

SAMBOURNE PARISH COUNCIL

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Chairman: Cllr Chris Clews

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Minutes of Parish Council Meeting held on Monday 7th January 2013

Present:

Cllr Chris Clews	Chairman
Cllr Phil Jones	
Cllr David Shaw	
Cllr Geoff Smith	
Cllr Roy Davies	
Cllr Clive Rickhards	WCC
Cllr Justin Kerridge	SDC
Teresa Murphy	Clerk

1. Apologies: None

There were 18 parishioners present

2. Disclosure of interest: None

3. Presentation by Bloor Homes

Duncan McKay and Chris May attended the meeting to conduct an open forum on possible construction on land between Brickyard Lane and Green Lane. Bloor Homes have a contractual position over the land in question and the site is planned to be used for housing in the next two years. Bloor Homes are working with Stratford District Council, within context of the Local Plan, and wish to engage the views of local communities. There was considerable opposition to this development - the main causes of concern that were raised were:

- The proposed housing would cause the destruction of the green space
- Severe congestion in the Johns Close/Green Lane area
- Problems surrounding sewage and drainage
- Tree preservation

Discussion took place around these concerns and Mr McKay and Mr May assured residents that this was the start of a long process and they would be working with SDC Planning Department on the issues raised.

Parishioners present were asked to leave their e-mail addresses with the Clerk for future reference.

4. Minutes of the last meeting

The minutes of the meeting held on 12th November 2012 were agreed and signed by the Chairman.

5. Matters arising from the Minutes

Flagpole: To be carried forward

30 mph repeater signs: Cllr Rickhards to gain information and report to next meeting.

Action: Cllr Rickhards

Maintenance of Coughton Cemetery: The Clerk confirmed a cheque for £150 had been forwarded to Coughton Parish Council.

Damage to The Green: Carried forward.

Action: Cllr Smith

Traffic and Speed Limits: It was agreed that the Chairman would talk to Cllr Rickhards about traffic calming measures. He will then write to Chris Fossey (WCC), with a copy to Cllr Rickhards and Nadim Zahawi.

Action: Chairman

Bank Account Signatories: The Clerk confirmed that Cllr Davies is now an authorised signatory for the Parish Council accounts.

Planning Enforcement – Paddock adjacent to Haydens, Middletown Lane: Cllr Kerridge confirmed that the application was on the list. To be carried forward.

Action: Cllr Kerridge

2014 : Anniversary of World War 1: All the names on the War Memorial are from the First World War and it was agreed that they should be restored and re-engraved. Cllr Davies has been in contact with the War Memorial Trust to seek advice about a survey being carried out on the Memorial. It will be necessary to update the Trust's website with details about the Sambourne Memorial. Cllr Davies agreed to work with a local historian and action this. It was also agreed that the Chairman and Clerk would research possible grants to cover some of the cost of this work.

Action: Cllr Davies, Chairman, Clerk

Flooding at Capilano Corner: The Chairman agreed to contact WCC about this problem.

Action: Chairman

6. Public Participation

Cllr Kerridge requested payment of £35 for production of the December issue of The Voice.

7. Flooding in Middletown Lane – raised by Mr Snape

Flooding is an ongoing problem in the area of Mr Snape's house and there is a very real concern that it will encroach on the surrounding properties. Cllr Rickhards has contacted John Brown and written a formal letter to Paul Cowley and will continue to press this matter. The Chairman would be happy to meet Paul Cowley if necessary.

Action: Cllr Rickhards

8. Accounts

The following cheques were signed:

Information Commissioner	Data Protection	35.00
Open Spaces Society	Subscription	45.00
Mr J R Gibbs	Mowing	1175.70
Cllr C Clews	Expenses and Website	40.58
Cllr Kerridge	Sambourne Voice	35.00

The Clerk was asked to write to Mr Gibbs and renew the contract for the mowing year 2013/2104. The Clerk was also asked to write to Matthew Austin (SDC) to claim the contribution to grass cutting costs for 2012/2013.

Action: Clerk

9. Planning

Results of Planning Applications since the last meeting:

12/01185/FUL	Chestnut Court, Jill Lane	Erection of two additional car park lighting columns	Granted 29 th November 2012
12/01798/FUL	Bodkin Hall Haydon Way	Vehicular access	Granted 20 th November 12

New Applications since last meeting:

12/02415/FUL	Robert Green Glebe Farm, Whitemoor Lane	Demolition of existing farmhouse and replacement with one dwelling	Fully supported
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Chestnut Court: It was noted with concern that this application had been granted, although the Parish Council had raised objections. Cllr Kerridge reported that he had made a comment at Planning Committee about letting the residents of Sambourne down.

Glebe Farm: Mr Green has written to the Parish Council asking for their support as he has heard that the planning officer may refuse his application. The Parish Council has already given their full support to this application in writing to SDC and it was felt this was sufficient at present.

Footpath AL133 at Allelys: A letter had been received from Mr D Allely in response to the Parish Council's letter expressing concern about this footpath. In order to escalate the matter it was agreed that:

- 1) Cllr Jones would again contact the Rights of Way Officer
- 2) The Clerk would contact the Ramblers Association and ask for their support

Action: Cllr Jones, Clerk

10. **Chairman's Business**

Community Governance Review: Concern had been expressed by some parishioners that properties in Kiln Close, Johns Close, part of Green Lane and part of The Slough would become part of Studley. It was agreed that the Clerk would write to the Parish Review Officer and state that Sambourne Parish Council see no valid reason for the change.

Action: Clerk

Flooding in Sambourne Lane: Mr and Mrs Cole have been very concerned about the flooding in Sambourne Lane. Their property is situated just below the cricket club and the water has been flooding across the road and into their driveway. After discussion the following was agreed:

- 1) The Clerk would write to Mr Green at Glebe Farm and ask him if he would be kind enough to have a look at his ditches and see what could be done to alleviate the problem. Photographs supplied by Mrs Cole to be included with the letter.
- 2) The Clerk would investigate the acquisition of sandbags. These would be delivered to Cllr Smith who would arrange for them to be filled.

Action: Clerk

11. **Any other Business**

- 1) Cllr Shaw reported that there were deep pot holes in Sambourne Lane at the Capilano bend and also in Coughton Lane.

Action: Chairman

- 2) Cllr Jones reported a music centre that had been dumped in a gateway in Wyke Lane. He agreed to contact SDC and arrange for removal.

Action: Cllr Jones

12. **Dates of next meetings:**

Monday 4 th March 2013 at 7.45 pm Annual Parish Assembly Monday 13 th May 2013 at 7.00 pm Annual Meeting 13 th May 2013 at 7.30 pm Parish Council meeting 13 th May 2013 at 7.45 pm
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