



Sandymoor Parish Council

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Minutes of the meeting held at
Sandymoor School on Thursday 20th March 2014 commencing 7.30pm

Present:

Cllr David Felix (Chair)
Cllr Andrew Lockyer
Cllr Jackie Watkins
Cllr Simon Hurst
Cllr Shahzad Tahir
Michelle Cotgreave (Clerk)

Also in Attendance:

HBC Cllr John Bradshaw. Also members of the public.

140 Apologies where accepted from:

Cllr Richard Eastburn, Cllr Jo Wakefield and Cllr Adam Irvine

141 Declarations of Interest

To receive declarations of interest in accordance with the Council's Code of Conduct (and section 106 of the Local Government Finance Act 1992)

No declaration of a interests where received.

142 The minutes from the previous Parish Council Meeting, which was held 27th February 2014, were accepted as a true record, with one amendment to be made.

143 Policing Matters – Update

There was no updates given by Cheshire Police who attended. The PCSO who attends for the Parish Council was unable attend the meeting, due to lack of resources.

144 Stephen Rimmer – HBC Traffic Management

Stephen Rimmer, HBC Traffic Management kindly agreed to attend the meeting and discuss traffic management and traffic calming for the Sandymoor area.

Standing Orders were suspended for this agenda item and an open discussion took place regarding the subject matter, with both the Parish Council and the Public / Residents.

Traffic Management, the following was discussed:

- Enforcing weight limits in the area;
- Cheshire Police cannot enforce the weight restrictions;
- Problems with construction vehicles / local transport vehicles;

Traffic Calming. The following was discussed:

- There are no bylaws to traffic calming;
- Pilgrims and Malmesbury Park both have 20MPH speed limits;

Resolved – Stephen Rimmer agreed to propose to erect a weight restriction signage on Pitts Heath Lane, in advance of the Wharford Lane junction, to give sufficient advanced warning to larger vehicles. The timescale for the signage was approximate end of May 2014.

Update post meeting: It has been confirmed, the buses which use Sandymoor are generally operating a commercial service to Sandymoor School.

145 Highway Maintenance

It had been raised at a previous meeting, residents had addressed concerns regarding the highway road surface on Pitts Heath Lane. Ian Munro, HBC Highways had been contacted and the points raised by the parish council meeting had been queried with him. Answers had been received and this was fed back to the Parish Council meeting. However, there was concern regarding the answers to the questions / enquiries made.

Resolved – Cllr John Bradshaw will contact Ian Munro regarding the email and feedback to the next Parish Council Meeting.

146 Pinch Point Scheme

At the previous meeting both Dave Cunliffe and John Gill, HBC Highways Department attended to discuss a new 'pinch point highways scheme' which was scheduled to start in the very near future.

Resolved – The justifications and supporting information regarding the scheme, have been received by the Clerk and are now available on the Parish Council website. It was also agreed both Dave Cunliffe and John Gill will attend a future Parish Council Meeting, to give an update on the work scheme.

147 To consider / raise awareness of planning and planning liaison matters:

- **Planning Application No: 14/00079/TCA**

Resolved – This planning application was for the Moore area.

148 Finance: Payments for authorisation and receipts, to the value of £658.92.

149 Development of Sandymoor South - Public Meeting – Update

- **Application No: 13/00478/FUL / Application No: 13/00479/S73**

It was discussed the outcomes of the planning permission had been granted. This decision took place at the HBC Development Control Committee, 20th March 2014. The returning issue being the access via Windmill Hill East.

The change in conditions and the group which is to be formed during the timescale of the development of Sandymoor Parish Council was also discussed. The Parish Council and residents where in favour of the group and being a member(s).

