

SANDFORD PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of a Meeting held at SANDFORD COMMUNITY SPORTS PAVILLION, 7.30pm, on Thursday 1st SEPTEMBER 2022.

At a meeting of the Council held this day those present were :-

Chairman B Fyfe

Messrs – M Lee, M Snow, S. Haley, J Stephens, D Hope, R. Stoye. and G Padgham

Mesdame – S Miles and E Dalton MDDC Cllr E Lloyd

Four Parishioners The Parish Clerk Mr M Vallance

The Meeting started with a “A moment for quiet contemplation”.

1) APOLOGIES – Cllrs S Haley, G Ford, and DCC Cllr M Squires.

2) - DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Cllr M Lee - 22/01352/PNAG Dowrich Farm Sandford

Prior notification for the erection of an agricultural building

3) The MINUTES of the Parish Council meeting held on 7th July 2022 were confirmed and signed by the Chairman as a true record

4) To report on MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

a) A Meeting had taken place on the 28th July 2022, attended by four Councillors, to discuss the following :-

Procedures – It was agreed that no changes were necessary to the agendas and minutes, or the Parish Website.

Data Protection – Despite contacting both SLCC, and Devon Communities, the information received had not been able to resolve this matter.

There was concern over the storage of personal email details.

It was agreed to ask DALC, and MDDC, if they could assist ?

In the meantime the Clerk was asked to Register Sandford Parish Council with the Data Protection Regulator and pay the necessary application fee.

b) Vacant Parish Council seat – Although the Clerk had spoken to a couple of interested parties no one was currently interested in filling the vacant seat.

c) Review of weeding arrangements for 2022 – It was agreed that the “weeding by hand” had been largely successful. In recognition it was agreed to send a donation of £200 to Sandford Millennium Green. Proposed Cllr J Stephens, 2nd Cllr G Padgham, and carried.

d) 2022 Gardens results -The results had been published and the Clerk had distributed the prize money. Cllr Stephens had personally thanked Peter Cole from Coplestone for Judging.

e) 20's Plenty signs – The Clerk has gone on line and obtained details of sample signs and Cllr G Padgham agreed to study these and select a suitable design for Sandford

Location for the signs suggested were the roads entering the Village from Crediton, West Sandford, Kennerleigh, and on Fanny's Lane.

4) MATTERS REPORTED ON THE PARISH COUNCIL WEBSITE PLUS MATTERS REPORTED TO THE PARISH CLERK

Concern during the summer months had been expressed over the Furlongs footpath. This included the temporary re routing by the developers of Weavers Way. (now re instated). Damage to the gate post below Brady Close - Steve McCulloch had agreed to repair the gate post Also the condition of the wall below Park House - Richard Spurway (MD Footpath Officer) had agreed to contact the owners of Park House.

5) OPEN FORUM - Four Parishioners were present.

Richard Ward gave details of the Public Meetings held during the summer months.

10th August 2022 – Held at the Parish Hall to discuss the “Proposed parking restrictions in Sandford” and to “Collect ideas on how best deal with speeding vehicles down Church Street and Back Lane”.

30th August 2022 – Held at the Lamb Inn to discuss “possible solutions to traffic and parking”.

Following this meeting, attended by 19 Parishioners, a three page presentation had been put together giving details of ideas showing those “for, against, and no view” for the suggestions put forward.

Discussion then took part of the findings and the “Ideas” put forward.

It was agreed to include a copy of the presentation as an annexe to the September Minutes.

Also to make Sandford traffic and parking issues the main item for discussion at the proposed 2023 Annual Parish Meeting.

Comments were noted on the way the current HATOC procedure had been dealt with.

A Parishioner had noticed that their recently approved planning application was on the agenda.

Was any further information required by the Parish Council ?

The Chairman advised that as this PNAG (Prior Notice Application) it was for reference only.

The four Parishioners then left the Meeting.

6) POLICE MATTERS

No new matters had been reported.

A fire had broken in a farm building at East Village and it was agreed extra vigilance was needed.

No response had been received to the enquiry, sent to Crediton Police Station, as to when the Community Police Team were to visit Sandford as part of their plan to cover the Crediton area.

7) REPLIES

a) Mr N Silk had responded to the Clerk, and the Chairman , during the summer recess, over the Sandford 2022 HATOC process.

He was unhappy over the long delays between the PC and the DCC Road Safety Officer also the failure with the Parish Council engaging with the Parish

In addition the use of the “wrong map” when the HATOC announcement had been publicised in the Village by the Parish Council had caused confusion.

The Chairman felt this was regrettable but did not feel that all these issues were entirely the fault of the Parish Council.

It was felt that the matter had been fully discussed earlier in the meeting (Item 5).

