

Sutton Benger Parish Council

Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting

Held on Wednesday 12 January 2022 in the Sutton Benger Village Hall

Those present were noted as Cllrs N Roynon (Chair), R Gaunt, J Campbell, B Carter, L Craig, D Spencer and C Mansfield. Also present L Roslyn, Parish Clerk.

129⁽²¹⁾ Apologies and reasons for absence

Apologies were received from Cllr J Williams (work).

130⁽²¹⁾ Declarations of interests from members regarding matters on the agenda

No declarations of interest were received.

131⁽²¹⁾ Public Forum Session

No matters raised.

132⁽²¹⁾ Minutes for approval

It was **resolved to approve** the minutes of the Parish Council Meeting of 8 December 2021 and they were duly signed.

133⁽²¹⁾ Finance

- It was **resolved to approve** the monthly accounts statement and new invoices totalling £230.83 for payment.
- It was **resolved to approve** the transfer of £1,000 from the S106 Arts funds to the BARTS Treasurer to enable cash payments to be made to suppliers for the BARTS Festival 2022.
- It was **resolved to approve** the Budget (v2.0) for 2022-2023 and the Precept for 2022-2023 at £14,340.41 (a 1.3% increase).

134⁽²¹⁾ Planning

It was **resolved to respond** to one new planning application as:

	Planning Ref	Details	Decision
a	PL/2021/11419	Sutton Benger Village Hall, SN15 4RP – Acer – Fell, Lime Bushes (T2/T3) remove branches touching school roof.	No Objection subject to condition

135⁽²¹⁾ Neighbourhood Development Plan

Cllr R Gaunt reported that the Housing Needs Survey had now closed and the details were being collated by Wiltshire Council and that the NDP Group were meeting the following week.

136⁽²¹⁾ Highways & Parish Steward

Cllr D Spencer gave a brief update and advised that the Parish Steward would next be in the village on 20/24 January. Cllr L Craig updated the Council on the Speed Indicator Device and her request for volunteers. The Clerk gave details of the SID installed in Christian Malford and it was agreed to go ahead with getting a quote for the Evolis Solar Powered SID from Elan City.

137⁽²¹⁾ Arts Development Projects

- Cllr C Mansfield gave details of the Information Boards for the History Trail and Rights of Way and, following detailed discussions, the Cllrs gave their views on the material, aesthetics, size and locations for them. She will arrange quotes for the boards and graphic artist based on the recommendations made.

- b) Cllr C Mansfield reported that they were finding it difficult to get volunteers to help with the BARTS Festival and will be drawing up a list of definitive roles so they can advertise for volunteers to fill specific roles and are also going to advertise for a Volunteer Co-ordinator.

138⁽²¹⁾ **Rights of Way**

Cllr R Gaunt had nothing to report – all was well with the rights of way.

139⁽²¹⁾ **Flooding/Emergency Plan**

Cllr N Roynon had nothing to report – all was well.

140⁽²¹⁾ **Environment/Climate Emergency**

No update report received. Cllr N Roynon advised that there had been an application for a new Solar Farm in Chippenham.

141⁽²¹⁾ **Village Hall**

Cllr J Campbell asked for clarification on the criteria for the £2,000 'birthday gift' that the Council had approved, and it was agreed that it could not be used for revenue items. Discussions also took place on the possible installation of a Pavilion by the Rugby Club and the Clerk agreed to confirm that the S106 funds for indoor leisure facilities could be used for the project.

142⁽²¹⁾ **Primary School**

Cllr B Carter had nothing to report – all was well with the school.

143⁽²¹⁾ **Wiltshire Council**

No update report received.

144⁽²¹⁾ **Clerk's Report**

No update report received.

145⁽²¹⁾ **Date of the next meeting**

The date of the next Parish Council Meeting was noted as 9 February 2022 in the Village Hall.

Meeting ended at 21:25

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