

# SAPPERTON PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 9 FEBRUARY 2021

AT 7PM VIA ZOOM

## 1 IN ATTENDANCE

Members of the Parish Council: Sarah Osborn Smith, Chair (SOS); Charles Houldsworth, Treasurer and Vice Chair; Sara Taylor (ST); Marcel Puyk (MP); Daniel Janocka (DJ); Barbara Maloney (BM) Clerk; Graham Marchand (GM);

Also, GCC Councillor Stephen Hirst

**Apologies:** CDC Ermin Ward Councillor Julia Judd (conveyed after mtg)

## 2 MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

Minutes of the January 2020 meeting of the Parish Council via Zoom were approved and will be signed by the Chair as soon as practicable.

## 3 PUBLIC FORUM

No members of the public attended the meeting on this occasion.

## 4 CDC AND GCC COUNCILLOR REPORTS

Cllrs Julia Judd and Stephen Hirst provided their reports by email ahead of the meeting: Both Councillors were delayed joining the meeting. PC agreed to postpone this section to later in the meeting. Council progressed to 'Planning'.

## 5 PLANNING APPLICATIONS

### 20/04591/FUL – JOLLY NICE CAFÉ & FARM SHOP

**Extension to existing farm shop incorporating conversion of former White Horse Inn, retention of existing buildings, existing picnic meadow seating and 2no. yurts, erection of 1no. yurt and glasshouse, creation of 1 no. residential flat, new accesses, parking, and associated landscaping.**

- New Application from JN - received by CDC on 21 December 2020. Parish Council were notified on 3 February. Deadline for comment 23 February 2021

**ACTION:** Extension to the deadline for comment is to be requested by Clerk.

- Retail space appears to be greater than approved in previous application 19/03644/FUL.

**ACTION:** Clerk to check dimensions with CDC Planning Case Officer

- Councillors agreed that the PC might benefit from professional assistance to review and comment on this planning application due to the complex planning history.

**ACTION:** Clerk to contact Planner at Eastington PC for suggestions re professional input.

Main concerns discussed:

- the impact of continued expansion of the business, on the A419 and White Horse Junction.

- GCC Highways – lack of engagement re increased volume of traffic and PC requests for traffic calming measures. Need to identify appropriate contact to approach for action. Road Safety Order a possibility.
- Future considerations - should JN outgrow the site, what controls will there be re possible future uses? Precedents set now may impact on future decisions in AONB. Speculation re future use may not be ‘material consideration’ under planning law.
- CIL payment could be payable on development already started in breach of planning permission. **ACTION:** Clerk to contact Planning Case Officer to clarify this point.

**Matters Arising from last meeting:**

**ACTION:** Councillors to meet with applicant to discuss support for traffic calming measures.

**20/02657/FUL – JOLLY NICE CAFÉ AND FARM SHOP (JN)**

**Erection of drive through (relocation of existing drive through) together with car parking, access, landscaping and associated works.**

No decision has been made yet on this application. Breach has occurred - work has been undertaken without requisite planning permission. PC has lodged two objections on this application.

**20/03785/FUL – JOLLY NICE CAFÉ AND FARM SHOP (JN)**

Installation of External Lighting (retrospective).

Significant amounts of Festoon lighting installed without planning permission and left on overnight disturbing local residents. The Parish Council has already submitted a comment on this application and lighting is currently being turned off appropriately. This application is still awaiting decision.

**OTHER PLANNING APPLICATIONS CURRENTLY IN PROGRESS**

PC resolved not to comment on any other applications currently in progress.

**6 GCC AND CDC COUNCILLOR REPORTS (AS DEFERRED EARLIER IN MTG)**

**6.1 GCC COUNCILLOR STEPHEN HIRST REPORT**

Main Points:

- New cases have fallen – 80 per 100,000 head of population Gloucestershire has lowest ratio.
- Gloucestershire also has highest rate of vaccination
- Concern re cases in Care Homes – independent businesses
- Shire Hall building has received award for ‘Cohesive Development’.
- Budget will be decided on 17 February. 5% increase in Council Tax + 2% increase in Adult Social Care Levy.

