAYS MATTERS

163/20 THE COUNCIL RESOLVED to **agree** to report that following issues:

- Pot holes in Lyme View down one side of the road.
- Red Lane – complaint that signs for road closure are still in the hedges. CEC to be informed.

MATTERS FOR CONSIDERATION BY THE COUNCIL

- 164/20 THE COUNCIL RESOLVED** to **consider** guidance on holding physical meetings and **agreed** to the continuation of virtual meetings and to address monthly.
- 165/20 THE COUNCIL RESOLVED** to **agree** to obtain a quote for the replacement of the bench situated on Ridge Hill. The owners of the memorial bench to be asked if they wanted to replace the bench or to pass on the option to another family.

ALLOTMENTS

- 166/20 THE COUNCIL RESOLVED** to **receive** report update relating to the condition of allotment plots and **agreed** with actions by Allotment Group.
- 167/20 THE COUNCIL RESOLVED** to **note** update of the allotment webpage.

PLAYING FIELDS - ROBIN LANE

168/20 THE COUNCIL RESOLVED to **receive** report from Park 4all @Lyme Green:

Ansa had expected to restart work on the park at the end of July, beginning of August but, they have just been advised that Ansa are having problems with supplier delays due to Covid19. One particular supplier is for the tarmac, which affects a number of projects for Ansa, but only affects the access to the sunken garden in Robin Lane Park. This will mean that Ansa will not resume work in the park until September. It was agreed that Ansa would open the park so that people could have access to the open ground, the fitness stations and the picnic tables therefore, Ansa staff are due to move the fence at the park entrance. The situation will be clarified soon. An information poster will be posted on Facebook and as a poster will be displayed at the entrance to the park.

FINANCE

169/20 THE COUNCIL RESOLVED to **approve** bank reconciliation and **note** bank statements up to 31st July 2020.

170/20 THE COUNCIL RESOLVED to **approve** the schedule of receipts and payments for August 2020.

Receipts From:

Transfer	Bonus Saver account	transfer to Sutton Parish Current Account	£9000.00
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Payments To:

DD	EON	Electricity Account Statement AUGUST 2020	£169.07
Spending power: GPOC			
Chq 679	Sarah Giller	Clerks Salary made up of Salary £627 and expenses £59.12	£686.12
Spending power: GPOC			

171/20 THE COUNCIL RESOLVED to **discuss** 12 month Parish Council action plan and agreed that Members should inform the Clerk if they had anything to add.

172/20 THE COUNCIL RESOLVED to **review** management of assets forms and **agree** action that the following Councillors would review the state of the following assets and report back to the Council:

Cllr Barber -	All	village signs Langley and Higher Sutton.
Cllr Sinclair Smith -		Rural Ward assets.
Cllr Bhatia -		bus shelter Langley.
Cllr Waller -		phone box Sutton.

PLANNING

173/20 Members **agreed** comments for return to the relevant authority for these new applications:

Application No:	20/2030M
Proposal:	Single storey extension to rear elevation
Location:	17, STANIER CLOSE, LYME GREEN, CHESHIRE, SK11 0LS
Deadline:	12-Aug-2020 (Extended to 21st August)

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 un-neighbourly.”**

Application No:	20/3002M
Proposal:	Retail warehousing and ancillary development. Variation of condition 4 (sale of food) of appeal reference T/APP/C0630/A/93/231489/P7 relating to planning application 5/75236 – retail warehousing and ancillary development.
Location:	Unit 2, BRINDLEY WAY, LYME GREEN, MACCLESFIELD, CHESHIRE, SK11 0TB
Deadline:	12-Aug-2020 (extended to 21st August)

THE COUNCIL RESOLVED to **agree** the following comments to send to Cheshire East Council: **“Sutton Parish Council have no objection to this application.”**

