

SUTTON PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

VIRTUAL MEETING HELD ON THURSDAY 8TH APRIL 2021 at 7.30 p.m.

PRESENT

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

Also present: Cheshire East Ward Councillor Andrew Gregory, four Members of the Public (MOPs) (including three members of the PCC) and the Sutton Parish Clerk.

76/21 THE COUNCIL RESOLVED to approve apologies for absence received from PCSO Jim Newns. Cllrs Jones and Bhatia were not present.

77/21 DISPENSATIONS AND DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Cllrs G Barber and J Sinclair Smith declared that, as there might be some discussion under 79/21, that they were members of the Parochial Church Council (PCC).

78/21 THE COUNCIL RESOLVED to approve the Minutes of the Meeting dated 11th March 2021 which were confirmed as a true record.

79/21 PUBLIC PARTICIPATION - THE COUNCIL RESOLVED to receive Questions and concerns from Members of the Public (MOP):

Members of the PCC addressed the Council regarding proposals for the Churchyard. They answered a variety of queries around its future and reported that they plan on holding an open discussion with residents in July possibly in week beginning 19th July (depending on restrictions).

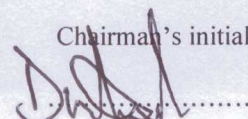
MEMBERS REPORTS

80/21 THE COUNCIL RESOLVED to receive report from the Cheshire East Ward Member:

- He continues to review the different challenges in Macclesfield Forest and reported that repeater signs are now being installed.
- He continues to exchange emails with our PCSO regarding sheep worrying and our PCSO is looking into the feasibility of using a drone.
- Planning application for Langley Pond has been withdrawn. Requesting details of Site Manager for ongoing contact.
- Lyme Green park – there has been a lot of correspondence regarding concerns around the position of the equipment and drainage in the park. Ansa are looking into this and using lottery funding to pay for sorting out the drainage into the canal.
- He is now focusing on the development on the Lyme Green settlement.

81/21 THE COUNCIL RESOLVED to receive report from the Macclesfield Neighbourhood Policing Team (PCSO J Newns):

9/3/21 -	Catalytic Convertor stolen from car on Main Rd Langley. Reassurance and advice given. FB and Tweet.
13/3/21 -	Mountain Biker taking shovel into the forest. Doubled up with Martin Peak Park Ranger and engaged with the MTB over a weekend. UU are continuing to work closely with MTB groups.
14/3/21 -	Suspicious vehicles and people in Sutton. Targeted patrols and reassurance given via FB account.
16/3/21 -	Trials Bikes using land on Hollin Lane. Landowner has given permission. Covid guidelines are adhered.
19/3/21 -	Fraud- Elderly lady Royal Mail Fraud - Advice given and FB message given reminding folk to remain vigilant.
22/3/21 -	Wheelie bins tipped over in numerous locations.
24/3/21 -	Reports of male running naked – No sexual offence.
26/3/21 -	Theft of money from honesty box.



27/3/21 -	Sheep worrying Top Barn. Trials bikes chasing sheep. Operation using Police motorcyclists this weekend.
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82/21 THE COUNCIL RESOLVED to receive report on Macclesfield Forest & Wildboardclough Working Group Meeting.

Reported land agent has been invited to next Parish Council meeting.

83/21 THE COUNCIL RESOLVED to receive report on Sunflower Competition progress.

The competition has been set a little later this year.

- 1st stage letters have been delivered to the school and applications will be picked up after the 21st April.
- 24th May – seeds to be delivered to school (before half term)
- September – measure sunflowers

84/21 THE COUNCIL RESOLVED to receive report on Website progress.

Website is progressing however, there will be more to report at the next meeting.

HIGHWAYS MATTERS

85/21 THE COUNCIL RESOLVED to agree to report that following highways issues:

- Road at bottom of Jarman onto Hall Lane – in terrible condition (Ward Councillor reported he is speaking to Highways regarding this matter).

MATTERS FOR CONSIDERATION BY THE COUNCIL

86/21 THE COUNCIL RESOLVED to agree no amendments to the High Consequence Infectious Disease Policy and noted that the policy should be mentioned in the Councils Risk Assessment.

87/21 THE COUNCIL RESOLVED to consider guidance from Luke Hall MP regarding local authority meetings and **agreed** the following:

- a. to **agree** to bring forward the Annual Parish Meeting and Annual Council Meeting to before 7th May.
- b. to **agree** 6th May for Annual Parish Meeting and the Annual Council Meeting at 7.30 p.m.
- c. to **agree** to reinstate delegated powers until future meetings can take place face to face.

88/21 THE COUNCIL RESOLVED to discuss Cheshire East Council Community Governance Review Draft Recommendations – Draft – V1.22 (18/2/21) and **agreed to note** the vote was to go out to consultation, an amendment which was passed insisted that any Parish affected in a major way should have a public referendum organised by Cheshire East Council and the final result should be binding.

