

SOMERCOTES PARISH COUNCIL

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Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of Somercotes Parish Council held at 6:30pm on Friday 20th January 2017 in the Village Hall, Nottingham Road, Somercotes.

Present: Cllr P Smith (Chairman); Cllr B Lyttle (V. Chairman); Cllr S McCabe; Cllr J McCabe; Cllr C Addison-Lees; Cllr M Barron; Cllr P Curran-Bilbie; Cllr G Edgson; Cllr J Middleton; Cllr J Parker; Cllr P Price; Cllr S Walker

The Chairman welcomed all to the first Meeting of 2017 and wished everyone a Happy New Year.

1/2017: To receive apologies for absence: Cllr T Cole: apologies accepted

2/2017: Social Media:

The Council welcomes the use of social media, filming and recording at meetings, provided they do not disrupt or otherwise have an adverse affect on the meeting. Telephones and other such devices should be switched to silent mode or switched off completely.

3/2017: Variation of Order of Business. None

4/2017: (i) Declaration of Members Interests

Cllr C Addison –Lees – any matters pertaining to Birchwood Lane Allotments – Remain in the Meeting
Cllr B Lyttle – All Planning Matters – Remain in the Meeting.

(ii) **Register of Members Interest:** As a matter of good governance and best practice, members are reminded that they have a duty to keep their registration forms up to date annually or as and when changes to any of their registered interests occur.

For Information of all Councillors

5/2017: To consider any Councillors' Request for dispensation. None

6/2017: Public Speaking – (30 Minutes)

(a) Joshua Smith Derbyshire Sports Scene advised the Council of the range of sessions available in Alfreton and future plans for progression of the facilities. To date there are 15 participants from Somercotes area participating in more than one session.

S137 Grant Application considered by the Council at Agenda Item: 10/2017(c)

(b) Clerk advised by PCSO Plant that there will be no future Police representation at Parish Council Meetings due to resources. This has not been notified in writing. Email received from a neighbouring PC stating that SNT's had withdrawn from their PC Meetings and asking if we had similar experience.

Clerk to write to PCC regarding the matter and clarification.

(c) County Council

Due to cutbacks engineers have been reduced resulting in reduction in dealing with street lighting outages. Issues with Pye Bridge lighting awaiting Western Power. Programme of upgrading to LED lighting.

Proposal to increase Council tax by 4%.

Introducing Traffic Regulation Orders Jcts Quarry Rd/Brenden Ave and Bank St.

Removing Traffic Regulation Order on Wimsey Way. some Traffic y 4% e ac

Funding for projects: Medical Centre Community Café; Somerlea Centre Super Kitchen; Birchwood Methodist Church new kitchen.

(d) Borough Council

Closing of Town Centre Offices is likely to go ahead.

Aldi development proposal has been granted.

Bowns Yard development of 4 Apartments has been granted.

Rugby Club proposal is now at appeal stage.

Cllr J McCabe advised Members that he is recovering well from recent surgery and his prognosis is good.

7/2017: To approve the Minutes of the Council Meeting held on:

The Ordinary Parish Council Meeting held on 11th November 2016.

The **Council RESOLVED** to accept the Minutes as a true record

8/2017: To determine which items if any from the Agenda should be taken with the public excluded. None

9/2017: Report of the Clerk:

(a) Village Hall:

(i) Fire Alarm System

The **Council RESOLVED** to accept the recommendation from Chubb to upgrade the Fire Alarm Panel.

(b) Feature Garden

Work to commence 31st Jaunuary 2017. Notices up in Car park and letter sent to nearby residents.

Clerk to Liaise with Groundworks and Cllrs to set up photo shoot at site before work commences.

(c) Allotments

Birchwood Lane – as per Council Meeting March 16 decision to put in place Fixed Term Tenancy Agreements at all sites without the requirement for yearly signatures. Now Sent to Bridle Lane and Sleetmoor lane Associations..