Parishioners had been invited to submit their comments by 19th August 2022 to the Mid Devon HATOC Committee who would act on the responses received.

There had previously been two HATOC processes in the Village, the Square and Meadowside in which the outcome of the comments submitted had been used as the way ahead.

b) PKF Littlejohn– A follow up request for further information had been received on the 2021/2022 Accounts.

The Clerk had sent off these details and had recently been advised that the Accounts were waiting to be signed off by the External Auditor.

c) MDDC – The Clerk had written to MDDC to obtain confirmation of the current S106 balance for Sandford ? He had been told *“I can confirm that there hasn't been any change in the funding amounts available in Sandford since we last spoke in February. For the reasons I explained at the time there is unlikely to be much change to these figures in the future although I can confirm that an invoice has been raised just last week against planning permission 21/00276/FULL which, when paid, will increase the total money available towards adult exercise equipment to a total of £15,112.00”*.

It was agreed to discuss this further under Item 9 (a).

8) CORRESPONDENCE

a) DCC – The formal Publication of the Sandford 2022 HATOC (Mid Devon Highways and Traffic Orders Committee) review had been issued. Comments needed to be submitted by 19th August 2022.

The HATOC proposals were “No Waiting” on specified parts of :-

- Back Lane, Sandford the north side from its junction with The Square for a distance of 8 metres in an easterly direction Road from West Lodge Cross To Rose And Crown Hill Cross.
- Sandford the west side from its junction with The Square for a distance of 17 metres in a southerly direction.
- The Square, Sandford the east side from its junction with Back Lane for a distance of 4 metres in a northerly direction

There had been confusion over the map that had accompanied the proposal.

This was not the same as the map provided to the Parish Council by James Anstee (DCC Road Safety).

The Clerk had drawn this to his attention and he had been unable to explain the confusion.

The HATOC review would be dealt with in lines as previous reviews giving Parishioners an opportunity to comment.

The Parish Council were concerned that the proposals were being termed as “Sandford Parish Council's Yellow Lines”.

This was not the case as these were the proposals put forward by James Anstee following his visit to Sandford in 2021.

The Parish Council would not be submitting any comments to the proposals..

Comment was made that the corner of Fanny's Lane and Church Street, which had been discussed with James Anstee was not mentioned.

b) DCC Highways – Notification of road closures

Elston Cross to New Buildings Cross 24th October 2022 for a maximum period of 5 days

Mill Lane 3rd October for a maximum period of 5 days.

c) Mr R Drew, from Backwell in Somerset, had sent a donation of ten pounds following on from the successful Jubilee in Celebration in remembrance of previous family memories of Sandford. The Clerk had acknowledged this donation.

d) Anne Jackson had copied in the Parish Council to an email, sent to Richard Ward, giving feedback from the first Public Meeting to discuss parking and traffic issues.

e) Mr N Silk had submitted a request for breakdown of an item of Jubilee expenditure. As the final finances had yet to be settled it was agreed to await until this was complete.

f) Mr N Silk requested information on the electorate, and previous elections, in Sandford and the Clerk was asked to forward the information requested

g) Mr S Howell – Had copied the Parish Council to his letter to MDDC Planning raising his concerns over planning issues at Weavers Way.

h) MDDC – Parish Review (2nd Consultation) – The review was now under away though no specific items for Sandford were included..

I) DALC had sent details of their AGM on 5th October 2022 at Exeter Racecourse. Cllr B Fyfe and S Haley agreed to attend and represent Sandford Parish Council.

j) St Swithun's Church gave notice of their 500th Anniversary Celebrations to take place in June 2023.

9) SANDFORD COMMUNITY SPORTS PAVILION & PLAY AREA

a) Report from play area sub committee and meeting with Sandford Tennis Club

At the Meeting Steve Mc Culloch Chairman of Sandford Tennis Club had expressed his feelings over the possibility of erecting a basket ball hoop on the court.

If this was to happen the court would be subjected to increased use which would in due course cause additional wear and tear to the court.

The court was cared for by the Tennis Club who maintained it and paid for its regular re painting.

Since the Meeting this matter had been discussed by the Play Area Sub Committee who agreed that this was correct and it had been agreed to find an alternative location for the basket ball hoop. This was agreed by the Parish Council.

Update on the Play Area new equipment including repairs, adult exercise equipment, basket ball hoop etc.

The location of the new equipment was discussed by Dave Hope and it was agreed that both the basket ball hoop and the adult exercise equipment could be located at the stream side of the field outside the play area.

Glen Padgham offered to draw up a final plan.

Dave Hope would continue his discussions with Andy (Ministry of Play) over the purchase, location, and installation of new equipment.

