

**Minutes of the ExtraOrdinary Meeting of Somercotes Parish Council held on
Friday 11th August 2023 at 6.30pm in the Village Hall, Nottingham Road,
Somercotes**

Present: Cllr Addison-Lees, Cllr M Barron, Cllr P Curran-Bilbie, Cllr K Judson, Cllr J McCabe (Chair), Cllr E Sherman, Cllr J Parker, Cllr P Slater, Cllr P Wardle, Cllr J Walker, Cllr S Tomlinson, Catherine Hedley (Clerk), Kimberley Walker (Asst Clerk/RFO)

Members of the Public = 12

53/2023.24: Apologies for absence: Cllr J Walker

54/2023.24: Social Media: None present – The clerk informed the meeting that it was being recorded for minute taking purposes.

55/2023.24: Variation of Order of Business - None

56/2023.24: (i) Declaration of Members Interests

Cllr K Judson – Member of Somercotes Against Development - Items 60/2023.24 & 61/2023

Cllr J Parker – Member of Somercotes Against Development - Items 60/2023.24 & 61/2023.24

57/2023.24: Councillors' Request for dispensation – None received

58/2023.24: Public Speaking – (30 Minutes)

Members of the public expressed their concerns regarding the following issues from the Stanley Street development:

- Noise on the site generally and that arising outside permitted hours.
- Vibration issues
- Dirt and dust on the road
- Lorry engines idling whilst waiting for the site to open.
- Inaction on enforcement issues from AVBC
- Non compliance of pre development conditions on site and reported health issues.

There were also queries on what AVBC borough councillors were doing about the issues raised.

Cllr McCabe informed residents that officers from AVBC had been informed and were monitoring the situation. He explained the different agencies involved in dealing with the issues. Cllr Sherman read out an extract from correspondence received from the UKHSA dated 10/8/23 stating its position on the health issues referred above. Cllr McCabe informed the meeting that AVBC were commissioning an independent expert to review the scientific findings.

59/2023.24:

(a) Cllr Tomlinson requested that the meeting be placed into seclusion as he had a statement to read. Councillor McCabe refused this request. Cllr Tomlinson then proceeded to read out a pre-prepared statement. The statement made a number of allegations against Cllr McCabe and asked for a Vote of No Confidence in him

(b) Following this statement, a member of the public began to voice her opinion and was told that the public participation session had expired and she was no longer allowed to speak. The person refused to stop and the chair was advised to suspend the meeting.

(c) Meeting suspended 19.10 and resumed at 19.16.

60/2023.24: To define SPC role in Planning matters – Council **RESOLVED** to accept the guidance contained in the briefing document and convene a planning sub-committee to consider future development proposals where appropriate.

61/2023.24: Stanley Street Development – Previously discussed at public participation

62/2023.24: Date of Next Meeting: Ordinary Parish Council meeting on Wednesday 13th September 2023