For information of the Council

(d) Car Parks:

(i) Mill Yard

The **Council RESOLVED** to accept the quote from Joe Brown Contractors Ltd for patching and re lining.

(e) Parked Vehicles Causing Obstruction

(i) Dog and Doublet

Response from DCC.

Members noted

(ii) Somercotes Hill

Response from Police.

Clerk to write to SNT Sgt regarding response received.

(f) Seating Bench at Pye Bridge Recreation Ground

Response received from AVBC. Bench to be installed.

Members noted

(g) Christmas Carol Concert:

Chairman commented on how well attended the service was. Good comments have been received from attendees.

Collection received raised £294.00 and paid to Air Ambulance Derbyshire/Leicestershire/Rutland.

Members noted

(h) Draft Complaints Policy and Draft Policy for Dealing with Habitual and/or Vexatious Complaints for Approval:

The **Council RESOLVED** to approve both Policies

10/2017: Finance:

(a) Accounts

(i)	Accounts for Payment between 01.10.16 to 31.12.16	£38,744.11
	Accounts approved 11 th November 2016 – App A)	
(ii)	Income 01.10.16 to 31.12.16	£ 6453.84
	Interest	£ 2.04
(iii)	Petty Cash Payments 01.10.16 to 31.12.16	£ 236.33
(iv)	Bank Reconciliations for Oct/Nov/Dec for Approval	
(v)	Bar Bank Reconciliation for Oct/Nov/Dec for Approval	
(vi)	Budget Monitoring Report to 31.12.16	

The **Council RESOLVED** to approve items (i) to (vi)

(b) Precept 2017-18

The **Council Resolved** to increase precept by 1.5% to meet budget requirements for 2017/18.

(c) S 137 Grant Application

The **Council RESOLVED** to award £250 to the applicant.

Clerk to write to applicant regarding uses of facilities at Somerlea Centre

11/2017: Lest we Forget Book:

11 Books purchased and distributed.

Members noted

12/2017: DCC Funding

Considered recreational facilities at Pye Bridge. Facilities not sufficient for older children. Possibility to install MUGA or re vamp existing equipment.

Cllr Smith requesting funding from DCC Community Safety fund. Council to considered pledging a contribution to be determined when budget figures for the scheme are known. The **Council RESOLVED** to make a financial contribution to be determined when the budget figures for the scheme are known.

13/2017: To consider planning applications:

Planning Matters AVBC All Non determined to 11/01/2017

2012/0778 Black Horse Inn, 358 Lower Somercotes, Alfreton
Outline application for residential development for land at the Black Horse with access off Cinder Rd and to include demolition of the Black Horse PH
Applicant: Mr Daniel Lane, The George & Dragon, High St, Clay Cross, Chesterfield
Decision date: 05/12/12

2016/0701 Land Off Birchwood Way, Somercotes, Alfreton
New Industrial Unit (B2/B8) providing a GFA 5000 sq mtrs, 47.6 mtr high production tower, car parking and service roads
Applicant: Larsen Manufacturing Ltd, 4 Westbank Road, Belfast
Decision date: 31/01/2017

2016/0858 Land West of Nottingham Road, Somercotes
Development for: Foodstore; and three non-food retails units; public house; drive thru food and drink outlet; associated parking spaces
Applicant: Peveril Securities c/o Agent
Decision date: 06/02/17

2016/1299 48 Quarry Rd, Somercotes
Extension to Beauty Salon and the removal of planning restriction relating to the operations being undertaken by the applicant.
Applicant: Miss K Rhodes, 48 Quarry Rd, Smercotes
Decision date: 6/02/17

2016/1333 3 Douglas Rd, Somercotes, Alfreton
Proposed 2 storey extension
Applicant: Mr R Walker, 3 Douglas Rd, Somercotes
Decision date: 13/02/17

The **Council RESOLVED** not to make any comment on Planning Applications

Planning Matters Determined AVBC (02/11/2016 to 11/01/2017)

