

# Sutton Benger Parish Council

## Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting

Held on Wednesday 10 February 2021 remotely via Zoom

In line with The Local Authorities and Police and Crime Panels (Coronavirus) (Flexibility of Local Authority Police and Crime Panel Meetings) (England and Wales) Regulations 2020, this meeting was held remotely using the Zoom platform enabling both Council members and the public to hear and be heard.

Those present were noted as Cllrs N Roynon (Chair), C Mansfield, B Carter, R Gaunt, J Williams, L Craig, J Campbell and D Spencer (arrived 20:35). Also present L Roslyn, Parish Clerk and Ward Cllr H Greenman (part).

117<sup>(20)</sup> **To receive Apologies and reasons for absence**

No apologies were received.

118<sup>(20)</sup> **To receive declarations of interests from members regarding the agenda.**

Cllr N Roynon declared an interest in the amendments to planning application - 20/08773/FUL - Land at No. 3 Chestnut Grove. No further interests were declared.

119<sup>(20)</sup> **Public Forum Session**

No matters raised.

127<sup>(20)</sup> **Arts Development Projects**

It was **agreed** to move this item up the Agenda. Cllr C Mansfield reported that they had reluctantly decided to postpone the BARTS Festival until 2022 due to the ongoing Coronavirus pandemic. They will be proposing some smaller 'taster' events, workshops, etc when allowed through the year until the main event. Cllrs C Mansfield and J Campbell will continue to work on the History Trail.

120<sup>(20)</sup> **Minutes of previous meeting**

It was **resolved to approve** the minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on 13 January 2021.

121<sup>(20)</sup> **Finance**

- a) It was **resolved to approve** the monthly accounts statements and the payment of new invoices totalling £189.60 for online payment.
- b) It was **resolved to approve** the quote from S Moor-Bardell for the 2021-2022 Maintenance Contract for the Gossip Areas and Grass Cutting.
- c) It was **resolved to approve** the quote from Marcus Anstie Ltd for the 2021-2022 Maintenance Contract for the Bus Shelter Cleaning.
- d) It was **resolved to approve** the purchase of a new Monitor for use by the Clerk at a cost of £174.00.

122<sup>(20)</sup> **Planning / Development Control**

- a) It was **resolved to respond** to new planning applications as follows:

	Planning Ref	Details	Response
i	21/00489/TCA	3 Manor Farm Drive SN15 4RW - 30% Crown Reduction and 10% Thin to Beech Tree (T1)	<b>No Objections</b>
ii	21/00812/TCA	Gate Stable, High Street, SN15 4RE - 30% Crown Reduction to 1 Birch (T1), Reduce Hazel and Hawthorn to Previous Pruning Points (T2 & T3)	<b>No Objections</b>
iii	21/00984/TCA	Avonstone House, Barrett Lane, SN15 4UZ - Up to 3 Metre Reduction to 1 Ash Tree and 1 Field Maple (T1 & T2)	<b>No Objections</b>

- b) It was **agreed** to continue to support 20/08773/FUL - Land at No. 3 Chestnut Grove, SN15 4TP – Erection of a dwelling - following the release of revised/additional documents.

123<sup>(20)</sup> **Neighbourhood Development Plan**

Cllr R Gaunt reported on the NDP Steering Group's recent meeting advising that they will be carrying out a consultation on any green spaces in the village that residents might want protecting.

124<sup>(20)</sup> **Defibrillator at Wellesley Arms**

It was **resolved to approve** the defibrillator ownership being passed from SWAST to the Parish Council at no cost.

(20:35 Cllr D Spencer arrived)

126<sup>(20)</sup> **Neville Terrace Gossip Area Works**

It was **agreed** to move this item up the Agenda. Cllr J Campbell reported on the quotations received for the groundworks and was disappointed that they seemed to be excessively high. She proposed that we postpone the works until 2022-2023 and this was **agreed**. She agreed to liaise with the grounds maintenance contractor to discuss ongoing maintenance in the interim.

125<sup>(20)</sup> **Highways & Parish Steward**

Cllr D Spencer reported that the Parish Steward would be clearing the drains on the High Street and Sutton Lane. Cllr R Gaunt reported that there is a dead tree on bank along the High Street near The Bell – the Clerk agreed to report it via MyWilts. Cllr N Roynon raised the issue of raw sewage coming up through the drains during heavy rain – the Clerk advised everyone to report it to Wessex Water.

128<sup>(20)</sup> **Rights of Way**

Cllr R Gaunt reported on the stiles that were being repaired. The Clerk was asked to contact Wilts Council to confirm details of the new footpath through the Arms Farm development.

129<sup>(20)</sup> **Flooding/Emergency Plan**

Cllr N Roynon reported on the raw sewage from overflowing drains and flooding issues on Seagry Road near The Flambe.

130<sup>(20)</sup> **Communications/Social Media**

Cllr B Carter reported on the various posts he had put on Facebook, including dog mess, Census 2021, etc.

131<sup>(20)</sup> **Environment/Climate Emergency**

Cllr J Williams reported on queries from several residents on the willow trees that had been pollarded near The Park/Seagry Road.

132<sup>(20)</sup> **Village Clean-up Day**

This was postponed due to Covid-19 restrictions. The Clerk agreed to see if she could find some litter pickers that residents could use whilst out walking.

133<sup>(20)</sup> **Village Hall**

Cllr J Campbell has little to report – she advised that the Village Hall Committee are looking at holding small events to celebrate the hall's 20<sup>th</sup> birthday.

134<sup>(20)</sup> **Primary School**

Cllr B Carter has nothing to report.

(21:15 Cllr H Greenman arrived)

135<sup>(20)</sup> **Wiltshire Council**

Cllr H Greenman reported on the £75m Chippenham Distributor Road and urged everyone to respond to the Wilts Council Consultation as it should really be a Relief Road (Cllr J Williams shared the link).

136<sup>(20)</sup> **Clerk's Report**

The Clerk's Report forms part of these minutes and is available on request.

137<sup>(20)</sup> **Date of the Next Parish Council Meeting**

The date of the next Meeting was noted as **10 March 2021** to be held remotely, starting at 7.45pm.

Meeting ended at 21:25.

**Chair**..... **Date**.....