

SANDFORD PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of a meeting held at Sandford Community Sports Pavilion on 5th JULY 2018.

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

Mrs E Dalton (Chairman)

Messrs – Snow, Unstead and Stephens (arrived during the Meeting).

DCC Cllr M Squires (arrived during the Meeting)

6 Members of the Public Mr M Vallance (Parish Clerk)

1) APOLOGIES were received from MDDC Cllr J Binks. Cllrs P Yeo, G Ford,, M Lee, R. Stoye, V. Keast, S. Miles and G Ford.

2) DECLARATIONS OF INTERESTS – None

3) OPEN FORUM

a) Five residents from Crediton were present and asked if the Parish Council had formulated their response to the “Higher Road” Crediton planning application ?

The Chairman advised that the Parish Council would formulate their comments, and submit them to MDDC Planning Department, after the Public Meeting to be held to discuss this application on 9th July 2018.

b) A Parishioner pointed out the the “Sandford School” road sign in Fanny's Lane was in need of attention as it had been “knocked” and was now pointing in the wrong direction.

The Clerk agreed to refer the matter to DCC Highways for their attention.

4) PARISH COMMENT BOOK / MATTERS REPORTED ON THE PARISH COUNCIL WEBSITE PLUS MATTERS REPORTED TO THE CLERK AND COUNCILLORS.

A entry had been made in the Parish Comment Book under the heading “Breeding Cones”.

The writer commented on the growing number of Cones outside properties, in and around Sandford Square, and pointed out that they had been placed on the Public Highway by people “..thinking they own the road”. Details were given of the properties which had placed Cones outside their properties.

The Parish Council were asked to remind Householders that the use of Cones “...are illegal, socially irresponsible, just plain selfish”.

The Clerk agreed to incorporate these comments in to the July News report.

5) The MINUTES of the Parish Council meeting held on 7th June 2018 were agreed and signed by the Chairman as a true record.

6) To report on MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

a) New Buildings call box – Cllr Unstead gave an update on the future use of the Call Box.

The cost of a Defibrillator was still under enquiry as were other suggestions for its future use. In the meantime it was agreed that the Parish Council would go ahead with the purchase of this Call box, for £1, and the Chairman signed the Agreement between the Parish Council and B.T.

Mill Lane Call Box – Discuss at next Meeting.

b) General Data Protection – It was agreed not to pursue the suggestion to ask Vision Ict Ltd to set up dedicated Email addresses for individual Parish Councillors at a cost of £18 each per year.

Instead the Chairman re-iterated previous comments on this matter made at the June 2018 Meeting - **“Do not use your personal email account for Council business you open it up to potential scrutiny for the purposes of SARS. If you have to; delete all Council documents as soon as they are printed/received”.**

c) Best Garden Contest – It was agreed this needed to be Judged in the following week and the Clerk agreed to put the Judges in contact with the Chairman to arrange a date.

c) Public Meeting to discuss - 18/00786/MFUL Land at NGR 282727 100936 Higher Road Crediton. Outline for the erection of up to 65 dwellings, public open space, ancillary works and associated infrastructure, including access (9th July 2018)

THE MEETING WAS CONFIRMED.

Site Meeting 20th June 2018 (10.30am) – The Parish Council had been represented at the Site Meeting attended by Crediton Town Councillors, members of the public, and a representative of the DCC Highway authority.

- 7) POLICE MATTERS - The Clerk had asked whether a “No Parking Cone” could be placed below the Lamb Inn Railings which had now become the “parking pinch point in the Square”. Recently someone parking below the railings had caused an obstruction when an Emergency Vehicle could not gain access. It was noted that a blue BMW regularly parked at this location and also on the Yellow Lines above the Lamb Inn. The Community Police was unable to assist with this request and the Parish Council agreed the need for “Car Park” signs to be erected.

8) REPLIES

a) Veitch Penny – All the final legal paper work had been completed and the only outstanding matter now was the Registration with the Land Registry which it was understood might “take a few months”.

THE CAR PARK NOW BELONGED TO SANDFORD PARISH COUNCIL.

The Clerk had been in touch with Lesley Smith (DALC) who confirmed that the Parish Council were eligible to re-claim the VAT (£500) on the portion of the Gorwyn Trustees legal fees that they had agreed to cover.

THE CLERK WOULD MAKE ENQUIRIES OVER CAR PARK REGULATIONS AND SIGNAGE.

