

SWEPSTONE PARISH COUNCIL

Parish Council Meeting Minutes

Held at: Via Zoom Video Conference due to Coronavirus Lockdown.

Date: Wednesday 20th January 2021 at 8.00pm

Present *Councillors:* B Sumner, N Makin, A Milner, P Cook
Chairman: C Robinson
Parish Clerk: Annie Callingham

490/2020 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

None

491/2020 LOCAL POLICING REPORT

Clerk shared that there has been one reported crime in the parish over the last 30 days.

Between 24-26/12/20 tools were stolen from a container on the Snarestone Road.

492/2020 PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

No-one had asked for any issues to be raised on their behalf.

493/2020 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Councillors were reminded of their duty to declare any personal or prejudicial interests – none were declared.

494/2020 MINUTES

The minutes of the meeting held on December 2020 were agreed as a true and correct record of the meeting and no further matters or new decisions have arisen since. Signature from Chair unable to be gained at this time.

495/2020 MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

None

496/2020 CORRESPONDENCE

Councillors considered the correspondence from the St Peters Church requesting financial support during the pandemic. It was agreed that the Parish Council will pay for all of the grounds mowing for the church yard for the year as a one-off gesture.

Also, the Parish council agreed to donate £200 to the church to support the running of the church hall as this is used as a wider community asset by different groups.

RESOLVED: Clerk to communicate with Geoff Cantwell and ask for the church mowing invoice to be directly invoice to the parish clerk. Clerk to update the church representatives on the decisions made and transfer the £200.

497/2020

MONTHLY PROGRESS REPORT

This was reviewed and update accordingly. Key points to note are that:

- Aylesbury Gardens - The High Court has heard the appeal and we are waiting for the outcome from NWLDC. Expected in February at the earliest.
- Speed Indication Devices Upgrades due mid-February.
- A new bin will be in place on the corner in Newton Burgoland where the brick planter is by the end of January.
- Fly-tipping - Snarestone Road layby has been done.
- Councillor Milner and Councillor Cook to laminate some OS Maps with walks through the parish for the notice boards.
- Empty house is still being investigated by NWLDC – 11, School Lane, Newton Burgoland. Section 103 Notice was served on the owners on 3rd December for a 3-month window.
- Coffee Connect Van on hold due to lockdown in place but will still visit when restrictions allow.
- Clerk to contact those responsible for the maintenance of The Roughs wooded area in Sweptstone regarding the plastic around trees.

RESOLVED: Clerk to update the progress report and follow up on actions.

498/2020

ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT

The Clerk circulated the latest accounts and updated the council of the current bank balance. The Council agreed to pay the following invoices:

- Clerks Expenses
- G Cantwell – Handyman Hours

RESOLVED: Clerk to pay these invoices on-line, and update finances.

499/2020

PLANNING MATTERS

Council discussed the planning application 21/00018/FUL – Pheasant Cottage (the erection of detached out building) and agreed to object based on the discussions that it is a substantially sized proposed urban development in a rural area, that will be seen from both a prominent footpath and close to the roadside at a point where two roads cross. The size, scale, location and nature of the proposal were considered to be excessive and inappropriate having regard to the open aspect, exposed location and existing facilities. If NWLDC were minded to grant consent this should be conditioned to ensure no subsequent use for residential living purposes, however temporary or transient, was allowed. Save for the use as an adjunct to a single dwelling house for a single family unit.

RESOLVED: Clerk to update NWLDC Planning Team

500/2020

COVID 19 LEAFLETS

The council agreed to go ahead with the offer from NWLDC for a COVID leaflet drop to be distributed with the next newsletter.

RESOLVED: Clerk to liase with NWLDC

501/2020 REPORTS FROM COUNCILLORS

Clerk raised the request from NWLDC to start to make villages aware of the Census 2021 campaign in March. Councillors agreed to put this in the newsletter.

RESOLVED: Clerk to put in newsletter

502/2020 ITEMS FOR NEXT AGENDA

None.

Next Meeting:

Budget Meeting: 27th January 2021

Parish Meeting: 17th February 2021