

Sutton Benger Parish Council

Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting

Held on Wednesday 14th January 2015 at the Village Hall, Sutton Benger

Present

Councillors: P Jones, K Smedley (Vice-chair), N Davis, K Pound

Also present: Linda Bragg, Parish Clerk, County Cllr H Greenman and 3 members of the public.

The meeting started with Cllr Jones in the Chair.

001⁽¹⁵⁾ Apologies

Apologies were received from Cllrs: Pope, Woodville, Parry-Jones (personal), Dony (unwell), Alexander (work).

002⁽¹⁵⁾ Declarations of Interests

There were no declarations of Pecuniary Interests for the purposes of the meeting.

003⁽¹⁵⁾ Public Forum Session

Cllr Jones addressed a question from a member of the public regarding the outstanding purchase of 2 new Neighbourhood Watch signs, the Clerk was asked to put this item on the Agenda for the meeting on 11 February 2015. The matter of the salt bin being re-sited was also raised and Cllr Jones advised that Cllr Pope had the matter in hand.

Cllr Smedley took over the Chair.

004⁽¹⁵⁾ Chair's Announcements

Cllr Smedley informed the meeting of the Wiltshire Council's Parish Housing Survey and asked for volunteers to help distribute them to every house in the Parish. Cllrs Jones, Davis and Pound and Mr N Hodnett volunteered.

005⁽¹⁵⁾ Minutes of Previous Meetings

It was **resolved** to **agree** the minutes from the Parish Council Meeting held on 12 November 2014 and the Extraordinary Parish Council Meeting held on 3 December 2014 and they were signed off as a true record of the proceedings.

006⁽¹⁵⁾ Financial Issues

- a) It was **resolved** to agree the invoices totalling £545.13 for signing and to **agree** the one-off non-consolidated payment to the Clerk for the sum of £50.00 in her December 2014 pay.
- b) It was **resolved** to agree the 20 extra hours requested by the Clerk to complete necessary tasks.
- c) It was **resolved** to agree the Budget for 2015-16 and increase the Precept by 1.2%.
- d) It was **resolved** to agree to reduce the size of the flower bed on the High Street at the junction with Manor Farm Drive. The Clerk was asked to ascertain ownership of the flower bed and to obtain quotes for the work.
- e) It was agreed that the Clerk would contact the Police to try and ascertain whether an insurance claim could be made to replace the bench damaged in a road traffic accident at the Draycot Cerne corner on the B4069.

007⁽¹⁵⁾ Planning / Development Control

- a) It was **resolved** to agree the Planning Applications as follows:

14/09744/WCM	Lower Compton Waste Management Facility, Lower Compton, Calne, Wiltshire SN11 8RB	Retain and extend existing Materials Recycling Facility including transfer activities, screening bund and ancillary activities and development	To object . Clerk was asked to contact local Parish Councils to ascertain their comments.
14/11340/FUL	The Barn, Draycot Cerne, SN15 5LD	Erection of all-weather riding arena (retrospective)	To object on the basis of incorrect information on the application. Cllr

			Greenman was asked to call it to committee.
14/12070/FUL	The Park High Street Sutton Benger Wiltshire SN15 4RQ	Residential Development Comprising 13 Dwellings, with Associated Gardens, Parking, Drainage and Landscaping	To approve subject to conditions.

- b) It was **resolved** to agree expenditure for the Clerk to proceed with the investigation to register the site of the grass verge fronting 62-66 High Street, Sutton Benger to gain title of ownership for SBPC.
- c) Cllr Greenman was asked and agreed to investigate the site formerly known as 'Springbok' on Seagry Road, Sutton Benger for any planning infringements.
- d) It was **resolved** to agree to start the process to implement a Neighbourhood Plan. The Clerk was asked to ascertain the procedure to start the application.

008⁽¹⁵⁾ **Highways and Transport**

- a) Cllr Jones raised the issue of the advertising banners on the fence at the Draycot Cerne/B4069 junction causing a distraction for motorists. The Clerk was asked to write to the owner.
- b) It was **resolved** to agree to support the request from a parishioner for a 50mph speed limit on the B4122 from Junction 17 of the M4 to the Draycot Cerne junction with the B4069.
- c) The Clerk was asked to contact the CATG to investigate moving the bus stop at The Bell along the High Street to opposite Barrett Lane.
- d) It was **agreed** to wait to see if further funding would be available from 1 April 2015 to install dropped pavements on the High Street at 'Starlings'.

009⁽¹⁵⁾ **Chippenham Area Board**

- a) No report given in Cllr Alexander's absence.
- b) It was **resolved** to agree to host a Parish Forum in the Sutton Benger Village Hall.

010⁽¹⁵⁾ **Clerk's Report**

Forms part of these minutes (available on request from the Clerk).

Meeting ended at 21.55 hrs

Next Meeting Date

Parish Council Meeting Wednesday 11 February 2015 commencing 19:45 with a Public Forum.

Chairman..... **Date**.....