

SOUTHROP PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE SOUTHROP PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON MONDAY 9th December 2019

Present: Cllr Guest Cllr Jones
Cllr Giles Cllr C Brickley

In attendance: Vanessa Lawrence (Clerk), Mr C Medley (part)

080 19/20 Apologies for absence

Apologies were received from Cllr P Brickley

081 19/20 Declarations of Interest in Items on the Agenda

Cllr Guest declared a pecuniary interest in Item 093 19/20

082 19/20 To approve the Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on the 14th October 2019

It was **RESOLVED** to approve the Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on the 14th October 2019. Proposed Cllr C Brickley, second Cllr Jones – all in favour.

083 19/20 To agree to adjourn the meeting for Public Participation, if members of the public are present - there is a 10-minute time limit

It was **RESOLVED** to adjourn the meeting for Public Participation. All in favour.

Mr Medley wished to comment on the condition of the road between Southrop and Filkins in relation to work that has been undertaken by Glos. Highways and W. Oxon Highways to improve the surface and repair potholes into the verges. Mr. Medley reported that repair work on the Oxfordshire side has created problems for vehicles passing due to the removal of some of the pull-ins and the installation of bollards. In some circumstance's vehicles would have to reverse back onto the A361 to allow oncoming traffic to pass.

084 19/20 To agree to reconvene the meeting following Public Participation, if applicable.

It was **RESOLVED** to reconvene the meeting following Public participation – all in favour.

085 19/20 Clerks Report

The Clerk reported that on-line banking has now been set up, and changes to the signatories had been requested. A meeting between SPC, Cllr Theodoulou and Glos. Highways had been organised.

Mr. Medley left the meeting

086 19/20 Chairman's announcements

- **CHEQS Magazine** – Cllr Guest reported that the new format has been published which appears to be more village focused rather than church focused. There is more local news.

- **Traffic calming** – The Parish Council’s views on Traffic Calming measures have been published on the noticeboard and website
- **Grant to Village Hall** – The Parish Council has awarded a grant of approximately £10k to the Village Hall; the grant covered the cost of recent work to install acoustic panels on the ceiling and new heating and lighting systems.
- **Grasscutting** – A meeting to be arranged with Mr. Benfield to discuss grasscutting more of the verges at the entrances to the Village. The Clerk suggested that a plan of the areas is drawn up and a quote obtained from Mr. Benfield and other contractors, once the plan has been agreed.

087 19/20 To receive report from District/County Councillor

Not available in the Cllr Theodoulou’s absence.

FINANCE

088 19/20 To approve retrospectively, payments made to date and to approve payments to be made in December.

It was **RESOLVED** to approve, retrospectively payments made in November and payments to be made in December. Proposed Cllr Jones, seconded Cllr Giles – all in favour.

089 19/20 To consider year to date figures

The year to date figures were considered with no comment.

090 19/20 To consider and agree final stage of Budget setting

The figures presented for the 2020/21 budget were considered. It was **RESOLVED** to agree final figures. Proposed Cllr Jones, seconded Cllr C Brickley – all in favour.

091 19/20 To consider and agree 2020/21 Precept request

Having considered the budget figures for 2019/20 and the projects that the Council would like to undertake next year it was **RESOLVED** to agree to request the sum of £12500 as the Precept for 2020/21 subject to this information having been published in the normal way requesting comments from residents. If no comments of objection are received this will be formally approved before the end of January. Proposed Cllr Jones, seconded Cllr Giles – all in favour. This figure results in a Precept of £79.56 per annum for a Band D property (an increase of 3.66%).

PLANNING

092 19/20 To receive Decision notices:-

19/03259/FUL |Full Application for Demolition of existing tin sheds and erection of a detached outbuilding to form garage and store at Sunnyside Lechlade Road Southrop Lechlade Gloucestershire - PERMITTED.

19/03473/FUL |Partial change of use of Dutch barns and former greyhound kennels building to car workshops, and demolition of one bay, regularisation of B1/B8 uses in Dutch barn, including building alterations, creation of hard standing and landscaping – PERMITTED 1/11/19

19/03565/FUL|Replacement asbestos garage roof with sedum green roof at Clockfield Cottage, Southrop – PERMITTED

19/03500/TCONR|Beech tree on village green - Two branches growing towards bus stop to be removed, crown raise by 1.5m, inner crown thinning by 20%, dead wood to be removed on The Green Southrop Gloucestershire – NO OBJECTION

Cllr Guest left the room

093 19/20 New Planning Applications

19/03374/FUL |Installation of sheep shelter (retrospective) at Leachfield House, Southrop, Lechlade, GLOS.

This item was added to the Agenda as a formality, with Cllrs having already commented by e-mail, as the application had been received between meetings. Cllrs once again confirmed that they had NO OBJECTION to this application. The Clerk would relay this information to the District Council.

ACTION: Clerk to contact CDC Planning Dept.

Cllr Guest returned to the meeting.

OTHER MATTERS

094 19/20 To consider and agree dates for the next 4 meetings – February, April, June, August 2020.

It was **RESOLVED** to meet on the following dates:-

27th January 2020

30th March 2020

The Annual Parish Council meeting -May 2020

27th July 2020

The Annual Parish Meeting to be held on the 30th April 2020

These dates excluding the 27th January to be confirmed at the next meeting.

ACTION: Clerk to add this item to the Agenda for the next meeting, with the exception of the 27th January, which is confirmed.

095 19/20 To consider and agree that Southrop Parish Council fulfils the prescribed criteria to become eligible to use the General Power of Competence.

The Clerk explained that SPC fulfils the criteria for eligibility for the General Power of Competence, which is the "Power of first resort". Full details of this power to be emailed to Cllrs. Following discussion it was **RESOLVED** to agree that SPC fulfils said criteria and is therefore eligible to use the General Power of Competence. Proposed Cllr Giles, seconded Cllr Jones – all in favour.

096 19/20 Anything the Chair considers urgent.

Nil of note.

097 19/20 Date of next meeting 27th January 2020

There being no further business, the meeting closed at 9pm.

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