

SUTTON PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL COUNCIL MEETING

HELD ON THURSDAY 12th MAY 2022 COMMENCING at 8 p.m.

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

PRESENT

Councillors: G Barber (Vice Chairman), M Bhatia, R Chamberlain, M Eardley, J Flitcroft, B Griffiths, M Walker, A Waller and T Whiskard.

Also present: There were six Members of the Public (MOP) present and the Parish Clerk.

ANNUAL PARISH MEETING

101/22 THE COUNCIL RESOLVED to agree the election of Cllr G Barber as Chairman (2022/2023) and **received** the Chairman's acceptance of office. Cllr Flitcroft nominated Cllr Barber which was seconded by Cllr Griffiths and agreed by the meeting. There were no other nominations.

102/22 THE COUNCIL RESOLVED to agree election of Cllr J Sinclair Smith as Vice Chairman (2022/23). In her absence the Council agreed to **receive** the Vice Chairman's acceptance of office at the June meeting. Cllr Flitcroft nominated Cllr Sinclair Smith which was seconded by Cllr Griffiths and agreed by the meeting. There were no other nominations

103/22 THE COUNCIL RESOLVED to agree appointment of Parish Council groups, committees and representatives for local forums 2022/23. Cllr Walker **agreed** to join staffing and standards. There were no other changes.

104/22 THE COUNCIL RESOLVED to receive and accept apologies for absence from Cllrs D Fosbrook, M Horrox, J Sinclair Smith, PCSO Jim Newns and Cheshire East Ward Councillor Andrew Gregory.

105/22 THE COUNCIL RESOLVED to receive no disclosable pecuniary interest from Councillors. None declared.

106/22 THE COUNCIL RESOLVED to agree and sign the Minutes as a true record of the Meeting dated 14th April 2022.

107/22 Public Participation – THE COUNCIL RESOLVED to receive the following queries/questions from MOPs:

1. Resident expressed concerns regarding safety around inconsiderate parking near his residence (past the Leather Smithy). The road is classified as not suitable for vehicles however, there are spaces for six cars and he is finding that drivers will dump their cars if the spaces are full. This makes it difficult for access. The resident asked for the Council to consider the removal of the spaces or whether the spot should be designated for emergency vehicles only. Resident was asked to write to the Parish Clerk so the item could be investigated and discussed at the next meeting.
2. Resident spoke thanking the Council for dealing with her concerns in Macclesfield Forest. She had some issues to report:
 - United Utilities have updated their action plan and are working with biking groups. She is aware of a new cycle track will be built in the forest which she feels will increase not reduce biking.
 - United Utilities use of their forest yard – visitors continue to use the yard for parking, and this concerns residents that it encourages increased parking and traffic.
 - Still no results received from the traffic survey.
 - Police presence has decreased. Reported that there is a residents meeting with United Utilities on Monday 6th June 3-6 p.m. with Rangers for a forest drop-in session. The Chairman reported that someone from the Council would endeavour to attend.
4. Parking in the park – appears no co-operation with the Council etc. would like to think some pressure from Parish Council to get together and sort the problems out.

MEMBERS REPORTS

108/22 THE COUNCIL RESOLVED to receive report from the Cheshire East Ward Member: **See Appendix 1.**

109/22 THE COUNCIL RESOLVED to receive report from Macclesfield Neighbourhood Policing Team: **None Received.**

HIGHWAYS MATTERS

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110/22 THE COUNCIL RESOLVED to receive reports on highways issues:

- Drainage issues reported at the April meeting near the Cricket Club. No rain so effect of issue cannot be seen. Councillors to keep an eye on issue.
- Withenshaw Lane – reported resident has planted a considerable number of trees on verge. Highway to be consulted regarding safety issue.
- Bottoms Reservoir – road always floods and needs drain cleared. Suggested second is needed.
- Langley Road – water pooling on corner before houses gully needs getting again.

MATTERS FOR CONSIDERATION BY THE COUNCIL

111/22 THE COUNCIL RESOLVED to receive Cheshire East Site Allocations and Development Policies Document: Main Modifications and **agreed** response that the Parish Council supports the modification PM05 as directed by consultant. Clerk to ask consultant whether he things his input will be needed and further.