A further site meeting with Andy, and the Play Area sub committee , was agreed

10) RECEIVE REPORTS FROM COUNCILLORS & WORKING GROUPS

MDDC Cllr E Lloyd advised that there would be a gap between the previous and forthcoming Local Plan. In the mean time an interim report would be used.

Other issues being dealt with included Low Carbon Footprint for Social Housing and the Crediton Food Bank.

11) PLANNING - CREEDY VIEW 2

An urgent Meeting was awaited with Adrian Devereaux (MDDC Planning) to deal with several outstanding planning issues.

MDDC Cllr E Lloyd was pressing for this meeting.

Cllr G Padgman left the meeting at this point.

Cllr Stephens was in the process of setting a date for a further meeting with the Developer Justin Denno.

PLANNING

22/01445/FULL St Swithun's Church Sandford
Alterations to cobbled footpaths and erection of handrails
RECOMMEND APPROVAL

22/01493/ADVERT Creedy Bridge Crediton (Sandford)
Advertisement for the retention of 1 no illuminated sign
NO OBJECTION

22/01523/FULL Frogmire Crediton (Sandford)

Erection of 5 dwellings with associated works following demolition of existing agricultural buildings.

SITE MEETING TO BE ARRANGED

22/01653/FULL Park House Back Lane
Formation of vehicular access and formation and erection of entrance gate
SITE MEETING TO BE ARRANGED

Grants of permission

22/01352/PNAG Dowrich Farm Sandford
Prior notification for the erection of an agricultural building

22/01278/PNAG Land adjacent to Wayside Cottage West Sandford
Prior notification for the erection of an agricultural storage building

22/00800/FULL Land on road from Thornedgeds Cross to East Lodge
Erection of an extension to an agricultural building to house livestock

12) RECEIPTS AND PAYMENT

Receipts

Lloyds Bank (July 2022 Interest)	£0.13
HMRC (Vat repayment)	£4306.44
Jubilee Donations	£15.00
DCC Footpath Grant	£570.00

Payments

Mr M J Vallance Salary £475.00 Garden prize money £20.00	£495.00
Mid Devon Mobility (Jubilee bus)	£89.40
New British Design (Boundary stones)	£1800.00

Cheques Signed by Cllrs Dalton and Stoye.

13) ROADS AND FOOTPATHS – It was reported that the road at East Lodge was to be repaired as a priority.

14) BOUNDARY STONES – Four replacement boundary stones had been completed and were in the process of being installed.
It was pointed out that the granite post offered by Cllr Ford was still available for use.

15) ANY OTHER BUSINESS

a) It was noted that a fire had broken out in a property in Sandford Square and three fire appliances had attended. This had once again stressed the need for sensible parking to allow access for Emergency Vehicles.

16) Date of next Meeting 6th October 2022 (Venue for Winter Meetings to be researched by the Clerk).

There being no other business the Chairman closed the Meeting at 9.31pm

Purpose for Sandford Residents Meeting 30th August 2022

To discuss possible solutions to traffic and parking in Sandford and pass suggestions to Sandford Parish Council for possible submission to Mid Devon HATOC before November 2022

