

# SUTTON PARISH COUNCIL

## MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

**MEETING HELD ON THURSDAY 18<sup>th</sup> NOVEMBER 2021 at 7.30 p.m.**  
IN LANGLEY METHODIST CHURCH HALL, MAIN ROAD, LANGLEY

### PRESENT

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

**Also present:** The Parish Clerk (There were no Members of the Public were present (MOPs)).

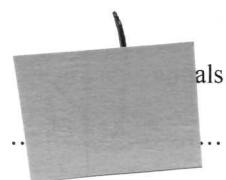
- 210/21 THE COUNCIL RESOLVED to receive and accept** apologies for absence from Cllrs Griffiths, M Horrox, Cheshire East Ward Councillor Andrew Gregory and PCSO Jim Newns.
- 211/21 THE COUNCIL RESOLVED to receive** Dispensations and Declarations of Interest from Cllrs Sinclair Smith and Barber with respect to Resolution **217/21** (as members of the Parochial Church Council (PCC)).
- 212/21 THE COUNCIL RESOLVED to confirm** and sign the Minutes as a true record of the Meetings dated 14<sup>th</sup> October 2021.
- 213/21 Public Participation** – There were no MOPs present.

### MEMBERS REPORTS

- 214/21 THE COUNCIL RESOLVED to receive** report from the Cheshire East Ward Member (**Appendix 1**).
- 215/21 THE COUNCIL RESOLVED to receive** report from Macclesfield Neighbourhood Policing Team (**Appendix 2**) and **agreed** to send letter of thanks and appreciation.
- 216/21 THE COUNCIL RESOLVED to receive** report from Macclesfield Forest & Wildboardclough Working Group, to **note** minutes of meeting and **agree** action.
- Traffic surveys have been completed however, they are still analysing the data and have not released the figures.
  - It was noted that Christmas trees will no longer be for sale to MOPs however, Members **agreed** to enquire whether any signage will be up informing the public of this.
  - Councillor reported that she had said that communication with the Parish Council and the Community was not good and offered a page on the Parish website to keep the public updated.
  - Parking signage still ongoing.
  - There has been a considerable reduction in traffic into the forest.
- 217/21 THE COUNCIL RESOLVED to review** report from church yard working group.  
The first meeting for the group was held on 9<sup>th</sup> November and included the PCC, Parish Council representatives and Community Groups. It is early days however the PCC have agreed to proceed with a public consultation.

### HIGHWAYS MATTERS

- 218/21 THE COUNCIL RESOLVED to receive** reports on highways issues and consider projects to put forward for pilot:
- Weeds and saplings growing on paving at bottom of Clarke Lane and up towards Redhouses along Bottoms Reservoir. Three sapling roots starting to push up pavement and need cutting down.
  - White lines at the bottom of Jarman have worn away.
  - Grit – concerned that all grit bins have not been filled and potential for snow.
  - Large hole on pavement Church Lane (coming from Halls Lane) before bridge on left hand side.
  - Gully blocked on Red Lane - massive holes were filled with tarmac by contractors however, they tarmacked over gully. Just past where Gritstone Trail crosses Red Lane.
  - Hedge trimming on Ridge Hill still not actioned.
  - Light by Brighton Cottages defective (flashing)
  - Footpath – Stile going from Langley Road to Ridge Hill dog walkers struggling to get their dogs over the stile.
  - Light not working on Gonville Avenue.



The following to be forwarded to Cllr Gregory and to enquire whether Councillor Projects are in addition to what Highways are currently contracted to deliver or just a mechanism for funding the current arrangements differently.

- a sign at the bottom of Bollinhead Lane at the junction of Whistons Lane for “unsuitable for heavy vehicles”
- Speed limit 30 mph signs on Langley Road – there is no signage there.