112/22 THE COUNCIL RESOLVED to **agree** that Cllrs Barber and Sinclair Smith to provide flower display for Jubilee Queens Jubilee and a £30 budget.

113/22 THE COUNCIL RESOLVED to **agree** to include in Grapevine “What’s New” with reference to the Parish Website. The Parish Council should highlight what they have achieved to parishioners.

PLAYING FIELDS - ROBIN LANE

114/22 THE COUNCIL RESOLVED to receive report from Park 4all @Lyme Green: **See Appendix 2.**

ALLOTMENTS

115/22 THE COUNCIL RESOLVED to receive allotment report and **consider** request from tenant to review the need for an additional water tap closer to plots 1A/2A. Members **agreed** to investigate the costs of installing an additional tap however, it was noted that the Council have **agreed** to install double taps and surrounds. It was noted that rubbish has been left from the skip.

FINANCE

116/22 THE COUNCIL RESOLVED to **approve** Section 1 - Annual Governance Statement 2021/22.

117/22 THE COUNCIL RESOLVED to **approve** Section 2 – Accounting Statements 2021/22.

118/22 THE COUNCIL RESOLVED to **approve** summary of income and expenditure 2021/22

119/22 THE COUNCIL RESOLVED to **note** the internal audit recommendations and **agreed** that the amendment has been actioned.

120/22 THE COUNCIL RESOLVED to **approve** schedule of receipts and payments for May 2022.

Receipts From:

Hampton	Allotments Plot 15B	£24.60
Heyes	Allotments Plot 5A and 6A	£42.57
Cheshire East Council	Precept	£13612.50
Stairmand	Allotments Plot 4B	£32.70
Patterson	Allotments Plot 6B	£20.60

Payments To:

Chq 781	Cheshire Demolition	Allotment skip hire (payment made as agreed under Resolution 88/22)	£ 228.00
Spending power: GPOC			
Chq 782	Sarah Giller	Clerks Salary made up of Salary £759 and expenses £53.08 APRIL	£812.08
Spending power: GPOC			
Chq 783	Anthony Boon	Maintenance of Pinfold.	£150.00
Spending power: GPOC			
Chq 784	JDH Business Services Ltd	Internal audit for year ended 31/3/22	£270.00
Spending power: GPOC			
Chq 785	CVS Cheshire East	Annual Membership	£50.00
Spending power: GPOC			



Chq 786	The Community Heartbeat Trust (Solutions) Ltd	Annual Membership (Macclesfield Forest)	£100.00
Spending power: GPOC			
DD	Spoton.net Limited – it'seeze.com	1 x Domain and.co.uk domain subscription. MAY	£54.00
Spending power: GPOC			

121/22 THE COUNCIL RESOLVED to consider NALC Briefing on Ukraine and **agreed** to postpone a decision other whether to make a donation under GPOC.

122/22 THE COUNCIL RESOLVED to review and agreed no changes to bank signatories.

123/22 THE COUNCIL RESOLVED to note bank statements and **verify** figures against bank reconciliation (up to 30th April 2022). Verified by Cllr Flitcroft.

PLANNING

124/22 THE COUNCIL RESOLVED to agree comments for return to the relevant authority for these new applications: **No applications received.**

125/22 Noted; Decisions, appeals and withdrawals this month:

Application No:	21/6060M - LISTED BUILDING CONSENT
Proposal:	Listed building consent to install an airsource heating system.
Location:	MIDDLE COTTAGE, PYEGREAVE FARM, COALPIT LANE, LANGLEY, SK11 0DQ
Decision:	Approved with conditions / 26-Apr-2022

Application No:	22/0712M
Proposal:	Prior approval for change of use of 2no. agricultural buildings to residential
Location:	Nab End Farm, WITHENSHAW LANE, SUTTON, SK11 0NH
Decision:	Determination - refusal (stage 2) / 14-Apr-2022

Application No:	21/4819M
Proposal:	Vary a Condition on planning consent 12/0111M for a previously approved side extension and bay window extension
Location:	Ridgehill, RIDGE HILL, SUTTON, CHESHIRE, SK11 0LU
Decision:	Approved with conditions / 13-Apr-2022

CORRESPONDENCE

126/22 Cheshire East Council Press Release – Community governance changes. Noted that there are no changes to Sutton Parish.

HOUSING

127/22 THE COUNCIL RESOLVED to consider/approve applicants for 7 Dawson Close under Part Two of the Agenda.