Application No:	20/3147M
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Proposal:	Variation of condition 4 on existing permission 73742P (Agricultural occupancy) for a Farm workers dwelling
Location:	RIDGE HALL FARM, RIDGE HILL, SUTTON, CHESHIRE, SK11 0LU
Deadline:	17-Aug-2020 (extended to 26th August 2020)

THE COUNCIL RESOLVED to agree the following comments to send to Cheshire East Council: **“Sutton Parish Council have no objection to the application.”**

Application No:	20/2648M
Proposal:	Retrospective application for the conversion of barn to four bedroom dwelling.
Location:	BROAD OAK FARM, LEEK OLD ROAD, SUTTON, CHESHIRE
Deadline:	19th August 2020 (extended to 21st August)

THE COUNCIL RESOLVED to agree the following comments to send to Cheshire East Council: **“Sutton Parish Council would comment that they strongly object that the applicant would choose to ignore the planning process and they feel that this is fundamentally wrong.”**

Application No:	20/3125M
Proposal:	Proposed detached ancillary building
Location:	Oak Grove, LONDON ROAD, SUTTON, SK11 0JF
Deadline:	26th August 2020

THE COUNCIL RESOLVED to agree the following comments to send to Cheshire East Council: **“Sutton Parish Council would comment that they are concerned regarding access to and from the highway and that conditions should be attached stipulating that the garage must stay as a garage.”**

174/20 Noted; Decisions, appeals and withdrawals this month:

Proposal:	Demolition of the existing dwelling and outbuildings and the erection of a replacement three-bedroom part subterranean dwelling incorporating underground parking and associated landscaping
Location:	Ridge Cottage, Hollin Lane, Sutton, SK11 0NN
Decision:	Withdrawn

CORRESPONDENCE

175/20 THE COUNCIL RESOLVED to agree that Cllrs Horrox and Waller would attend the Cheshire East Area Highways Group Meeting (AHG) in Macclesfield (15th October 2020 6 p.m. - 8 p.m.).

176/20 THE COUNCIL RESOLVED to agree to appeal to the PCC whether they would be willing to reconsider their decision to close Sutton St. James Burial Ground and whether they would put a statement out to residents regarding their reasoning.

177/20 THE COUNCIL RESOLVED to agree that, although the Parish Council had no objection to the wording of the signage, Langley Cricket Club need to address the matter of appropriate signage with Cheshire East.

178/20 THE COUNCIL RESOLVED discussed application for premises licence for Langley Cricket Club and **agreed** comment that Members were concerned about local issues with the parking and congestion, lighting at night and that the licence should be limited to eight events a year as per requested.

179/20 THE COUNCIL RESOLVED to agree to request that Cheshire East cut the overgrown hedge at the bottom of Coalpit Lane.

180/20 MATTERS FOR INCLUSION ON NEXT AND FUTURE MEETING AGENDA

- To **discuss** Parish Council backup plan. *(September)*
- To **review** list of regular due payments. *(September)*
- To **review** Allotment Tenancy Rates March 2022. *(September)*.
- To **review** comments made by Internal and External Auditor and agree action. *(September)*.
- To **discuss** Christmas including orders for trees, installations and lighting. *(September)*
- To **consider** requesting a meeting with Cheshire East Highways. *(once physical meetings are held)*
- To **discuss** Remembrance Day.
- **Resolution 163/20** - Members to consider whether there is a role for the Parish Council in raising awareness with visitors who are using the countryside/forest for the first time. *(September)*
- **Resolution 140/20** - Quiet Lanes working group to submit report. *(September)*
- Sunflower Competition. *(September)*
- To **review** insurance quotes for April 2021. *(December)*

181/20 THE COUNCIL RESOLVED to agreed date for next Council meeting as **Thursday 10th September 2020** commencing at 7.30 p.m. (virtual or in St. James Church Hall, Sutton depending on legislation).

Apologies received from Cllr J Sinclair Smith for the September meeting.

The Meeting was declared closed by the Chairman at 21.49 p.m.