89/21 THE COUNCIL RESOLVED to agree to appoint Dutton Traffic Management Team for Remembrance Day 2021 (£1375).

PLAYING FIELDS - ROBIN LANE

90/21 THE COUNCIL RESOLVED to receive report from Park 4all @Lyme Green.

- The Park 4all group were organising an Easter trail on Good Friday in Lyme Green, as they did at Halloween and Christmas, approximately sixty children and their parents will be walking around the area finding clues.
- The Community Library is now stocked with donated books for people to borrow and/or exchange. There will be a selection of mainly fiction books but also some non-fiction. There is also a selection of good quality children's books available. Three volunteers will be checking the books on a daily basis.
- The accessible play area has been installed but, there have been some problems with the siting of the Play area. The Park 4all group were not advised the location was being altered which varies from original plan. Ansa is dealing with any complaints about its location and Cllr Gregory has met with some of the residents. The play area is currently fenced off awaiting a safety inspection.
- A gardening group has been formed to plant up the raised beds built by Food 4 Macc volunteers for fruit and vegetables.

- 91/21 **THE COUNCIL RESOLVED** to discuss concerns raised by residents regarding works in the park and agree response as received via Cllr Gregory's conversations with Ansa which answers all concerns. To also note that the playground is not owned by the Parish Council.

FINANCE

- 92/21 **THE COUNCIL RESOLVED** to approve statutory payments 2021/22.

- 93/21 **THE COUNCIL RESOLVED** to approve schedule of receipts and payments for April 2021.

Receipts From:

Campbell & Helm	Plot 3 - Rent and insurance for allotment plot	£57.00
Worsley	Plot 5B - Rent and insurance for allotment plot	£34.75
D Heapy	Plot 7B - Rent and insurance for allotment plot	£28.65
Dean	Plot 9 - Rent and insurance for allotment plot	£57.00
Wardle	Plot 15A - Rent and insurance for allotment plot	£36.60
Morrison	Plot 13 - Rent and insurance for allotment plot	£54.00
Morrison	Plot 14A - Rent and insurance for allotment plot	£29.25
Hampton	Plot 15B - Rent and insurance for allotment plot	£24.60
Wheatstone	Plot 1B - Rent and insurance for allotment plot	£42.00
Shephard	Plot 2B - Rent and insurance for allotment plot	£24.00

Payments To:

Chq 709	Spoton.net.Limited	RETROSPECTIVE. Payment made for website design	£624.00
Spending power: GPOC			
Chq 710	Sarah Giller	Clerks Salary made up of Salary £791 and expenses £55.67 MARCH	£846.67
Spending power: GPOC			
DD	EON	Lighting MARCH 2021	£152.71
Spending power: GPOC			
Chq 711	EON	Electricity account statement for Christmas lighting 2020/21	£154.55
Spending power: GPOC			
Chq 712	F Davies & Son Ltd	Order 246 - Column 53 Cop Meadow	£214.27
Spending power: GPOC			
Chq 713	F Davies & Son Ltd	Order 247 - Column 35 Corner at Church House Inn Column 34 - junction of Trinity and Jarman.	£196.27
Spending power: GPOC			

- 94/21 **THE COUNCIL RESOLVED** to agree to note the comments of the internal auditor, to review the arrangement every two years and should the contractor exceed £3000 over any given financial year the Council will market test the requirements of the Financial Regulations.

- 95/21 **THE COUNCIL RESOLVED** to approve Earmarked Reserves 2020/21.

- 96/21 **THE COUNCIL RESOLVED** to note Audit 2020/21 notifications received from:

- JDH Business Service Ltd - Notification of Internal Audit.
- PKF Littlejohn - Notification of External Audit.

PLANNING

- 97/21 **THE COUNCIL RESOLVED** to agree comments for return to the relevant authority for these new applications:

Application No:	21/1238M
Proposal:	Variation of condition 2 (approved plans) to application 13/0463M - Full Planning Application for Conversion of a barn (with an extant planning permission for 4 holiday lets) to a single residential dwelling
Location:	Bollinhead Farm, Gritstone House, BOLLINHEAD LANE, SUTTON, SK11 0NA
Deadline:	7th April 2021 (no planning officer appointed as at 29/3/21)

THE COUNCIL RESOLVED to agree the following comments to send to Cheshire East Council: *"Sutton Parish Council have no objection unless deemed unneighbourly however, we would ask that the materials used should be in keeping with the surrounding area."*

Application No:	21/1249M
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Proposal:	Full planning permission for the erection of 45 dwellings including access and associated works
Location:	LAND SOUTH OF GAW END LANE / WEST OF LONDON ROAD, LYME GREEN
Deadline:	21st April 2021