128/22 MATTERS FOR INCLUSION ON NEXT AND FUTURE MEETING AGENDA

- New Code of Conduct. *(Future meeting)*
- NALC Briefing on Ukraine. *(June meeting)*
- Macclesfield Forest & Wildboarclough Working Group report. *(June meeting)*
- Allotment - taps/surrounds etc. *(June meeting)*
- ANSA – to consider ANSA's reply regarding strimming of blue bells. *(June meeting)*
- S106 – contact Cheshire East regarding update regarding S106 monies. *(June meeting)*
- Grapevine – to consider items for inclusion in Raven. *(June meeting)*
- Graveyard working group report. *(June meeting)*

129/22 DATE OF NEXT MEETING - THE COUNCIL RESOLVED to agree the date for next meeting as **Thursday 9th June 2022 commencing at 7.30 p.m.**

There being no other business the Chairman declared the meeting closed at 21.08 p.m. to consider Part Two of the Agenda. Members of the Public left the meeting.



PART TWO

THE COUNCIL RESOLVED to pass a resolution under Section 1(2) of the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960 (Section 100(a) of the Local Government Act 1972) to exclude the public and press from the meeting for the following item of business on the grounds that it could involve the likely disclosure of exempt information.

HOUSING

127/22 THE COUNCIL RESOLVED to approve applicants for 7 Dawson Close.

There being no other business the Chairman declared the meeting closed at 21.38 p.m.

Minutes agreed by Sutton Parish Council as a true record

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Appendix 1 – Report from Ward Councillor

1. I have noted that the playground equipment at Lyme Green Park is finally underway and hopefully will be completed within the next few days. Let's hope this resolves concerns from neighbours.
2. I have not had any recent reports from ANSA on the works required to resolve the flooding issues. I hope that these works will be completed in early course. I have written to Matt Smith at ANSA seeking an update.
3. I have received reports that residents at Lyme Green Settlement have noted that a planning application was lodged to enable two vacant bungalows to be converted into single use occupancy which it is considered will be unsuitable for wheel chair users. There is a feeling that the entire settlement is being run down. I have confirmed that I will write to the charity commission to express concerns on behalf of residents.
4. My request for a report on the removal of tress and bushes on London Road near to Gaw End Lane has not been provided by the council and I note that a fence has now been erected along the boundary to the land.
5. I have met with the two senior offices responsible for the planning application for the land at Danes Moss and I am assured that a new Environmental Report on the land will be commissioned by the council and shared on the council website when to hand. I continue to receive a number of emails from local residents expressing concerns over the proposals.
6. A local business has expressed very serious interest in taking a lease to one of the larger units which is the subject of the pending planning application at Hawkshead Quarry. I have confirmed that I will do what I can assist the proposed tenant in ensuing that if possible on this occasion, the council will grant planning permission.
7. A local resident drew my attention to the fact that the revised timetable for the number 14 bus had not been put in place at Macclesfield bus station or along the route. I made contact with the council about this. I am pleased to learn that earlier this week, the updated time tables were put in place.
8. As previously confirmed the outcome of the CGR has now been confirmed by the full council with no changes to the parish boundaries.
9. It is noted that Ross Evans has left United Utilities and Peter Gill is covering his role until a replacement is found. A group of local residents have raised concerns as to the management of the land and I have asked Mr Gill if he will meet with residents as they have expressed annoyance that several meetings arranged with residents have been cancelled.
10. While not directly relevant to residents in Sutton and Langley, I unveiled the new boundary stone for the Peak Park in Rainow last Monday.

Appendix 2 - Report from Park 4all @Lyme Green:

1. Work is currently being undertaken on the Robin Lane Park to relocate the children's play area away from neighbouring houses on Lindrum Avenue. This has necessitated the relocation of two of the pieces of outdoor gym equipment. The remaining picnic tables will be put on site and the wildlife area will be planted up. With the exception of the stone feature which will be located near the pergola everything will be in place for the Queen's Platinum Jubilee weekend. For safety reasons Ansa have closed the site for a week.
2. Planning for the Party/Picnic in the Park is progressing with a variety of children's activities arranged and music being provided by the Music Box. A flier has been distributed to all households in Lyme Green advertising the event and the planned activities.