**Sutton upon Derwent Parish Council**

**Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting**

**held on Monday 20th July 2020 at 7.30pm via Zoom**

**Present:-**

Chair: Cllr M McCaffrey

Councillors: Cllrs A Hardcastle, T Cox, M Lovatt, M Piercy, E Smith,

Ward Councillors: Cllrs K West

Clerk: Mrs Yvonne Eggleston

**073/20 To record any Apologies for Absence –** Cllrs P West, D Sykes

**074/20 To record any Register of Interests –** None

**075/20 To approve the minutes of the previous meeting and release for publication if approved:**

Proposed: Cllr Cox Seconded: Cllr Piercy, that the minutes be approved and signed

in readiness for publication. All in favour. **Action – YE**

**076/20 To discuss any matters arising from the minutes of the previous meeting:**

**137/19 i) Vehicle Speed Survey** – requested vehicle data has been received. It shows that cars

are being driven at high speeds through the 30mph zone and are averaging at 56mph. It was not

possible to obtain data for Sandhill Lane. A traffic count outside the school has not been carried

out, though current Covid-19 restrictions would not give a true figure.

**030/20 iii) Weight limit on Sutton Bridge** – Cllrs McCaffrey and Hardcastle and the Clerk

met virtually with the chairman and Clerk of Elvington Parish Council. The previous attempts to

have a speed limit imposed and to restrict access through Elvington have stalled. The local MP is

keen to lend his support and so Sutton upon Derwent Parish Council is being asked for its’ support

also.

The Parish Council is in favour of collaborating with Elvington Parish Council though it is

acknowledged that there are other traffic management issues and not just HGVs. The scope of

the limitations needs to be expanded.

It is thought that a sub-group from both Parish Councils should be formed. The Clerk will contact

Elvington’s Parish Clerk. **Action – YE**

**048/20 iii) Wheldrake Ings** – there hasn’t been a response to the email sent to the new

Countryside Officer at ERYC about creating a circular route via the Ings.

There is local objection to this as the area is an SSSi. Farmers say that some walkers are being

disrespectful of the public paths system. There is a formal procedure to go through in order to

close a public right of way.

The Clerk will speak to Sam McGivern at ERYC about the pathways.

Cllr McCaffrey reported that one of the Public Path signs is broken and will need replacing.

He will send a picture to the Clerk so that it can be reported.

**Action – MM, YE**

**048/20 vii) Road closure signage** – The Clerk will ask for the details of the contractor working

at Hagg Bridge to discuss signage and the current diversion route. **Action – YE**

**066/20 i) Flooding/Drainage** – Cllr Smith has looked at the maps of the drainage system in the

village and has drawn up a list of questions which will be put to Yorkshire Water. Once the

documents have been fully assessed, Cllr Smith will circulate to the Parish Council. He did point

out that it seems that parts of the system have not been surveyed and that there are many

sections of the sewer which have collapsed.

Cllr McCaffrey thanked Cllr Smith for all his work on this matter.

The Clerk will contact Yorkshire Water to arrange a meeting. She will also contact ERYC for an

update on the proposed actions from the Public Meeting.

**Action – ES, YE**

**072/20 ii) Sewage leak in Children’s Playing Field** – as the leak has been repaired and the

area has been seeded, the Playing Field is now open. Covid-19 signage has been put up and

hand sanitiser provided at the entrance near the gate

**077/20 Agenda Items**

**i) New Model Code of Conduct – consultation** - Parish Councillors have no issue with this.­­­­­

**ii) Untidy hedges and frontages** – a complaint has been received about the untidy hedges and

frontages of some properties. This situation will be monitored.

**iii) Beacon Green grass** – the weather conditions have resulted in the grass growing faster than

usual. It was proposed that the contractor be able to do more cuts than was initially greed in order

to keep Beacon Green tidy. Proposed: Cllr McCaffrey Seconded: Cllr Lovatt

The Clerk will pursue Carter Jonas for permission to install planters on Beacon Green to create

community herb/vegetable containers. **Action - YE**

Parish Councillors would like to see more use made of Beacon Green.

The planting of wild flowers and herbs would encourage bees and wildlife. It is possible that ‘bug

hotels’ could be put up.

**iv) National Highways and Transport User Satisfaction Survey** it was agreed that all aspects

should be marked as important. **Action - YE**

**078/20 Children’s Playing Field Work Group** – Cllr Lovatt has painted the gates into the Playing Field.

As there is a lot of painting still to do of the play equipment, Cllr Smith asked if it would be possible

to hire a painting contractor. Cllr McCaffrey volunteered to obtain some quotes.

Proposed: Cllr Smith Seconded: Cllr Lovatt **Action – MM**

Cllr Smith expressed concerns about the bottom corner of the Playing Field where a tree has

been removed as it now provides an area which is not visible to others using the Playing Field.

The Clerk will contact Carter Jonas in order to assess any dangers. **Action - YE**

**079/20 To hear update on sustainability** – nothing to discuss

**080/20**  **To note and approve the Monthly Financial Report for June 2020**

Proposed: Cllr Hardcastle Seconded: Cllr Cox. All agreed.

The Clerk will pp them on the Chairman’s behalf.

**To receive and note expenditure against precept to date** – received and noted.

**To note and approve any Requests for Payment and any other requests for payments**

**received:**

1. Clerk’s salary - £223.05
2. Income Tax - £51.20

3) Laminator and consumables - £45.98

4) Antivirus renewal for laptop - £59.99

5) Replacement lock for Children’s Playing Field - £27.24

6) Hand sanitiser for Children’s Playing Field - £11.99

7) Reimbursement for Children’s Playing Field lease payments already approved - £7.50

Proposed: Cllr Smith Seconded: Cllr Lovatt. All agreed that the payments be made.

**081/20 To note and process any Planning Matters**

None

**Notice of decisions received**

**Erection of two storey side extension and rear ground floor extension and erections of a**

**detached garage – Fairview Cottage, Common Lane. Sutton upon Derwent, YO41 4BT for**

**Mr & Mrs C Smallwood – 20/01090/PLF**

Approved

**082/20 To hear and note any correspondence matter**

None

**083/20 To conduct any other business by consent of the Chairman**

i) Cllr West informed the meeting that it may be possible to obtain some grant monies to buy

hand sanitiser for the Children’s Playing Field. She will forward details to the Clerk.

**Action – KW**

**084/20 To fix the date and time of the next meeting.**

Monday 17th August 2020. Time, venue and method will be in line with Coronavirus restrictions

at the time. Parishioners will be made aware that meetings are going ahead via Zoom and that

they can email or telephone the Clerk in advance. It will also be made possible for parishioners

to join the meeting.

There being no other business, the meeting closed at 9.40pm.