#### MATTERS FOR CONSIDERATION BY THE COUNCIL

- 219/21 THE COUNCIL RESOLVED** to **agree** response to the Cheshire East Council Local Governance Review (LGR) (Deadline 28 November 2021) to be **agreed** by email to Members.
- 220/21 THE COUNCIL RESOLVED** to **discuss** Christmas celebrations 2021 including risk assessments and installation of trees and lights and **agreed** Councillors to pick up trees 26<sup>th</sup> November with contractor to install 29<sup>th</sup> November.
- 221/21 THE COUNCIL RESOLVED** to **discuss/consider** issues raised around the preparations for Remembrance Day and **agreed** that everything went very smoothly and therefore to send a letter of thanks to the Traffic Management Company.
- 222/21 THE COUNCIL RESOLVED** to **discuss** cuts in the bus service due to driver shortage and **agreed** that Cllr Gregory had the full support of the Council with regards to pursuing Cheshire East to take responsibility for the operator and business case for subsidising of the bus service.
- 223/21 THE COUNCIL RESOLVED** to **agree** to note the Community Emergency Plan include an Emergency Information page on to the website.

#### PLAYING FIELDS - ROBIN LANE

- 224/21 THE COUNCIL RESOLVED** to **receive** report from Park 4all @Lyme Green (See Appendix 3).
- 225/21 THE COUNCIL RESOLVED** to **agree** to write to Ansa and request an update of the drainage concerns in the park and how they will resolve them.

#### FINANCE

**226/21 THE COUNCIL RESOLVED** to **approve** schedule of receipts and payments for November 2021.

Chq 742	Sarah Giller	Clerks Salary made up of Salary £632.80 and expenses £46.90 <b>OCTOBER</b>	£679.70
<b>Spending power: GPOC</b>			
Chq 743	F Davies & Son Ltd	Order 258: Column 9 Church Lane Column ? Bell Avenue Column 14 Hall Lane	£285.67
<b>Spending power: GPOC</b>			
Chq 744	Langley Methodist Church	Room hire 14/10/21	£39.00
<b>Spending power: GPOC</b>			
Chq 745	H Oldfield & Son Ltd	Community Governance leaflets printed (800)	£44.00
<b>Spending power: GPOC</b>			
Chq 746	CVS Cheshire East	Subscription to March 2022	£21.30
<b>Spending power: GPOC</b>			
Chq 747	Mr P Yates	Planning and development consultant. Preparation and submission of position statements and representation at Examination hearings in relation to representations made by SPC to the consultation SADPD	£750.00
<b>Spending power: GPOC</b>			
DD	It'seeze	1 months subscription and Domain (14 <sup>th</sup> October 2021)	£54.00
<b>Spending power: GPOC</b>			
Chq 748	Dutton Traffic Management Services Ltd	Traffic Management of Remembrance Day 2021 (signage, planning and marshals)	£1650.00
<b>Spending power: GPOC</b>			



- 227/21 **THE COUNCIL RESOLVED** to **approve** 2nd Quarter Income and Expenditure Report for period July – September 2021 and note bank statements and verify figures against bank reconciliation.
- 228/21 **THE COUNCIL RESOLVED** to **discuss** draft budget/precept for 2022/23 (deadline 14th January 2021).
- 229/21 **THE COUNCIL RESOLVED** to **agree** Earmarked Reserves 2021/22 and 2022/23.

#### PLANNING

230/21 **THE COUNCIL RESOLVED** to **agree** comments for return to the relevant authority for these new applications:

<b>Application No:</b>	21/5131M
<b>Proposal:</b>	Subdivision and extension of 2no existing dwellings to form 4no dwellings
<b>Location:</b>	21 & 30, Lyme Green Park, LONDON ROAD, LYME GREEN, SK11 0LD
<b>Deadline:</b>	10-Nov-2021 (Extended to 19th November 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 one bedroomed units will not cater for the needs of a disabled person, who may require help from a sleep in carer or relative.*
- *There is not adequate space for wheelchair users i.e. turning space in the kitchen.*
- *The plans indicate that the bathroom will be a shower room, when a wet room would be required for a disabled person in a wheelchair.*
- *The parking space does not afford enough space for manoeuvring in and out of the space in safety.*

