

SUTTON PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL COUNCIL MEETING

HELD ON THURSDAY 9TH JUNE 2022 COMMENCING at 7.30 P.M.

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

PRESENT

Councillors: J Sinclair Smith (Vice Chairman), M Bhatia, R Chamberlain, J Flitcroft, D Fosbrook, M Horrox, M Walker, A Waller and T Whiskard. Cllr Sinclair Smith acting Chairman of the meeting.

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

- 130/22 THE COUNCIL RESOLVED to receive and accept** apologies for absence from Cllrs G Barber, M Eardley, PCSO Jim Newns and Cheshire East Ward Councillor Andrew Gregory. Cllr B Griffiths was not present.
- 131/22 THE COUNCIL RESOLVED to receive** an interest declared from Councillor Sinclair Smith who declared an interest in Item 137/22 as a Member/Lay Chair of the PCC.
- 132/22 THE COUNCIL RESOLVED to agree** and sign the Minutes as a true record of the meeting dated 12th May 2022 and receive acceptance of office signed by Cllr J Sinclair Smith as Vice Chairman (2022/23).
- 133/22 Public Participation – THE COUNCIL RESOLVED to receive** the following queries/questions from MOPs: **There were no MOPs present.**

MEMBERS REPORTS

- 134/22 THE COUNCIL RESOLVED to receive** report from the Cheshire East Ward Member: **See Appendix 1.** Members queried what had happened about the yellow box promised for bottom of Byrons Lane, instead of roundabout/traffic lights, as a result of the Lyme green development.
- 135/22 THE COUNCIL RESOLVED to receive** report from PCSO Jim Newns: **See Appendix 2.** Members suggested that it might be useful to know the number of additional investigations that are in the area, the details of which are confidential.
- 136/22 THE COUNCIL RESOLVED to receive** report regarding United Utilities (Macclesfield Forest) meeting with residents (6/6/22). Cllrs Barber and Sinclair Smith attended drop-in session 3 - 6 p.m. The following issues were discussed:
- Mounting biking – the relationship with bikers etc.
 - Policing - How policing managed and the limitation of United Utilities powers in relation to intervening.
 - How use of forest is changing over time - e.g. a lot more evening activities and the need for a presence in the forest later than 4 p.m. They are looking at extending their presence in forest.
 - Parking – no consensus. Some residents wanted the yard open for visitors, some said this would encourage more visitors.
 - Traffic survey – it was promised that this would be shared with Parish Council.
 - Toilets – need for more than two toilets.
 - Reservoir - discussions around the use of Ridgegate and Bottoms”
 - Zoning – cycling/walking.
 - Deer – how the population is managed.
 - Parish Council – to add working group minutes to website.

The Clerk was asked to remind United Utilities that they can have access to a page on the Parish website to put information on about the forest.

- 137/22 THE COUNCIL RESOLVED to receive** report from joint graveyard working group. Councillors attended joint working party on 8th June. This was a positive meeting. The Group have agreed that they will present a report on the community survey to the PCC with their various proposals.
- 138/22 THE COUNCIL RESOLVED to receive** report on Queens Jubilee weekend. Good reports all round with Langley and Sutton residents adapting to the difficult weather on the Sunday. Lyme green event went very well and had the best of the weather.

HIGHWAYS MATTERS

- 139/22 THE COUNCIL RESOLVED to receive** reports on highways issues:
- Langley Road – on corner, just before houses start on the right, gully needs clearing out again due to large puddle on the bend.

- Leek Old Road - junction of Robin Lane, footpath overgrown with nettles on right hand side. Pedestrians have to walk in the road.
- Bollinhead Lane - large waggon stuck as road unsuitable for large vehicles. Condition of surface really bad. To investigate whether there is a sign both ends for unsuitable vehicles.
- Whithingshaw Lane – trees planted on verge. Needs following up with Highways.
- Seddons development – concern regarding the mud and dust on road. Cleaning appears to be intermittent to three times a week possibly to be timed with deliveries. Members asked to keep an eye on whether regularly cleaned. It was reported that there is some concern regarding the deterioration of the road surface at the entrance particularly how it might degrade further over the winter. To raise with Seddons what sort of contract they have for cleaning the road and the poor condition of the entrance expressing concern over what it is going to be like over winter period.

