

SUTTON UPON TERN PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Sutton upon Tern Parish Council Zoom Meetings held at 7.30pm on Wednesday the 25th November 2020.

Present: Cllr A Jackson (Chair), Cllr M Dams, Cllr R Gittins, Cllr C Swaithes and Cllr J Danks

Clerk: Graham Bould.

RAF Shawbury: Warrant Officer (WO) Kevin Morley.

36/20. Welcome and Public Session:

The Chair formally welcomed everyone to the virtual zoom Parish Council and particularly Cllr C Swaithes. WO Morley highlighted the following in his report from RAF Shawbury. That the Station wishes to thank the community for their support for the latest Night Flying Phase, which went on longer than expected due to a number of nights having to be cancelled due to poor weather conditions.

The Winter Edition of the Aries Magazine will be published in Mid-December. Due to the current COVID situation, the RAF will not be distributing hard copies of this edition. However the magazine will be available to read on the news section of the Station website when it is published

(<https://www.raf.mod.uk/our-organisation/stations/raf-shawbury/>)

The Station also wishes to thank the community for their on-going support of RAF activity. The Station is continuing to follow all of the PHE and Government direction on COVID-19, as a result they are unable to support any community projects at this moment in time. The Station has also had to cancel the Autumn Reception, Landowners Day and the Senior Citizens' Christmas Lunch. Dependent on the situation, it is hoped to resume these events in 2021.

Group Captain Wadlow takes over from Group Captain Mullen as Station Commander on 11 December 2020. There being no Parishioners present the Chair moved to the next item of business.

37/20. Apologies:

Cllr B Maddox (Hospitalised, members agreed that a card be sent),

38/20. Declaration of Disclosable Pecuniary or any other Interests and Dispensations: None

39/20. Approval of the minutes of the meeting held on 29th July 2020:

Cllr R Gittins proposed and Cllr M Dams seconded that the minutes were a true and accurate record; the Chair then signed the minutes in the presents of Councillors and would email the PDF signed copy to the Clerk.

40/20. Clerks Report:

The Clerk referred Members to the report circulated with the calling notice and highlighted the following items.

1. Task & Finish Group Community led Housing activity has been focused around the contact of groups to help with recruitment to the project. Members further agreed that a press release should be issued.
2. The dialogue has recommenced with the Four-Alls to provide the electricity supply for the defibrillator. Once installed the kit would be purchased for installation at the site.
3. Cllr J Danks is in the process of following up Morrison's community champions in Market Drayton for tools and materials for the volunteer project in Pell Wall, Woodseaves and Sutton.

41/20. Planning Applications:

1. 20/02953/FUL: Re-consultation: Amendment on applications 11/00803/FUL & 11/00804/LBC - Pell Wall Hall. Proposal: Internal and external alterations in connection with the erection of a two storey Soanian style balcony to the south east elevation, construction of garage and workshop and landscaping affecting a Grade II* Listed Building. **No Objections**

42/20. Street Lights/Maintenance/repairs; opportunity to report any items requiring attention:

1. Fly tipping: Members highlighted several 'hotspots' for fly tipping across the Parish. The Parish Council then **Resolved** that model by-laws be investigated through SALC. That some form of signage be secured

on the approaches between Market Drayton and the Golf Course and Colehurst to Bennett's Farm with engaging through other interested partners.

2. Shropshire Council has a scheme for organisations to secure free trees for planting across the County as a response to climate change; if members could identify potential sites and volunteers to plant trees they are to contact the Clerk.
3. Cllr C Swaithe reported on the potential of lights being switched off by Amey in Otterly Way and Pendrel Close whilst remaining on at Mortimer Road. Ownership of the lights remained uncertain at present.

43/20. Highways & Footpaths:

1. Potholes Colehurst: Cllr A Jackson report on the poor structure of the road and bridge at Colehurst due to heavy vehicles and poor drainage meaning that the potholes that are repaired are re-appearing again within weeks. Cllr R Gittins agreed to take the problem up directly with Shropshire Council in terms of a road survey and then for a potential 're-dressing' of the surface during the May to August 2021 work programme.
2. A41: Cllr C Swaithe raised the problem of 40 mph signage on the A41. Cllr R Gittins indicated that this job had been post onto the repair/replacement scheme in May 2020 but that there is at least a six month delay with the highways contractor on signage for Shropshire Council. It remains an item that is followed up weekly to check the priority listing.
3. Hollins Lane and Canal and River Trust Land: there remained an outstanding item with the closure of the recently refurbished steps from the canal tow path to land above the cutting which linked to the rights of way network at Hollins Lane. The Clerk is still trying to set up an onsite meeting with the Trust which is delayed because of the pandemic. In terms of Hollins Lane it remains too soon to challenge none determination of the claimed right to the Planning Inspector. The Clerk will advise the Parish Council on the best approach in due course.

44/20. Courses & Reports: None.

45/20. Finance and Audit Matters:

1. The Clerk indicated a reduction in weekly hours because some projects are not materialising as planned.
2. Members are to let the Clerk have any details of potential project for 21/22 before the precept meeting.
3. Members agreed to purchase twelve more large poppies for use during 21/22
4. Members accepted the quote for footpath clearance on the A529 at £940, this would also facilitate the returns and new submission of an Environment Grant to Shropshire Council of £1,500 (50/50 grant intervention) for 21/22.
5. Members agreed the following invoices, payments and receipts set out below:

Number	Name	Amount
100374	David Probert (bench renewal)	£ 495.00
100375	Warwickshire & West Mercia CRC (tow path) x2	£ 324.00
100376	Clerk expense	£ 30.02
100377	Clerk Q3 Salary	£1,300.38

46/20. Items for the next Agenda: None at present Members to email the Clerk before the next meeting with any items for consideration. The Chairman then wished the Parish Council, Community Partners and their families a Very Merry Christmas and Prosperous New Year.

The meeting then closed at 20.10pm

Signed:

Date: 27th January 2020