*In conclusion the proposals make it unsuitable for people using wheelchairs and therefore unfit for purpose. We therefore object to this application.”*

<b>Application No:</b>	21/5252M
<b>Proposal:</b>	SUTTON POST OFFICE, 1, TUNNICLIFFE ROAD, SUTTON, CHESHIRE, SK11 0EB
<b>Location:</b>	Application for retrospective planning approval to retain temporary vegetable stall.
<b>Deadline:</b>	10-Nov-2021 (Extended to 19th November 2021)

**THE COUNCIL RESOLVED** to **agree** the following comments to send to Cheshire East Council: ***“Sutton Parish Council would not object to this application as long as it is made clear that the terms are for a temporary vegetable stall only. We would ask for a further explanation to what is meant by temporary eg. period of time. The current position of the stall was intended for parking, and we would suggest that the stall needs to be relocated and the parking reinstated if the stall is to be of a more permanent nature. The current application states that there are thirteen customer parking spaces however, this is not the case and includes parking on the road and staff parking and effectively means there are only six spaces for customers.***

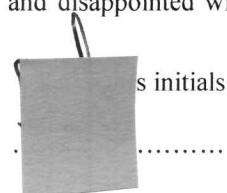
#### 231/21 Noted; Decisions, appeals and withdrawals this month:

<b>Application No:</b>	21/3440M
<b>Proposal:</b>	PROPOSED FRONT PORCH EXTENSION, EXTERNAL AMENDMENTS TO DOORS & WINDOW OPENINGS
<b>Location:</b>	BRACKENDALE, JARMAN, SUTTON, CHESHIRE, SK11 0HJ
<b>Decision:</b>	Approved with conditions / 29-Oct-2021

<b>Application No:</b>	21/1861M
<b>Proposal:</b>	Listed building consent to alter/replace 2x back doors, replace existing front door, and replace kitchen window.
<b>Location:</b>	Middle Cottage, Pyegreave Farm, COALPIT LANE, LANGLEY, SK11 0DQ
<b>Decision:</b>	Approved with conditions / 29-Oct-2021

<b>Application No:</b>	21/1913M
<b>Proposal:</b>	Change of use of redundant stables to dwellinghouse (Class C3)
<b>Location:</b>	Moss Lea Farm, Cock Hall Lane, SUTTON, Langley, Cheshire East, SK11 0NA
<b>Decision:</b>	Approved with conditions / 19-Oct-2021

**THE COUNCIL RESOLVED** to **note** the decision of application 21/1913M and to **agree**, to inform the Planning Department, that this sets a dangerous precedence and that Members were surprised and disappointed with this decision.



## **CORRESPONDENCE**

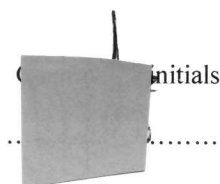
- 232/21** Cheshire East Council – Parish Precept and Taxbase Arrangements for 2022/23 (Deadline 14<sup>th</sup> January 2022).
- 233/21** NALC – Update Policy Consultation Briefing PC7-21 Environmental Permitting (England and Wales) Regulations 2016.
- 234/21** Cheshire East Council - Lavender Fields 11/2340M 13296781 – Section 106 monies.
- 235/21** Ansa - Parks Strategy Survey (*Deadline 28<sup>th</sup> November*).

## **236/21 MATTERS FOR INCLUSION ON NEXT AND FUTURE MEETING AGENDA**

- To **consider** requesting a meeting with Cheshire East Highways.
- To **consider/agree** to transfer to online banking either to Unity Trust Bank or to continue with NatWest.
- Climate Change – meeting needed.
- Consultant – to attend meeting to update members regarding hearings with respect to Cheshire East SADPD. (*December*)
- To **discuss/agree** budget/precept 2022/23.
- To **consider** rules for Sunflower Competition. (*January*)

- 237/21 THE COUNCIL RESOLVED to agree DATE OF NEXT MEETING - Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> December 2021 commencing at 7.30 p.m.**