**6.2 CDC COUNCILLOR JULIA JUDD**

Main Points from report submitted prior to meeting:

- CDC will remove option to pay by cash in car parks; from March 2021 at Beeches Car park Cirencester; from August 2021 at Forum, Waterloo and Sheep Street Cirencester; and from October 2021 at Brewery Car park.

- Latest round of Business Support Grants should be paid next week after some delay in processing.
- Flood Resilience Meeting scheduled for **Friday, 5 March 2021 from 10:30 UTC-12:45 via Zoom**. Opportunity for residents to hear and ask questions of the continued flood resilience work taking place. Please email [Bettertonj@parliament.uk](mailto:Bettertonj@parliament.uk) with concerns/questions - link to Zoom will be forwarded.

## 7 FINANCE

### 7.1 BUDGET DOCUMENTATION FOR WEBSITE

**ACTION:** RFO to provide Budget summary to include payment to Sapperton Village Hall Committee for renovation of floor in small meeting room: £720 which is due for payment.

7.2 Current Bank balances: Current Account: £706; Savings: £10,033

7.3 Outgoings:

- Clerk's remuneration - £150 p.m.
- Payment to Sapperton Village Hall Committee - £720
- SLCC Membership - £65
- Zoom Pro Version – Clerk to be reimbursed £143.88
- Watershed Magazine - £128

7.4 Chair proposed to increase Clerk's remuneration re hours worked – seconded by Graham Marchand – carried unanimously.

7.5 Clerk proposed new Website as a necessary expenditure. PC agreed to meet cost from reserves.

**ACTION:** Clerk to source quotes.

7.6 **Frampton Mansell Playground Lease:** Bathurst Estate has asked PC to 'make an offer' re lease in response to PC stating proposed increase too high. PC resolved to state that PC cannot afford any increase.

**ACTION:** Chair to write to Bathurst Estate surveyor.  
Accounts approved for Audit

## 8 CLERK'S REPORT

Clerk's Report was circulated to Councillors ahead of the meeting

- Ramblers Association has identified blocked Public Right of Way BSA3 – collapsed wall to be repaired. Ramblers Assoc arranging reopening of path as Covid restrictions allow.
- Flooding near Lower Manor and Viaduct in FM – reported to GCC Highways Incident Number 11302894 and Thames Water consulted. GCC Highways Area Representative will contact Landowner if required.
- Bunds in Overley Wood. Duntisbourne PC Chair concerned. PC agreed no issue if proves to be positive deterrent to hare-coursing, poaching etc. Unauthorised dumping of building material.  
**ACTION** – Clerk to draft email response to Duntisbourne PC.
- Sapperton Housing Needs Survey – 17% response rate. Result yet to be provided.
- Westley Farm – right of way exists from Westley to Lower Manor. New owner appears concerned about route locals are using. To be investigated by local resident.

## 9 PARISH COUNCILLORS' REPORTS

### SOS

- Bath has been dumped at 1<sup>st</sup> 'pull-in' on Chapman's Cross to Sapperton road  
**ACTION:** Clerk to report via CDC Fly-Tipping app.

**ST**

- Sapperton to Winstone road – Edges breaking up and potholes reappearing on road recently resurfaced. GCC Councillor Hirst to report.

**CH** – Nothing to report

**MP** – Left the meeting abruptly – (battery failure)

**GM** – Nothing to Report

**DJ**

- Re FM Agricultural land sold recently. New landowner/Manager contactable re issues with PRWs etc. Owner proposes re-wilding.
- Significant potholes on A419 – GCC Councillor Hirst will report but confirmed these must be a minimum depth before GCC Highways will repair.

## **10 NOTICE OF NEXT MEETING**

**TUESDAY 9 MARCH 2021 AT 7PM – VIA ZOOM**

**IF YOU WISH TO PARTICIPATE PLEASE CONTACT THE CLERK  
ON 01285 760 276 FOR ACCESS LINK AND PASSWORD**

Zoom Meeting Ended: 9.10pm

Signed.....Date.....

(Chair of Sapperton Parish Council)

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