

Sydenham Parish Council

Minutes of Parish Meeting of the Parish Council 1st November 2018

Present: Alison Isherwood (AI) - Chair
 Rachel Blake (RB)
 David Wilkins (DW)
 Janet Potts (JP)
 Mike May (MM)
 Karen Dewar (KD – Clerk)

Members' declaration of interests (for items on the agenda)	No interests declared	
Approval of minutes	The minutes of the previous meeting were approved and signed.	
Planning	<p>P18/S0967/FUL Manor Farm Demolition, extension, alteration and conversion of existing buildings to form four dwellings with parking and amenity space. Planning Committee on 17.10.18 – decision: Granted MM will draft a letter to be send by email to Adrian Duffield, Head of Planning at SODC, cc Paula Fox, Planning SODC, and DW will provide a contact at Historic England.</p> <p>P18/S3215/HH New garden room with alterations to entrance Wykehams Barn, Brookstones, Sydenham OX39 4LY No objections</p> <p>P17/S3659/O Appeal Seven dwellings with access, parking and amenity space, together with stables and parking Land north of Sydenham Road Sydenham OX39 4LH Previous objections still stand, but we will re-submit together with additional points</p>	<p>MM</p> <p>All</p> <p>RB</p>
Finance	<p>The following items were approved for payment: £13.09 to SODC for dog hygiene bin £310.00 for Clerk salary £125.80 for training/handover to new Clerk £130.85 for chevron/visibility tape for van (RB expenses)</p> <p>Income received – £281.71 from HMRC, tax rebate ref: previous Clerk £1811.25 from SODC, final CIP payment, for Holliers Close</p>	

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	<p>Review Budget for 2019/20</p> <p>The expected expenditure for next financial year was reviewed using comparisons against prior year's costs.</p> <p>It was decided to keep the amount of Precept requested at £10,000 and any shortfall would be funded from the Reserve account.</p> <p>Clerk to produce a simplified spreadsheet, showing income and expenditure for Neighbourhood Plan and CIL separated out from transactions relating to Precept income.</p> <p>An updated Budget sheet will be prepared to approve at December's meeting</p>	
<p>NatWest Current a/c: b/f £12,114.61</p>	<p>October Payments:</p> <p>£48 to OALC, training £10 to A Isherwood, fuel £13 to T Roe, NP Expenses £3.09 to Southern Electric £1,000 to W Munday, grass cutting</p> <p>Receipts:</p> <p>£281.71 from HMRC, tax rebate £1,811.25 from SODC, CIL</p>	<p>Closing balance at 31/10/18</p> <p>£13,133.48</p>
<p>NatWest Reserve a/c: b/f £12,108.53</p>	<p>Receipts:</p> <p>£2.04 October Interest received</p>	<p>£12,110.57</p>
<p>SSE electricity supply</p>	<p>Still awaiting final stage, due to be implemented imminently.</p>	<p>MM</p>
<p>Speeding / Pinchpoint and van</p>	<p>OCC have been in touch confirming that grant application for pinch point has progressed.</p> <p>Survey has had a good number of responses for RB to analyse</p> <p>The chevron strips for the van have been received and RB will be applying</p>	<p>MM</p> <p>RB</p>
<p>Playing Field Project and toddler swing</p>	<p>The toddler swing has been repaired by local neighbours, who also arranged for materials to be donated.</p> <p>DW will speak to CC re his concerns over the nets.</p>	<p>DW</p>
<p>Road Drainage & ditches</p>	<p>DW to arrange local contractor to clear the ditches.</p> <p>Biffa have swept the road but there are still many twigs left behind after the hedge cutting at the Inn at Emmington end of the village.</p> <p>Thames Water are being chased re clearing of silt on road and in drains deposited following two mains bursts on the B4445.</p>	<p>DW</p> <p>AI</p>
<p>Neighbourhood Plan</p>	<p>The Draft NP is in its final stages, and due to be distributed soon. The next stage is for the PC to approve and then for it to be submitted to SODC, who will check it and then publicise a consultation period.</p>	<p>MM</p>

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	It was agreed to use the names of the pubs to differentiate between the two different ends of the village ie/ Crown end and Inn at Emmington end. The referendum process for the village is likely to happen in Spring 2019.	
Broadband	The Inn at Emmington end of the village should have connection to power late November	AI
Matters Arising	New clerk already has a printer and doesn't need the one owned by the PC. The previous clerk has made an offer to buy it for £80. No decision made pending Clerk's required use.	
Correspondence	It has been confirmed that St Mary's church bells will ring a peal on 11 th November at 12:30pm to participate in the nationwide commemoration of the Centenary of the end of WW1. AI to include in next Sydenham mail. P17/S1884/0 – Land west of Chalford Road, Postcombe OX9 7DS – PC previously objected so have been advised that the decision has been appealed against.	
Any Other Business	Date has been set for Will Munday's funeral and AI will include it on the Sydenham Mail. It was agreed that in recognition of his long and committed service to the village a £100 donation to the charity of his family's choice would be made. Concern has been expressed regarding parking on the Village Green by contractors used by new residents. It was decided that an informal and neighbourly chat could explain that should not be done. P17/S2649/FUL - 1-8 Sydenham Grove, Sydenham, OX39 4LP - APPEAL ALLOWED - Demolition and build - a neighbour has offered to monitor and report any breaches of conditions. Clerk to provide him with A3 copies of the plans, and architects drawings etc It was agreed there would not be an Autumn litter pick this year, one will be organised next Spring. Clerk to ask Tree Officer to inspect and advise about the oak tree in Brookstones that is showing signs of distress.	
There being no other business the meeting closed at 9.25pm. The next meeting date is Wednesday 5 th December at 7.30pm in the Old School Room.		

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