

SUTTON PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

MEETING HELD VIRTUALLY ON THURSDAY 6TH MAY 2021

at 7.30 p.m.

PRESENT

Councillors: G Barber, M Bhatia, R Chamberlain, J Flitcroft, D Fosbrook, B Griffiths, M Horrox, J Sinclair Smith, A Waller and T Whiskard.

Also present: Cheshire East Ward Councillor Andrew Gregory, PCSO Jim Newns, Land Agent (United Utilities), One Member of the Public (MOP) and the Sutton Parish Clerk.

ANNUAL COUNCIL MEETING

102/21 THE COUNCIL RESOLVED to agree the Election of Cllr David Fosbrook as Chairman for 2021/2022 and to **receive** the Chairman's acceptance of office. Cllr Fosbrook was nominated by Cllr B Griffiths, seconded by Cllr A Waller and agreed by the meeting. There were no other nominations.

103/21 THE COUNCIL RESOLVED to agree the Election of Cllr G Barber as Vice Chairman 2021/22 and **receive** the Vice Chairman's acceptance of office. Cllr Barber was nominated by Cllr J Sinclair Smith, seconded by Cllr B Griffiths and agreed by the meeting. There were no other nominations.

104/21 THE COUNCIL RESOLVED to agree appointment of Parish Council groups and representatives for local forums 2021/22.

Planning R Chamberlain M Horrox D Fosbrook A Waller T Whiskard	Allotment B Griffiths D Fosbrook M Horrox T Whiskard	Climate Emergency J Sinclair Smith B Griffiths E Jones D Fosbrook M Bhatia
Staffing and Standards G Barber E Jones J Sinclair Smith A Waller	Website All Members	
	Housing R Chamberlain	

105/21 THE COUNCIL RESOLVED to receive Apologies for Absence.
None received. Cllrs M Eardley and E Jones were not present.

106/21 THE COUNCIL RESOLVED to receive Dispensations and Declarations of Interest.
None received.

107/21 THE COUNCIL RESOLVED to confirm and sign the Minutes as a true record of the Meetings dated 8th April 2021.

108/21 PUBLIC PARTICIPATION - THE COUNCIL RESOLVED to receive questions from members of the public.

- United Utilities (UU), Estates & Land Manager, addressed the meeting and gave an overview of the various issues in and around Macclesfield Forest that have been affecting the public and residents.
- They are keen to continue liaising with the different stakeholders through social media, parish news and the Parish Council.

MEMBERS REPORTS

109/21 THE COUNCIL RESOLVED to receive report from the Cheshire East Ward Member:

- The Ward Councillor thanked Cllr Waller for his kind words and support over the past few years.
- Macclesfield Forest has quietened down during the last six weeks due to stakeholders working closely together.
- Development Lyme Green Settlement – still no date for application to go to committee.
- Robin Lane Playground – Reported poor behaviour by some young people in the park. PCSO Newns is making regular visits to the park.

- Ansa have arranged a site meeting to review options for moving the playground equipment. Positive messages have been received regarding the playground.
- Report on Ward Councillor Budgets & Town and Parish Contributions - the presentation on this will be on Friday.
- Parvey Lane – resident enquiring regarding quiet lane status for Parvey Lane. The Ward Councillor asked how much support is there locally for designated quiet lane status in this area. Item to be discussed on agenda for another time or through round robin comments by Members.

110/21 THE COUNCIL RESOLVED to receive report from the Macclesfield Neighbourhood Policing Team (PCSO J Newns):

- 6/4 - damage to pig shed at Gurnett Farm – no CCTV but there has been a spate of vandalism.
- 7/4 - Robin Lane four youths kicking daffodil heads off.
- Issues in the park Robin Lane around language and behaviour of young people. Patrols are ongoing.
- 16/4 break-in in Langley – cutting hedges has exposed the rear of properties where foliage has been cut away. Nothing taken but will keep observation on area.
- 25/4 – damage to shed in playground. Sign put up to say nothing of value in shed.
- 26/4 Coalpit Lane - response officer found person taking drugs in vehicle.
- General patrolling regarding school parking and linking in with Hollinhey school. Hopes to be able to go into school very soon.
- Trucam – still using on Byrons Lane. Not heard yet whether he can use on Hall Lane.
- Working closely with stakeholders regarding Macclesfield forest including working together with Peak Park Ranger on engagement with bikers.
- Working with United Utilities who are doing excellent job helping with parking.
- There has been a marked reduction in the numbers going into the forest.

111/21 THE COUNCIL RESOLVED to receive report on Macclesfield Forest & Wildboardclough Working Group Meeting: **None received.**

112/21 THE COUNCIL RESOLVED to receive report on Sunflower Competition progress.

- Seventy-eight entries received from school children.
- 24th May – seeds and instructions are to be delivered to school (before half term).
- September – measure sunflowers

113/21 THE COUNCIL RESOLVED to receive report on Website progress.

- Website is progressing however, there will be more to report at the next meeting.
- Clerk has received training on website which, hopefully will go live in the next couples of days.

HIGHWAYS MATTERS

114/21 THE COUNCIL RESOLVED to agree to report that following highways issues:

- Whistons Lane (going towards Bollinhead Lane) - road is still in bad condition (down to foundations in places). To raise again with Cheshire East Highways.
- Byrons Lane, Sutton - danger of head on crash as cars having to weave around pot-holes.
- Withenshaw Lane, Sutton - large hole half-way down.

