

**Minutes of Sevington with Finberry Parish Council**  
**Meeting held at the Chamber of Commerce on Monday, 4<sup>th</sup> October 2021 at 7.30pm**

<b>Present</b>	Cllr Martin (Chair)	Cllr Bartlett
	Cllr Bartram	Cllr Hughes
	Cllr Lemon	Cllr Townsend

In attendance: Tracey Block (Clerk)

To be actioned by:

<p><b>To receive and approve apologies for absence</b>          Apologies had been received from Cllr Whybrow.          The apologies were approved. Cllr Whybrow's apologies were ill-health related.</p>	
<p><b>To receive declarations of interest (Disclosable Pecuniary Interests and Other Significant Interests). The nature as well as the existence of any such interest must be declared.</b>          Cllrs Bartlett and Hughes declared a personal interest in the Inland Border Facility due to the proximity of their respective home addresses to the site.</p>	
<p><b>To approve the minutes of the meeting held on 6<sup>th</sup> September 2021.</b>          The minutes were approved as a true record.</p>	
<p><b>To discuss matters arising from previous minutes that are not covered by the agenda.</b>          The hedges at the IBF have now been cut and cleared.          There is to be a public enquiry into the footpath closure.          The Clerk is chasing National Highways regarding the signage request for the A2070.</p>	
<p><b>Co-option of new Councillor</b>          The Declaration of Acceptance of Office and the Declaration of Pecuniary Interest Forms were completed and signed.</p>	
<p><b>Public session: To receive questions and comments from the public on any agenda item.</b>          There were no members of public present.</p>	
<p><b>Borough Councillors Report</b>          Cllr Bartlett's Report had been circulated and is taken as read.          Cllr Bartlett agreed that he would contact Damian Green MP and ask him to push Trudy Harrison MP regarding the signage for the IBF, following her appointment as the Parliamentary Under Secretary of State at the Department of Transport.</p>	
<p><b>Planning Matters</b>          There had been no new Planning Applications received.</p>	
<p><b>Update on Waterbrook</b>          Cllr Martin offered to deliver booklets to Cllrs Hughes and Townsend.          Comments to the planning application have been submitted. Cllr Bartlett has asked Roland Mills for clarity as to how this application will be dealt with as it is important that the decision is made by the planning committee and Parish Council representation is desirable.</p>	
<p><b>IBF Update</b>          Light baffles have made a small difference to a few people. The viewing corridor lights have been removed. HGVs continue to travel down Church road. The weeds need clearing because they have seeded and seeds have blown over neighbouring lawns. The Clerk is to request a follow up discussion with Kyle Cliff.</p>	

### **Sevington North matters**

The issues raised for Sevington North are: the play park vegetation had not been cut; the Clerk had reported this to Aspire. This has now been cut back.

Vegetation on Barrey Road had also been discussed; Cllr White had taken this forward. Clerk to check that this has been dealt with.

The telephone box needs some remedial work – this is underway and will be charged at cost to the Parish Council as a very kind gesture by John Lang.

Cllr Whybrow had also reported issues with the skips at Wickes being emptied very early in the morning and banging about. This is likely to contravene a planning condition.

It was suggested that a newsletter would be a good form of communication for the residents in Sevington North.

### **Financial matters:**

To approve the following financial documents:

- i. To note the Parish Council's financial position

The Parish Council noted bank balance of £11,724.70 with cheques outstanding.

- ii. To authorise any payments

All Payments were authorised

### **Any Other Business (for information purposes only)**

The traffic issue at the New Bilham Farm build is causing issues due to poor visibility and no traffic markings. This issue and a number of others were proposed to be put forward at a discussion with Crest to be requested at the next meeting.

The Clerk will invite Crest to the meeting to discuss the following:

- The formal structure of the Management Committee for the development
- The formal structure for the Management Committee of Captain's Wood
- Proximity of the buildings at Captain's Wood
- Speeding/parking/road marking issues
- How the Community Centre will be delivered
- How the Parish Council and Crest might work collaboratively regarding the Queen's Platinum Jubilee

Cllr Martin explained that he would like to draw members of the public in to the Parish Council meetings and suggested that a newsletter should be sent round to the residents. His vision is that the Parish Council is more proactive.

The Queen's Jubilee was discussed with the possibility of lighting beacons.

**Determining the time and place of ordinary meetings of the Council up to and including the next annual meeting of the Council. Locations were discussed and it was considered that the Chamber of Commerce was most preferable.**

Monday 1 November 2021

Monday 10 January 2022

Monday 7 February 2022

Monday 7 March 2022

Monday 4 April 2022

Monday 9 May 2022

The meeting closed at 8.33 pm