2014/0804 SHLAA Land Off, Lower Somercotes, Somercotes

Residential Development for up to 200 dwellings including landscaping, open space and storm water balancing. This is a departure to the Development Plan

Refused

2015/0113 Owen Taylors Butchers, 27 main Rd, Leabrooks, Alfreton

Proposed residential redevelopment for up to 18 dwellings following demolition and site clearance

Permitted

2016/0985 17 Bank Street, Somercotes, Alfreton

Two story and single extension and detached motor cycle garage and home workshop

Permitted

2016/1010 McDonalds Restaurants Ltd, Hockley Way, Alfreton

Installation of 1 No new banner sign

Permitted

2016/1026 Tackle Box, 323 Somercotes Hill, Somercotes, Alfreton

Proposed change of use from A1 (retail) to dog grooming parlour (Sui Generis)

Permitted

2016/1081 Crossfire Cars, Birchwood Lane, Somercotes

Change of use from car sales to car wash

Refused

2016/1024 1 Brenden Close, Somercotes

Conservatory to the front of bungalow

Permitted

2016/1218 1 Brenden Close, Somercotes

Non material amendment to AVA/2016/1024

Permitted

2016/1072 BASF polyurethanes UK Ltd, Wimsey Way, Somercotes

Bi-folding gates, pedestrian turnstile, wheelchair access and palisade fence

Permitted

2015/0505 Land East of Birchwood Farm, Cockshutt Lane, Somercotes, Alfreton

Erection of Livestock Building (resubmission of 2014/0950)

Refused

2015/0507 Land East of Birchwood Farm, Cockshutt Lane, Somercotes

Erection of livestock building (resubmission of scheme 2014/0949)

Refused

2016/1053 Rapier Press, Bowns Yard, Somercotes

Conversion of Rapier Press to Four Residential Apartments

Permitted

2016/1083 Crossfire Cars, Birchwood Lane, Somercotes

New fences and gates to north and east boundaries

Permitted

2016/1130 Land adjoining The Lodge, Lower Somercotes, Alfreton

Two Storey Detached Dwelling (This proposal is not in accordance with the provisions of the Adopted AVBC Local Plan)

Withdrawn

2016/1187 SEARCHPRT LTD, Sleetmoor Lane, Somercotes

Non material amendment to AVA 2016/0327

Permitted

The **Council RESOLVED** not to make any comment on Planning Matters Determined

14/2017: Derbyshire Association of Local Councils:

(a) **General Circulars:**

16/2016: New Chief Officer; Annual Exec Mtg & AGM; National Minimum Wage Increase; PCC Funding; Bright Ideas Fund; Neighbourhood Planning; Grants for Green Spaces; Training; Vacancies

17/2016: 2016-18 National Salary Award; Derbys Alert Community Messaging System; HR for Busy Councils; Update DCC Parish & Town Council Liaison Forum; Responsive Bus Service for rural residents; Updated Legal Topic Notes; NALC opposes Council Tax Referendum Principles

18/2016: Internal Audit Checklist; Employment future for Town & Parish Councils; Stoney Middleton PC – Survey

19/2016: Proposal for Public Service Ombudsman; Exteranal Audit changes; The Big Conservation; Neighbourhood Planning Bill; The Future of Assets in the Community; Council Spotlight Award; Funding Opportunity; Training 2017/18

Members noted

CONFIDENTIAL INFORMATION

15/2017: To move the following resolution - “That in view of the confidential nature of the business about to be transacted it is advisable in the public interest, that the press and public be temporarily excluded and they are instructed to withdraw.”

(a) Staff Matters:

(i) Living Wage:

After consideration of the Clerk’s Report

The **Council RESOLVED** to pay the Living Wage rate to staff from November 2016

(b) Councillor Matters: None

16/2017: Date of next Parish Council Meeting: Friday 6.30pm 17th March 2017