

Sutton Bonington Parish Council

Minutes of the meeting of Sutton Bonington Parish Council that was held on Monday 5th July 2021 at 6.30 PM in the village hall

Present:

Cllr McMullen-Kerr, Cllr Raven, Cllr Collings, Cllr Simpson, Cllr Harrod, Cllr Jackson, Cllr Betts, Cllr Burgess, EMA representative, Colleen Hempson, 2 members of the public and the clerk.

363/2021 – Resolution to receive apologies for absence

- Apologies were received from Cllr Bembridge and Cllr Hood, these were accepted by councillors. It was noted that apologies had also been received from Cllr Matthew Barney.

364/2021 – Resolution to receive declarations of interest on items on the agenda

- Cllr Collings declared an interest on item 367, as a relative of an applicant and 372, as an employee of air freight company.

365/2021 – County Council/Borough Council/Police reports

- The clerk confirmed that the police report would be circulated as soon as it had been received.

366/2021 – Public Forum

- A member of the public asked if the parish council had commented on the Glebe Farm planning application, Cllr Jackson confirmed that the committee had decided not to object.

367/2021 – To review councillor co-option applications and agree appointment.

- The clerk reported that following the advert for councillor co-option several applications had been received. It was noted that there was only one councillor seat vacant. A copy of the applications had been circulated to councillors prior to the meeting so that they could review the application independently. Councillors were asked to vote on seat 1, this was done by way of a private ballot, the outcome was that applicant A was co-opted. The clerk confirmed that the successful applicant would be notified via email along with those unsuccessful applicants.

368/2021 – Resolution to approve minutes of the meeting held on the 4th May 2021

- A copy of the minutes of the meeting held on the 4th May 2021 were circulated to councillors prior to the meeting. Cllr Harrod proposed that they be accepted as a true record of the meeting, this was seconded by Cllr Burgess and all councillors were in agreement. A copy of the minutes will be uploaded onto the parish council website and will be signed by the Chair at the next available meeting.

369/2021 – Resolution to approve payments

- The clerk submitted a schedule of payments totaling to councillors prior to the meeting. Cllr Collings proposed the payments, this was seconded by Cllr Raven and all councillors were in agreement.

Neil Toothill, maintenance & cleaning	£172.80
Helen Chadwick, clerks salary	£926.76
Helen Chadwick, reimbursement for car park barrier and chain	£55.50
Community Heartbeat, defibrillator electrodes	£46.80
Water Plus, pavilion water supply	£98.58

British Gas, pavilion electricity supply	£70.60
Kents Services, mowing	£516.00
HMRC, PAYE	£257.71
Sutton Bonington Primary School, donation towards inspirational workshop	£250.00
TOTAL	£2,394.75

370/2021 – Resolution to approve quotation for installation of power supply at the Jubilee Tree by Western Power

- Cllr Harrod reported that she had now received a further quote from Via for £2,571.67 for all civil works, including the excavation required for the feeder pillar and ducting. Excavation will take place over the footpath, so once the ducting and feeder pillar have been installed, Via will reinstate the footpath. (Reinstatement includes re-tarring the surface and putting any stones and slabs back in place.)
- It was noted that the parish council will have to supply the actual tree lights.
- Cllr Betts proposed that we accept the quote and Via to proceed with the works, this was seconded by Cllr Simpson.

371/2021 – Resolution to approve quote for the hedge works at the allotments and the playing field

- The clerk reported that additional quotes had been received the work which is to flail both sides and top of the hedge bordering the allotments on one side and the footpath on the other side and to flail the top of all the boundary hedges in the playing fields/meadow/orchard, total length in the region of 1000m/1200m
- Cllr Raven proposed that quote C (£350) be accepted, this was seconded by Cllr Betts and all councillors were in agreement. The clerk will liaise with all contractors.

372/2021– Update from meeting with EMA

- Cllr Jackson reported that he and the Chair had attended a virtual meeting with colleagues from EMA and it was noted that:
 - Cargo flights are up 19% this year
 - Larger and noisier planes being used but apparently all still within the noise guidelines
 - Runway 09 is being used more due to wind direction
 - Excess charges/penalties to aircraft resulted in some £90k which is now within the Community Fund
 - The next deadline for applications for grants from the Community Fund is the 20th September
 - There was a lot of discussion about the future airspace consultation and the parish council can be involved from 2023
- Cllr Jackson introduced Colleen Hempson from EMA to the meeting who reported that the airport has been significantly affected by COVID and that losses are in the region of £1m per day. Colleen Hempson commented that there has been a significant increase in the number of complaints being received regarding the change in flight paths but that they are all within the boundaries allowed.
- Colleen Hempson reiterated that the parish council will be invited to submit comments as part of the Government's Future Airspace Programme.