MATTERS FOR CONSIDERATION BY THE COUNCIL

- 140/22** Defibrillator Higher Sutton Telephone Box, Meg Lane - to **consider** Members response to investigation report into the accessing of the defibrillator. Reported card with location now beside all defibrillators. **THE COUNCIL RESOLVED** to investigate quotes for permanent signs and refresher training courses (noted that there was a defibrillator session was held at Church House recently).
- 141/22** Item raised by Member of the Public at the Annual Parish Meeting (12th May) – **THE COUNCIL RESOLVED** to **agree** that they could not support, at this stage, amendments to discourage parking or to make bays for emergency vehicle parking only (between Leather Smithy Pub and Forest Chapel) until the enforcement issues in the forest are resolved. However, Councillors would raise this issue at the next Macclesfield Forest meeting.
- 142/22** **THE COUNCIL RESOLVED** to **agree** that installing a low post chain on grassed area (Parvey Lane and Walker Lane) to prevent vehicles from damaging the corner could not be supported. Members raised issue of overgrown footpath near triangle and **agreed** to forward pictures to Clerk to raise with Highways.

THE GRAPEVINE

- 143/22** **THE COUNCIL RESOLVED** to **agree** the following items for inclusion in The Grapevine under “What’s New”:
- Defibrillator process from CHT.
 - In advance deadlines for each issue.

PLAYGROUNDS

- 144/22** **THE COUNCIL RESOLVED** to **receive** report from Park 4all @Lyme Green: **See Appendix 3**
- 145/22** **THE COUNCIL RESOLVED** to **accept** response from Ansa regarding the strimming of blue bells in Cop Meadow.

ALLOTMENTS

- 146/22** **THE COUNCIL RESOLVED** to **receive** report that all rubbish had now been removed and **agreed** to make enquiries regarding possible contractors to quote for double tap on standpipes, protective surrounds for taps and cost of an additional water tap closer to plots 1A/2A.

FINANCE

- 147/22** **THE COUNCIL RESOLVED** to **approve** schedule of receipts and payments for June 2022.

Receipts From: None received

Payments To:

Chq 787	Sarah Giller	Clerks Salary made up of Salary £632.50, £150 working from home annual allowance and expenses £57.49 MAY	£839.99
Spending power: GPOC			
Chq 788	H Oldfield & Sons Ltd	1500 A5 Jubilee flyers	£98.00
Spending power: GPOC			
Chq 789	The Society of Local Council Clerks	Subscriptions	£85.50
Spending power: GPOC			
DD	Npower	Electricity supply 1 st Dec to 31 st Dec 2021	£233.05
Spending power: GPOC			

- 148/22** **THE COUNCIL RESOLVED** to **note** Queens Jubilee Income and Expenditure report.

- 149/22** **THE COUNCIL RESOLVED** to **discuss** estimated increase in lighting costs and noted concern regarding increase in electricity costs and **agreed** to enquire whether support/advice could be obtained from NALC.

150/22 THE COUNCIL RESOLVED to agree not to make a donation towards Ukraine but to add links to different support groups on the website.

PLANNING

151/22 THE COUNCIL RESOLVED to agree comments for return to the relevant authority for these new applications.

Application No:	22/1767M
Proposal:	To raise roof height of existing detached garage and side extension to provide additional living accommodation for dependent relative and carer
Location:	Gardeners Cottage Rear of Hockley Manor, Leek Old Road, Sutton, SK11 0HZ
Deadline	8 th June 2022 (requested extension to 10 th June)

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 and that the materials are in keeping with the surroundings.”***

Application No:	22/2098M
Proposal:	Lawful existing Development Certificate for Storage for roofers business
Location:	The Wharf, Bullocks Lane, Sutton, Cheshire, SK11 0HE
Deadline	10-Jun-2022