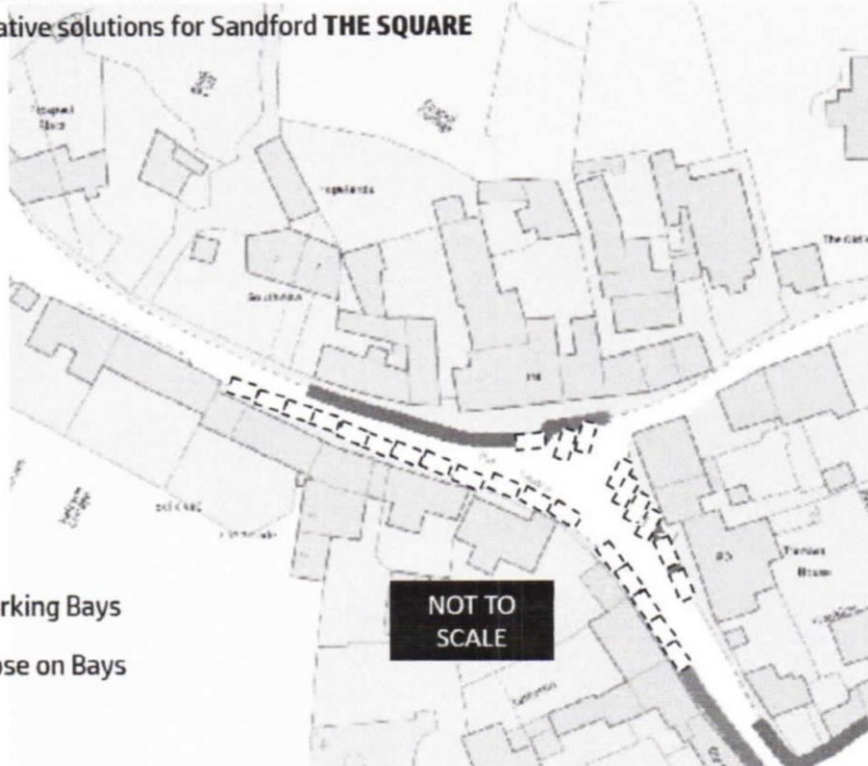
19 residents attended
% Rounded up

THE SQUARE	For idea	Against idea	No view
1. Double yellow lines (<i>see SPC proposal</i>)	0%	100%	0%
2. Marked parking bays (<i>Chagford solution for parking & create extra parking spaces</i>)	65%	12%	18%
3. Marked nose on parking bays (<i>Create extra parking</i>)	65%	18%	18%
4. Residents permits (<i>paid</i>)	12%	53%	18%
5. Street furniture/planters	71%	12%	6%
6. Do nothing leave it as it is	41%	29%	29%
<i>From session: Gather data</i>	29%	0	0
Whole Village – especially near school and nursing home	For idea	Against idea	No view
7. 20 MPH (<i>20 plenty</i>)	100%	0	0
8. Solar speed readers	41%	35%	18%
9. Awareness leaflet for whole village – <i>similar to the SPC jubilee leaflet to every household.</i>	53%	18%	24%
10. No Parking sign – top Rose & Crown Hill/Church street	76%	0	18%
11. Do nothing leave it as it is	29%	24%	6%
<i>From session More warning Signs</i>	12%	0	0
Church Street	For idea	Against idea	No view
12. Double yellow lines (<i>see SPC proposal</i>)	12%	82%	0
13. Mark the road with the width of an emergency vehicle	18%	65%	18
14. Do nothing leave it as it is	35%	35%	6%
15. Reposition Community Shop parking bay	82%	6%	0%

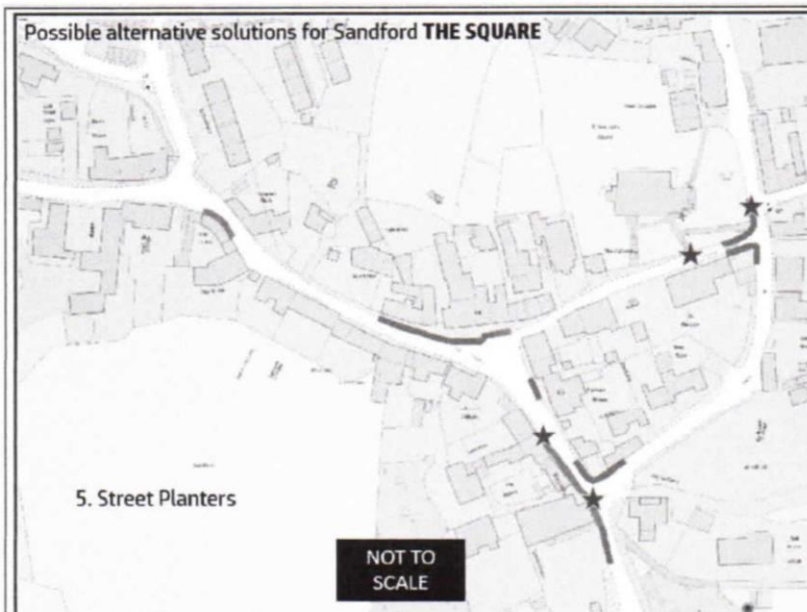
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Possible alternative solutions for Sandford THE SQUARE



- 2. Marked Parking Bays
- 3. Marked Nose on Bays



- 5. Street Planters

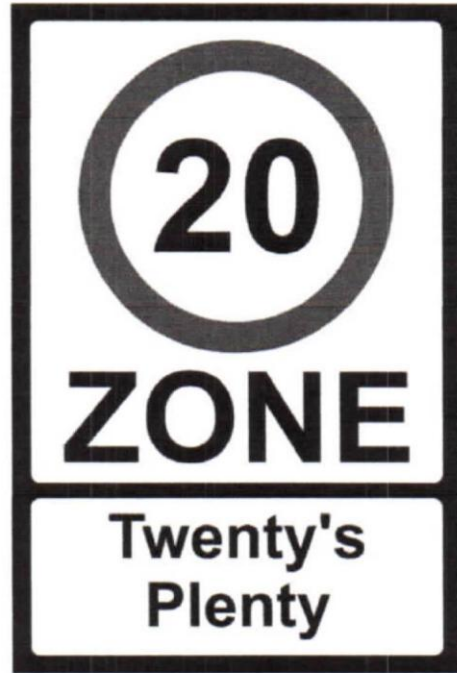


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7. 20 MPH – 20 plenty signs



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