373/2021 – Update on anti social behaviour at the playground and review of the car park being locked

- The clerk reported that the entrance to the playground car park is being locked overnight on Friday and Saturday. Councillors discussed whether this should continue and it was agreed that it would be good to continue locking the car park over the summer holidays and to review it at a later date.
- The Chair asked for our thanks to be minuted to the resident who is locking and unlocking the car park.

374/2021 – Update on Sutton Bonington Fibre Broadband and agree actions

- Cllr Jackson reported that 18 months when this was first addressed the village qualified for the installation of fibre broadband but we have since been informed that the village no longer qualifies.

- The Local MP, Ruth Edwards has written to BT Openreach about this.

375/2021 – To discuss the rubbish issues at Diamond Wood/the river and agree actions

- Cllr Collings reported that there have been a lot of comments on social media about the amount of rubbish that is being left in Diamond Wood and along the river. It was noted that whilst these areas are not the responsibility of the parish council they would contact the University of Nottingham about additional litter picks.

376/2021 – To discuss the speed gun and agree actions

- Cllr Harrod had asked whether it would be possible to have the speed gun back in the village. Cllr Raven reported that he has the gun but that it does need a new battery which will cost approximately £75 + VAT. It was noted that anyone wishing to use the speed gun would need to be trained.
- Councillors agreed that it would be good to have this available again in the village. Cllr Raven agreed to source a battery. Cllr Harrod agreed to liaise with PC Kelly Carlile about the training and would recruit some volunteers.

377/2021 – To discuss the Local Government Boundary Commission for England (LGBVE) public consultation to maintain the current pattern of electoral wards for the Borough and agree response

- The clerk circulated details of the consultation prior to the meeting and councillors agreed to submit comments to the clerk by the 12th July.

378/2021 – To discuss the consultation on the proposed update of the RBC laws around dog control and dog fouling: proposal to introduce a Public Space Protection Order (PSPO) on areas open to the public

- The clerk circulated details of the PSPO proposal by RBC to councillors prior to the meeting. Cllr Jackson commented that the planning committee had discussed the proposal and taking on councillors comments it had agreed not to adopt the PSPO at this time but that this can be reviewed in the future. It was also noted that there is no one to enforce any orders that adopted.

379/2021 – Working Party updates

- A copy of the working party updates had been circulated to councillors prior to the meeting and added to the website. There were no further comments.

380/2021 – Planning & land

It was noted that a copy of planning applications had been circulated to councillors as they were received. The planning committee reviewed the applications and it was noted that:

- **Park Lane Development** - Still no detailed planning application submitted, which was due in by end of May, then end of June. Ideas please for what the village would like to see the substantial CIL and S106 monies spent on that should become available when the development commences
- **Cycle Track Soar Lane Jubilee Woods** - We hear that this is now very unlikely to proceed
- **Verges** - Western Power need another chase as some verges remain in need of restoration, the developer of College Road has reseeded the verges albeit poorly
- **Zouch Bridge Replacement** - Leicestershire CC now seriously considering repairing the existing bridge as cost of replacement bridge tenders were too high.
- **4 College Road** - revised application for reduction in ridge height of new house. The PC objected on grounds it would be out of character
- **Sutton Fields House The Lodge** - Certificate of Lawfulness for garden intruding into open countryside. The PC to Object on the grounds of both being into open countryside and another blatant attempt to override the planning rules with a retrospective application
- **10 Landcroft Lane** - new dwelling with revised lower height ridge height. The ridge height has been reduced by 1.00m (8.8m to 7.8m), however we should still object as per the previous reasons of massing height etc
- **4 Park Lane** - new very large dwelling, the PC have Objected
- **Overhead cables and pylons** - WPD have asked for permission to access one of their pylons in the Orchard to the rear of the playing fields. They probably do have rights of access anyway. The

PC have also been asked if we would agree to a connection to this same pylon for a new solar farm proposed near Kegworth. Awaiting details. There could be a large financial gain to the PC

381/2021 – Date of next meeting

- Monday 6th September at 7.00 PM in the village hall

Closed at 20:15