THE COUNCIL RESOLVED to agree the following comments to send to Cheshire East Council: ***“Sutton Parish Council would support Cheshire East Councils’ findings in this application because the original certificate was never complied with.”***

Application No:	22/1804M
Proposal:	Rear facing single storey extension
Location:	Sunnyridge, Judy Lane, Sutton, SK11 0LT
Deadline	8 th June 2022 (Extended to 10 th June 2022)

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:	22/1602M
Proposal:	Full planning application for walkers bunk rooms, refreshment and sanitation facilities and, 3no tourist rooms.
Location:	Suttonfold Barn MEG LANE, SUTTON
Deadline	6 th July 2022

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

- The development is an inappropriate and an unnecessary over-intensification of the area.
- There are highways safety issues leading from the impact of traffic generation, vehicular access and adequacy of parking.
- This is an intrusion into the open countryside on Green Belt.
- The development is un-neighbourly.
- The area is an area of natural beauty, and the development will result in a loss of visual amenity.
- The layout and density of buildings make it unsuitable for the neighbourhood”

Application No:	22/2188M
Proposal:	Application for two storey side extension to the existing dwelling, the demolition of an existing store and the erection of a single storey store / car port
Location:	Asholm Farm, Wetton Way, Sutton, Near Macclesfield, SK11 0LX
Deadline	21st June 2022

THE COUNCIL RESOLVED to agree the following comments to send to Cheshire East Council: ***“In view that this is an extension of a recently converted building under Class Q we would like more details of the proposed development before we are able to comment further on this application.”***

152/22 Noted; Decisions, appeals and withdrawals this month:

Application No:	21/4848M
Proposal:	Advert Consent for Gradus Springbank New Warehouse Fabricated Aluminium Sign
Location:	Springbank, Lyme Green Business Park, Brunel Road, Lyme Green, SK11 0TA
Decision:	Approved with conditions / 12-May-2022

Application No:	21/5073M
Proposal:	Proposed advert consent for 2No Econoflex face signs - internally illuminated 2No Econoflex face signs - Non illuminated 1No Fabricated aluminium panel 1No Flat ACM panel
Location:	Lyme Green Business Park, London Road, Lyme Green, SK11 0LR
Decision:	Approved with conditions / 12-May-2022

CORRESPONDENCE

- 153/22 THE COUNCIL RESOLVED to note** response from consultant on process of the proposed Modifications to the Site Allocations and Development Policies Document.
- 154/22 THE COUNCIL RESOLVED to note** update on the Langley Cricket Club drainage issue which is being addressed by the club.
- 155/22 THE COUNCIL RESOLVED to note** correspondence regarding Lavender Fields S106 monies and **agreed** to enquire where the Barn Owl habitat is, confirm how much money will be expected, where it is going to and when the Parish will be consulted regarding its use in Langley playground.

STAFFING MATTERS

- 156/22 THE COUNCIL RESOLVED to note** that the Clerks appraisal had taken place in line with policy, to note actions and that holding of future appraisals will be at a time of year that is not so busy (after year end).
- 157/22 MATTERS FOR INCLUSION ON NEXT AND FUTURE MEETING AGENDA**
 - Climate Emergency Working Group report. *(July)*
 - Macclesfield Forest & Wildboardclough Working Group report. *(July)*
 - Condition of Stiles around village. *(July)*
 - New Code of Conduct. *(Future meeting)*
- 158/22 DATE OF NEXT MEETING - THE COUNCIL RESOLVED to agree** the date for next meeting as **Thursday 14th July 2022 commencing at 7.30 p.m.**

There being no other business the Chairman declared the meeting closed at 21.41 p.m.