**The Meeting was declared closed by the Chairman at 10.02 p.m.**



## Appendix 1 – Report from Ward Councillor Gregory

1. **CGR** – He has posted a couple of videos on Facebook and prepared a second at the request of a Member of the Public to ensure that as many people as possible were aware of the proposed changes and should register their comments. He is aware that leaflets have also been distributed, but not aware of how well people have now reacted to the changes. He is going to make a few changes to his submission and will work on a final addition over the next weekend.
2. **Lyme Green Park** - Unofficially he has been told that a final decision has been reached which will see the play equipment moved to where the library is presently located. He has asked that they brief the Park4all trustees and he hopes that the letter is sent to residents in the next week as it has become such a protected saga.
3. **Number 14 bus** - The High Peak, the operator of the bus have reduced its services, citing shortage of drivers. A petition has been set up and a number of residents have been in touch with him. He has written to the High Peak to ask them why they appear unwilling to engage with their customers (as they have to date refused to meet with residents to consider alternative proposals) and he is waiting for an answer. He has also been in touch with the council, who took the stance that it was a matter for the operator, but then he then wrote again and asked them what he needed to do to make a business case for a subsidy for the bus service. The council responded to say that my enquiry raised a number of complicated points, so he is waiting for the response and will report back when he have more news on this.
4. **Planning** - It is quiet on the planning front with no news on any of the pending applications in and around the Sutton Parish. The application in respect of the reserved matters on the Bovis development has now been lodged. It seemed to raise a number of detailed and complex points on the design which he did not feel qualified to comment on. He has decided to wait to see what views the planners would take towards the application which will come before the Committee in due course. He has called in the Fairways Garden Centre application and is waiting to hear on this. The intention with this one is tactical to see if the planners will let the members of the Northern Planning Committee hear the application.
5. **Planning** - Overall, there are a lot of people complaining about delays in applications being dealt with by CEC Planning Team. He was going to raise this at the November full council meeting but, that has been cancelled.
6. **MFWG meeting** – The Ward Councillor was not able to attend the MFWG meeting, but he has noted the minutes.

## Appendix 2 – Report from PCSO

17/10/21 - Drink Driver arrested for drink driving Lyme Green after he collided with a hedge.

27/10/21 - Dog attack on sheep. Danes Farm Whiston Lane. Lady was interviewed at the station regarding the matter. She will pay vet costs and dog on bite register.

28/10/21 - ASB Currys Lyme Green business park. Youths identified and ASB letters sent home.

PCSO attended a Macclesfield Forest working group meeting Wednesday 3rd November and discussed policing issues with United Utilities and Cheshire East, Peak Parks and Langley Cllr. Namely parking, conservation/wildlife and joint operations to tackle ASB in the forest (Camp fires, camping littering, dog offences, mountain bikers and drug use were discussed.

He had words with the site manager Seddons about lorries taking inappropriate routes to the building site in Langley. He advised drivers to stick to agreed routes in and out as there have been a number of complaints. Any issues to let him know.

He continues to use TRUCAM on Byrons lane to tackle speeding and Hollinhey Primary school parking patrol.

Police Surgeries continue to be fruitful and forthcoming dates are Tuesday 23rd November Langley Village Hall 8-9pm, Sunday 28th November Lyme Green Park 2-3pm and Thursday 2nd December Ex Service Men Club Sutton 5-6pm.

He will be distributing Selecta DNA property marking kits in Lyme Green throughout November and December due to recent thefts.

## Appendix 3 - report from Park 4all @Lyme Green

1. No decision regarding the relocation of the children's accessible play area has been received as yet from CEC/ANSA. The delay impacts on the installation of the final elements and completion of the park project. Until the play area relocation is completed ANSA are also reluctant to meet with Park 4all Trustees and Councillors to discuss the drainage situation.
2. The Christmas event is to be held on Friday 17th December. In addition to carols at the Christmas tree it is hoped there will be festive music and refreshments. A visit from Father Christmas has also been arranged. The timings are to be confirmed.