

SUTTON UPON TERN PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Sutton upon Tern Parish Council Meetings held at 7.30pm on Wednesday the 26th September 2023, at the Festival Drayton Centre.

Present: Cllr Michael Dams (Chair) , Cllr Terence Hodge, Cllr James Danks, Cllr Lauren Carey, Cllr Esta Jane Middling, Cllr Catherine Morgan and Cllr John Lugg

Clerk: Graham Bould.

Six Parishioners present

56/23. Welcome, Public and Partner Session: The Chairman welcomed everyone to the Parish Council meeting and invited any comments. Every Parishioners who spoke raised a number of valued planning objections to the resubmission of the Gypsy/Travellers planning application later on the agenda. The comments have been summarised within the comments submitted to Shropshire Council below. An additional item was raised by a Parishioner with reference to concerns about the Chicken Sheds off Hollins Lane, these concerns would be followed up after the meeting with the individual concerned. Warrant Officer Kevin Morley had sent his apologies due to leave. An email will be circulated to members covering the areas of night flying, Hi Vic for horse riders and the Aries Magazine. There being no further items the Chairman thanked the Parishioners present for their input and moved onto the next item of business.

57/23. To formally co-opt any members to the Parish Council: This item is to be carried forward to the next Parish Council meeting as no one has come forward for co-option at present.

58/23. Apologies:Cllr Allison Jackson (agreed till the 24th January 2024 meeting leave of absence due to illness). Cllr John Tomkinson (business), Warrant Officer Kevin Morley, RAF Shawbury (leave) and Shropshire Councillor Rob Gittins (illness)

59/23. Declaration of Disclosable Pecuniary or any other Interests and Dispensations: None

60/23. Approval of the minutes of the meeting held on the Wednesday 26th July 2023: Cllr T Hodge proposed and Cllr E J Middling seconded the minutes of the 26th July 2023 as a true and accurate record of the meeting. Members agreed the minutes unanimously and the Chair signed the minutes in the presents of Councillors.

61/23. Clerks Report: The Clerk highlighted a number of items from their report. Canal survey research and newsletter delivery are still work in progress. Those involved in the Community led Housing working group would receive an email shortly about the site visit to Prees in October 2023. Bulbs, seeds and plants are available for the Autumn planting project. The new bench design has been agreed and Cllr J Danks agreed to forward some potential site locations for agreement with Shropshire Council. Members further agreed that an additional Neighbourhood project be submitted to Shropshire Council for therefore the Clive Barracks strategic site for self build plots.

62/23. Rights of Way Working Groups report: Cllr M Dams updated members on the verge project and would provide some additional location sites for consideration by Shropshire Council. A local Parishioner at the meeting who works for the Prison Service at Stoke Heath agreed to raise the potential of practical projects across the parish with the Governor.

63/23. Web site/social media updates: Members praised the interaction of the social media platforms and web site that Cllr L Carey has been able to develop for the Parish Council. Members further agreed to the bronze standard payment for the HugoFox web site.

64/23. Planning Applications.

23/04168/CPE: The Coach House, Tyrley Road, Woodseaves. (for information only)

23/02652/FUL: Land East of A529: change of use of land to Gypsy/Traveller site for 3 family pitches to include the erection of amenity building improvement of access and installation of bio-disc sewage treatment plant.

The Parish Council continues their objections to the resubmission of 23/02652/FUL land East of A529 for a Travellers Site, as previously set out on National Policy grounds, Policy CS12, its scale, access, ecology, drainage and request that the application is called in for committee scrutiny.

The Parish Council is still not satisfied that the above resubmission has over come any of the planning concerns previously stated in objections. Whilst we welcome highways pre conditions there is still a concern larger vehicles and caravans exiting the site will need to cross the carriageway and result in danger to other road users.

Concerns continue to be raised about the local connections of any potential families that would take up any of the on site plots highlighted within the application coupled with the new layout further breaking up the form and layout of the existing hamlet together with the height of the cables across the site. **OBJECT**

65/23. Outside bodies and any courses attended: Nothing to report.

66/23. Finance and Audit Matters.

1. A copy of the bank reconciliation and bank statement were tabled along with the updated budget spend were tabled, agreed and signed. The annual risk assessment and assert statement were also agreed.

2. The following payments were agreed and cheques signed for the following Parish Council commitments.

Number	Name	Amount
100461	Festival Drayton (room hire)	£22.50
100462	Clerks expenses (expenses)	£33.00
100463	HMRC (PAYE)	£148.00
100464	Clerks salary (salary)	£1,166.95
DD	SWALEC (August)	£46.86
DD	SWALEC (September)	£47.84

67/23. Highways & Footpaths: Police Speed checks, flooding on Sutton Lane (golf course) and at Colehurst – carry forward for Shropshire Councillor Rob Gittins.

Items for inclusion on future agendas. Police Speed checks and flooding on Sutton Lane (golf course) and Colehurst. Plus extension of new footpath and other works/contractors rubbish on the A529 – Shropshire Councillor Rob Gittins

The meeting then closed at 20.40pm

Signed:

Chairman.

Date: 29th November 2023