THE COUNCIL RESOLVED to agree the following comments to send to Cheshire East Council: ***“Sutton Parish Council object to this application for the following reasons:***

1. The Bovis application 18/3245M was approved with 330 houses, and the Gaw End site was not included in it. The Local Plan allocates the Bovis site and the Gaw End site (LPS 17) for around 300 houses. The 45 houses when added to the 330 houses this means that, if approved 375 houses could be built on the allocated site, which is not around 300 houses. The potential over-build of house numbers, agreed for the local plan, if allowed this could affect the whole Parish. Increased traffic numbers for leisure activities in Macclesfield Forest, difficulties in providing schooling for children and increased traffic in Sutton.
2. The Council has well over 5 years supply of housing so there is no reason to give permission for 45 houses on this site. This represents an overdevelopment of the site.
3. The current layout is totally inappropriate at the entry to "Macclesfield", and bordering the Green Belt. The number of houses should be reduced, and a landscape buffer (5m wide) included along the southern boundary of the site. It is important that the Council's Design Officer makes sure that a re-design of the layout takes place to ensure that it complies with the Council's Design Guide.
4. The site floods and the Flood Risk Assessment appears not to recognise this.
5. There should NOT be another junction onto London Road, as there are already 7 junctions on a stretch of road which is dangerous in terms of speeding traffic. Speeding traffic approach the built up area in excess of 50 mph or they accelerate through Lyme Green as they are about to leave the built up area. The allocated site was to be developed comprehensively, off a single access point. The Morris Homes site should be incorporated into the Bovis scheme with access provided through the main access onto London Road. Traffic lights should be introduced on the main access.
6. There does not seem to have been an extensive publicity campaign within the area or engagement with the local community. The consultation took place over the Christmas period. There are 308 houses in Lyme Green and we understand that only 120 leaflets were distributed in the area.

Application No:	21/1353M
Proposal:	Ground floor rear extension & two storey side extension
Location:	1, WOODSIDE, LANGLEY ROAD, LANGLEY, CHESHIRE, SK11 0DG
Deadline:	07-Apr-2021 (requested extension to 9 th April (no case officer appointed))

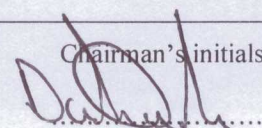
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98/21 THE COUNCIL RESOLVED to note; decisions, appeals and withdrawals this month:

Application No:	20/2547M
Proposal:	Proposed agricultural building and the retention of a track, access and banking
Location:	LAND FORMALLY PART OF BROAD OAK FARM, EAST OF LEEK OLD ROAD, SUTTON, CHESHIRE
Decision:	approved with conditions

Application No:	21/0191M
Proposal:	Proposed single storey extension to square off front corner of dwelling. Proposed internal alterations to form open plan kitchen, dining and snug with separate hallway with new front door and side windows and roof light. Proposed new sun pipe in bedroom 2 Proposed replacement sliding doors with larger bifolding doors in lounge
Location:	7, TRINITY LANE, SUTTON, SK11 0EQ
Decision:	approved with condition

Application No:	20/5754M
Proposal:	Non-material amendment to application 20/1879M - Proposed single storey rear and side elevation extension (amendment to 20/0012M)
Location:	2, SELWYN DRIVE, SUTTON, SK11 0EF
Decision:	approved with condition



CORRESPONDENCE

99/21 **THE COUNCIL RESOLVED** to agree to contact The Planning Officer and The Canal and River Trust regarding the filling in of a gully on land at the side of reservoir (concerns expressed by resident that it is washing down into feeder and into reservoir) and to ask Highways for slow signs to be repainted and repositioned where drivers can see them (Leek Old Road).

100/21 MATTERS FOR INCLUSION ON NEXT AND FUTURE MEETING AGENDA

- To **consider** requesting a meeting with Cheshire East Highways (*once physical meetings are held*)
- Community Public Houses.
- To **agree** that the Sutton Parish Council continues to meet the criteria for General Power of Competence (GPC).
- To **review** and confirm Bank Signatories.
- To **approve** Income and Expenditure Report for 4th Quarter, bank reconciliation and 12mth comparison.
- To **approve** end of year accounts for year ending 31st March 2021.
- Annual Audit - to approve Section 1 - Annual Governance Statement 2020/21.
- Annual Audit - to approve Section 2 – Accounting Statements 2020/21
- Annual Audit - to approve summary of income and expenditure 2020/21
- Annual Parish Meeting and Annual Council Meeting.

101/21 **DATE OF NEXT MEETING - Thursday 6th May 2021** commencing at 7.30 p.m. (To be held virtually or in St. James Church Hall, Sutton depending on legislation).

The Meeting was declared closed by the Chairman at 21.29 p.m.