MATTERS FOR CONSIDERATION BY THE COUNCIL

115/21 THE COUNCIL RESOLVED to note that memorial bench on Ridge Hill has been replaced by relatives at their cost. Plaque to be reinstated.

PLAYING FIELDS - ROBIN LANE

116/21 THE COUNCIL RESOLVED to receive report from Park 4all @Lyme Green.

The accessible children's play area was installed at the end of March. The location of the play area was changed at a late stage (without discussion with Park 4all) by ANSA bringing it closer to some residents' gardens.

ANSA have been in discussions with the affected residents and considering the possible options for relocating some of the play equipment. ANSA will then hold consultations with the residents to finalise the location and will also advise the Parish Council of the suggestions.

Once the relocation is finalised the lead in time of 4-6 weeks will allow for the installation of the game top picnic tables, the Multi Use Games Area game markings and the footpath markings for children's games e.g. hopscotch. The Welcome entrance will also be installed.

The planned initial fundraising is almost complete. The outstanding items are the sides of the MUGA. Currently Trustees are obtaining costings for sides which will “deaden” the noise of balls hitting them.

The Trustees are hoping to organise an opening ceremony for the park in July/August (Covid 19 restrictions allowing).

Reminder that they still need a logo for Sutton Parish Council for the acknowledgment notice board or if Councillors preferred the wording Sutton Parish Council.

FINANCE

117/21 THE COUNCIL RESOLVED to approve schedule of receipts and payments for May 2021.

Receipts From:

B Griffiths	Plot 4B - rent and insurance for allotment plot	£32.70
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Payments To:

Chq 714	Sarah Giller	Clerks Salary made up of Salary £565 and expenses £57.82 APRIL	£622.82
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Spending power: GPOC

Chq 715	Community Heartbeat Trust	Annual support cost year 3 Trentabank Ranger Station	£120.00
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Spending power: GPOC

Chq 716	JDH Business Services Ltd	Internal audit for year ended 31/3/21	£214.20
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Spending power: GPOC

Chq 717	Cheshire Association of Local Councils	Affiliation Fee 2021/22	£834.20
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Spending power: GPOC

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Spending power: GPOC

118/21 THE COUNCIL RESOLVED to approve end of year accounts for year ending 31st March 2021 with amendment to earmarked reserves as instructed by Internal Auditor.

119/21 THE COUNCIL RESOLVED to approve 4th quarter finance report up to 31st March 2021.

120/21 THE COUNCIL RESOLVED to note the Annual Internal Audit report.

121/21 THE COUNCIL RESOLVED to approve Section 1 - Annual Governance Statement 2020/21.

122/21 THE COUNCIL RESOLVED to approve Section 2 – Accounting Statements 2020/21

123/21 THE COUNCIL RESOLVED to review and confirm Bank Signatories.

PLANNING

124/21 THE COUNCIL RESOLVED to agree comments for return to the relevant authority for these new applications:

Application No:	21/1631M
Proposal:	Alterations to existing garage/store and enclosure of existing lean-to
Location:	Ridge Hill Farm, RIDGE HILL, SUTTON, SK11 0LU
Deadline:	19 th May 2021

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:	21/1913M
Proposal:	Change of use of redundant stables to dwelling house (Class C3)
Location:	Moss Lea Farm, Cock Hall Lane, SUTTON, Langley, Cheshire East, SK11 0NA
Deadline:	12-May-2021

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

- The application is within a green belt area of special interest.

- Members do not agree that this is an agriculture building. Until recently the building has been used for stabling in association with the paddock immediately adjacent to the property which, is still with the property as shown on the location plan.

Application No:	21/1962M
Proposal:	Single storey rear extension
Location:	6, Brighton Crescent, Langley, SK11 0DL
Deadline:	05-May-2021 (Extended to 7th May)

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:	21/1853M
Proposal:	New porch, new store roof and extension, new attic roof space
Location:	St James House, CHURCH LANE, SUTTON, SK11 0DS
Deadline:	27-Apr-2021 (Officer not appointed requested extension to 7th May)

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:	21/1756M
Proposal:	First floor rear bathroom extension
Location:	5, CLARKE LANE, LANGLEY, CHESHIRE, SK11 0NE
Deadline:	12-May-2021

THE COUNCIL RESOLVED to agree the following comments to send to Cheshire East Council: ***“Sutton Parish Council are unable to comment on this application due to the quality of the drawings submitted which, make it difficult for the Council to assess in relation to the adjacent properties.”***

125/21 Noted; Decisions, appeals and withdrawals this month:

Application No:	20/5094M
Proposal:	Engineering operation comprising infilling of former mill pond and creation of an area of public open space
Location:	Langley Business Park, LANGLEY ROAD, LANGLEY
Decision:	Withdrawn / 01-Apr-2021

Application No:	21/0279M
Proposal:	Construction of a flow forge plant cage/compound, installation of air conditioning/refrigeration plant and forming of 2 no. openings in external wall/cladding associated with same together with the construction of a flow forge bin store
Location:	UNIT 2, Lyme Green Business Park, BRINDLEY WAY, LYME GREEN
Decision:	Approved with conditions / 01-Apr-2021

126/21 MATTERS FOR INCLUSION ON NEXT AND FUTURE MEETING AGENDA

- To request a meeting with Cheshire East Highways (*once physical meetings are held*)
- Community Public Houses. (*Ward Councillor*)
- Matters Arising – To agree items to include on Website.

127/21 DATE OF NEXT MEETING - due to COVID legislation council business will take place under delegated powers until face-to-face meetings can legally take place.

The Meeting was declared closed by the Chairman at 21.58 p.m.