- **Resolved** - Clerk to write to Andrew Plant, HBC Planning and request information / clarification regarding the following:
 - A copy of the 'Construction Management Plan' for the first part of the development.
 - How he expects the development and monitoring process to take place
 - A copy of the terms, conditions and permissions.
 - A group is to be formed to monitor the process of the development. Advise there are resident(s) of Walsingham Drive and a Parish Councillor, who wish be part of this group.
 - Request the information which is shared with the Clerk (as above), is able to be posted on the Sandymoor Parish Council website, by the Clerk.

150 Update on Transfer of Land

The Chair gave an update on the transfer of land which covered the following points:

- Funding agreement.
- Land will be transferred 31st March 2014.
- A dowry totalling £655,296 will be given to the Parish Council, which will manage, maintain and fund this public open space for approximately 30 years.
- Annual cost of Maintenance of Land is ££2,719.
- Formal resolution when land is transferred to ensure the land is handed over at a maintained stage.
- Authorisation of transfer documents and agreement.
- Confirmation required from HBC regarding SLA.
- The Chair, Clerk, Parish Councillor Lockyer and Parish Councillor Watkins have met with Mark Davies, CCLA regarding the most effective method of investment for the dowry. The returns from the dowry to pay for the ground maintenance of the land which will be transferred to the Parish Council.
- The CCLA Property Account is a tried and tested fund, which has been operating for approximately 50 years.
- Local Council Administration Book also recommends the CCLA.
- At the end of the 30 year agreement, this fund will fall into a general bank account.
- This agenda item will be discussed in more detail in Part: 2.

Resolved: – A meeting to be arranged with Paul Wright, HBC Landscape Services, to discuss the maintenance contract.

151 Risk Assessment

A draft risk assessment is now in place for the Parish Council.

Resolved – The risk assessment will be updated in line with the new financial commitments the Parish Council will have.

152 Website

It was discussed all information from ‘presentations’ or ‘matters of interest’ to the residents of Sandymoor, will be posted on the Sandymoor Parish Council website.

Resolved – The Clerk will ensure the website is used as an ‘information point’ for the residents of Sandymoor.

153 April – Parish Council Meeting

The next Parish Council Meeting is scheduled to take place Thursday 17th April 2014.

Resolved – It was agreed the date for the next Parish Council Meeting will be hanged to ‘Wednesday 23rd April 2014, at 7:30pm, in Sandymoor School. The website and the BIG article to incorporate this change.

154 Correspondence to Clerk

The Environment Agency

Brenda Fildes, The Environment Agency had contacted the Clerk regarding the outcomes of flooding analysis, which she spoke about at a previous meeting she attended.

Resolved – For the Clerk to invite Brenda Fildes to the next Parish Council Meeting to share these findings.

Chalc – Annual General Meeting

Chalc had advised the date of the next annual general meeting.

Resolved – Parish councillors to contact the Clerk if they wish to attend.

Chalc – Fees

Chalc had notified the Clerk there would be an increase in fees for new registration and module re-sit costs will increase significantly.

Resolved - at present to action to be taken.

Audit of Accounts

The Clerk had received notification the audit date had been set for the 30th June 2014.

Contact with the Clerk to the Parish Council

At this point, the Chair informed the public that the Clerk works for the good of the community of Sandymoor. The Clerk doesn't have time to spend on information requests from residents, which do not enhance the good and a well-being of the community.

155 Public Air Time – Limited to 10 mins
(subject to the discretion of those Councillors present)

Standing Orders where suspended.

Land from HCA

A discussion took place regarding the up keep and maintenance of the land, with particular attention to the Ponds in the area, which the Parish Council is to be given as part of the transfer of land from HCA.

It was discussed, under the terms, any guarantees between HCA and the Developer, the Parish Council will benefit from.

156 Any other matters arising for future discussion.

- To be more proactive in project management within the community of Sandymoor.

Resolved – Where possible, to use the Big Publication and website to communicate this proactive style within the community.

157. Date of Next Meeting

Wednesday 23rd April 2014, at 7:30pm, in Sandymoor School.

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Chairman, Sandymoor Parish Council