

Sutton Benger Parish Council

Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting

Held on Wednesday 8 February 2023 in the Sutton Benger Village Hall

Those present were noted as Cllrs N Roynon (Chair), J Campbell, B Carter, L Craig, J Williams, C Mansfield and D Spencer, and L Roslyn, Parish Clerk, 11 members of the public and Ward Cllr Howard Greenman.

143⁽²²⁾ **Apologies and reasons for absence**

Apologies were received from Cllr R Gaunt (holiday).

144⁽²²⁾ **Declarations of interests from members regarding matters on the agenda**

No declarations of interest were received.

145⁽²²⁾ **Public Forum Session**

Residents from Queens Close raised concerns following the submission of a planning application to replace the garages with a residential dwelling, including access issues (which we again advised were a civil matter), covenants on the sale (also advised this was a civil matter), the lack of an ecology report especially as there are slow-worms on the site and the grassed area is the soak away for 4 adjacent properties.

149⁽²²⁾ **Planning**

It was **agreed** to move this item up the Agenda and following an update from Cllr N Roynon it was **resolved to respond** as follows:

d	PL/2023/00371	Garages at Queens Close - Demolish existing garage block and erect dwelling.	Object
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146⁽²²⁾ **BArts Volunteer Group**

- To Chair invited Jo Watchman from the BArts Volunteer Group to give details on their proposals for using the remaining £3,476.62 S106 Arts Development funds by giving grants of up to £500 for community Arts projects.
- It was **resolved to approve** transferring the remaining £3,476.62 S106 Arts Development funds to the BArts Volunteer Group once the appropriate terms and conditions for the grant applications had been agreed.

147⁽²²⁾ **Minutes for approval**

It was **resolved to approve** the minutes of the Parish Council Meeting on 11 January 2023 and they were duly signed.

148⁽²²⁾ **Finance**

It was **resolved to approve** the monthly accounts statement and new invoices for payment totalling £3,537.04.

149⁽²²⁾ **Planning**

Cllr N Roynon gave an update on new planning applications received and it was **resolved to respond** as follows:

a	PL/2022/01747 (Amended)	Langley Burrell Farm, Sutton Lane, SN15 4LW - Demolition and replacement of poultry buildings and associated infrastructure	No Objection – Subject to Condition
b	PL/2022/09773	Land adj Rockwell Cottage, 8 Sutton Lane, SN15 4RU - Erection of 2 No. dwellings with detached garages and associated ancillary development	Object
c	PL/2022/09784	St. Modwen Park, Kington Langley, SN15 5BD - Variation of condition 1 of planning consent 18/08446/REM to allow for an amendment to the design of Unit 2 to increase the height of the parapet wall	No Comment

- 150⁽²²⁾ **Neighbourhood Development Plan**
Councillors were encouraged to respond to the Regulation 14 Consultation.
- 151⁽²²⁾ **Highways, Parish Steward & Speed Indicator Device**
- a) **Highways and Parish Steward** - Cllr D Spencer reported that the Parish Steward had not been in the village as he was on County-wide pothole filling duties.
 - b) **Seagry Road Traffic Calming** – Cllr C Mansfield reported on the LHFIG Meeting she attended on the 24 January 2023 and that we are now waiting to hear from them on their initial inspection, which we have requested to attend.
 - c) **Speed Indicator Device** - Cllr L Craig reported that she is still waiting on an installation date from Ringway for the post installations.
- 152⁽²²⁾ **Rights of Way**
No update received from Cllr R Gaunt.
- 153⁽²²⁾ **Allotments**
Cllr C Mansfield advised that the SBAGA AGM would take place in March.
- 154⁽²²⁾ **Flooding/Emergency Plan**
Cllr J Williams reported on his, and the Clerk's, meeting with the Flood Resilience Office at Wilts Council about what measures could be taken when the River Avon floods and causes the B4069 to become impassable. The FRO agreed to contact the Environment Agency to discuss the opening/closing of the radial gates on the Avon to see if this would help. She also invited us to the next Northern Flood Working Group in March.
- 155⁽²²⁾ **Environment & Sustainability**
Cllr J Williams advised that he has reported the fly-tipping along Seagry Road, near the M4 bridge.
- 156⁽²²⁾ **Village Hall**
Cllr J Campbell reported that the Quiz Night went well and raised funds for the VH. The VHMC are a bit disappointed that the extension proposals have had to be put on hold until the S106 funding is available.
- 157⁽²²⁾ **Primary School**
Cllr B Carter had nothing to report.
- 158⁽²²⁾ **Wiltshire Council**
Ward Cllr H Greenman reported that blue badge free parking had been approved. He reiterated the importance of NDPs, especially as they will now maintain gravitas for 5 years. He also advised that Local Plans will now be set by the local authority and not Central Government going forward.
- 159⁽²²⁾ **Clerk's Report**
The Clerk's Report was given and forms part of these minutes.
- 160⁽²²⁾ **Date of the Next Meeting**
The date of the next Parish Council Meeting was noted as being on Wednesday 8 March 2023 at 7.15pm in the Village Hall.

Meeting ended 20:48

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