CLLR STEPHENS PROPOSED A VOTE OF THANKS TO CLLR DALTON FOR ALL THE WORK SHE HAD CARRIED OUT ON THE COUNCIL'S BEHALF ON THIS PROJECT. THIS WAS UNANIMOUSLY SUPPORTED BY THE PARISH COUNCIL.

b) The Chairman of Sandford AFC had responded to a request to install Junior Goal Posts, during the Summer months, when the main goal posts were not in position *“ I totally agree that it would be good to have a temporary goal or goals set up. We put up our small goals last world cup year and even marked out a mini pitch for the local children to use.*

Unfortunately they were misused and broken up. As for our old goals we don't have them any more as they did not meet health and safety recommendations one of the reasons they have been replaced. However if parents want to take down and use their own mini soccer goals that may be a short term solution and probably the most cost effective.

THE PARISH COUNCIL AGREED TO SUPPORT THESE COMMENTS AND THE SUGGESTION MADE.

c) MDDC advised that there had been no request for an Election following the Resignation of Jake Weedon and the Casual Vacancy could now be advertised. The Clerk had put together a Poster for publication requesting “Written Expressions of Interest” by 2nd September 2018.

9) CORRESPONDENCE

a) MDDC had sent the July Parish Newsletter. This gave notice that the MDDC TAP fund had been re-vamped and was now known as the “Communities Together Fund”. It was noted that “The changes return the scheme to its original purpose of encouraging communities to work together; identifying and kick starting new ideas for their mutual benefit”.

It was envisaged that this source could be used for the refurbishment of the Play Area.

It was also pointed out the the New Buildings Church was hopefully to become a Community Building and would, in due course, be raising funds and applying for grants to achieve this.

b) MDDC Cllr J Binks had sent a copy of her July Newsletter which the Clerk had circulated.

c) DCC Cllr M Squires had sent a copy of her July Newsletter which the Clerk had circulated.

d) Kate Wadge had sent a a request for Junior Goal Posts to be installed on the Playing Field, for use by local children during the summer months, during the time when Sandford AFC took down their posts at the end of the Season.

The Clerk had referred this matter to Sandford AFC (See Minute 8b).

It was also agreed as the previous Nets, erected by Sandford AFC, had been vandalised it would not be the be a positive use of Public Money.

e) Amanda Sutherland had emailed the Clerk on a “Proposed New Development in Sandford” and a request to address the Parish Council at the 5th July Meeting.

The Clerk had responded that the request had been too late for inclusion on the July Agenda and instead had suggested the 5th September Meting.

10) SANDFORD COMMUNITY SPORTS PAVILION

It was noted that Sandford AFC had arranged for the “drains works on the field” to be carried out and these were now complete.

It was understood that the cost had been approx £2K and the Clerk was requested to obtain a copy of the Invoice and to enquire whether the VAT could be recovered.

11) PLAY AREA UPDATE – Play Area Sub Committee Meeting

Cllr Stephens proposed that members of the Sub committee be asked to convene a Meeting before the next Parish Council Meeting in September..

12) PLANNING

18/00923/FULL & 18/00924/FULL

Land at Pelistry Farm Furzeland Hill (two locations)

Erection of agricultural buildings for free range poultry

18/00642/CLP Certificate of Lawful Use for a proposed Use of Development
“Valley View” Sandford” - Erection of a temporary sail shade in accordance with
submitted plans/drawings.

Grant of Planning permission

18/00507/LBC Lower Shoplands New Buildings

Listed Building Consent for the conversion of barn to dwelling

18/00733/HOUSE Rocks Court Sandford

Erection of first floor extension and garage extension

13) RECEIVE REPORTS FROM COUNCILLORS & SUB COMMITTEES

Cllr Unstead reported that the New Buildings “Airband” Broadband installation was “about
to happen”.

14) RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS

Receipts

Lloyd's Bank (Interest June 2018) £0.54

Payments

Cheque Signed mid month

Veitch Penny (Final settlement for legal work on Creedy View Car Park) £706.00

Mr M Vallance Salary £449.00, Use of Home as Office £54

Holiday Pay £580.16 Postage £8.22 Ink cartridges £82.52 Stationery £18.98

£1192.88

2nd August 2018

Mr M Vallance Salary for August 2018

(as the Parish Council do not meet in August)

£449.00

Cheques signed by Cllrs Snow and Stephens

15) ROADS AND FOOTPATHS – No new matters reported.

16) ANY OTHER BUSINESS

a)The Clerk reported that the External Auditor had requested further information on the 2017/2018
financial year.

b) It was agreed to advise the Grass Contractor that the grass in the Play Area was in need of cutting
also the area under the fence was in need of strimming.

17) Date of next Meeting 6th September 2018 at Sandford Community Sports Pavilion

(9th August 2018 -Planning Meeting if needed at Sandford Community Sports Pavilion)

There being no other business the Chairman closed the Meeting at 8.40pm.