Minutes agreed by Sutton Parish Council as a true record

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Chairman

Appendix 1 - Report from the Cheshire East Ward Member

1. Pleased to see that the relocation of the play equipment at Lyme Green has been completed. I have asked ANSA for an update on the drainage issues.
2. The Jubilee Party at Lyme Green seemed to go very well.
3. I have been in dialogue with the CEC planning department about the application at Higher Kinderfields Farm and also with the agent for the applicant. I had understood that the application was to come before the meeting on the 8th June but I note that the meeting has been cancelled, so I wait to hear further on the application.
4. I had raised concerns with the council about the cancelation of the Avanti early morning train service from Macclesfield to Manchester following concerns raised by local residents, but I am told it is out of the council's hands and there is nothing they can do other than to voice their concerns with Avanti.
5. I continue to receive a lot of correspondence from concerned local residents in respect of the development at Danes Moss. I am continuing to review developments on the production of further reports being commissioned by the council on the land.
6. I have exchanged emails with the planning officer at CEC responsible for the Hawkshead Quarry application, on behalf of a local businessman, who is very keen to take a lease of one of the units should the application be granted. I understand that the council are presently waiting for further information to be provided by the applicant.
7. I attended the Wincle Jubilee Party last Saturday and unveiled a plaque to mark the Queen's 70 years on the throne with a tree next to supplied by the Dane Valley Climate Action Group. It is next to the Brewery in Wincle should anyone wish to see the tree and the plaque.

Appendix 2 - report from Macclesfield Neighbourhood Policing Team (PCSO J News) (May-June)

- Continued Trucam speed enforcement on Byrons Lane.
- Continued to support with Hollinhey Primary School parking and school visits.
- Recently attended at the pre-school and enjoyed doing road safety with the children and letting them try on a police uniform.
- Continued police surgeries at Ex Servicemen club and Langley Village Hall

Next surgery dates are:

Tuesday 21st June Langley Village hall 8-9pm

Sunday 26th June Lyme Green Park 2-3pm

Thursday 7th July Ex Servicemen club Sutton 10-11am

Wednesday 13th July Langley Village Hall 8-9pm

Sunday 17th July Lyme Green Park 2-3pm

Incidents of note

- 09/5/22 - Shed Break and Theft from unlocked motor vehicle Bullocks Lane - offender currently on bail.
10/5/22 - Hawkshead Quarry Old Leek Rd - Breach of the Peace - in progress.
12/5/22 - Suspicious person Jarman, Sutton - CCTV of unknown person trying car doors.
19/5/22 - Road Rage incident outside Cat and Fiddle Pub.
19/5/22 - Arrest attempts Sutton Reservoir. Member of public recognised wanted male.
21/5/22 - Theft Brindley Way business park Lyme Green.
22/5/22 - Concern for safety Trentabank- children lost parents. All found safe and well.
31/5/22 - Dog bite incident Lyme Green Settlement- In progress.
31/5/22 - Anti Social behaviour Lyme Green Business park- In progress.
05/6/22 - Shop lifting Lyme Green Business Park - In progress.

Appendix 3 - report from Park 4all @Lyme Green

1. Ansa have completed moving the play area to the new location and replaced the high slide with a lower slide. The climbing frame has been replaced by an agility trail which again is lower than the previous climbing frame. The play area fencing is not quite complete yet as there was insufficient to finish enclosing the new play area. We are waiting for the remaining fencing to be supplied.
2. The remaining seats and games - top tables are now in place.
3. The MUGA and play trail markings are yet to be completed. In addition to some minor alterations need to be completed for example the raised beds near the pergola have gravel surrounding them which makes it difficult for a member of the gardening group who uses a wheelchair to get close enough to the raised bed. Ansa staff are aware of this and will be tarmacing the surrounding strip to make the raised bed accessible.
4. Lyme Green residents supported by the Trustees of Park 4all @ Lyme Green CIO celebrated the Queen's Platinum Jubilee by arranging a Party in the Park on Friday 3rd June. Fortunately, the weather was dry and sunny. The event was attended by over 500 people and there has been a lot of positive feedback from people who attended. Below is a quote from a local resident "It has been brilliant over here at the park..... Well done and congratulations to all who organised it. The weather was a huge bonus"

We are extremely grateful to everyone who helped by donating raffle prizes & cakes, all the volunteers who helped on the day to ensure everything went smoothly and to those that cleared up any remaining litter on Saturday morning.

