

## SOMERCOTES PARISH COUNCIL

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### **Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of Somercotes Parish Council held at 6:30 pm on Friday 17<sup>th</sup> March 2017 in the Village Hall, Nottingham Road, Somercotes**

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

**17/2017: To receive apologies for absence:** Cllr M Barron; Cllr J Parker- Apologies Accepted  
Not Present: Cllr T Cole; Cllr J Middleton

**18/2017: 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.

**19/2017: Variation of Order of Business.** None

**20/2017: (i) Declaration of Members Interests**

Cllr P Smith – 27/2017 (c) (d) – Leave the Meeting

Cllr J McCabe – 27/2017 (c) (d) – Leave the Meeting

Cllr C Addison-Lees – any matters relating to BLAA – 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**

**21/2017: To consider any Councillors' Request for dispensation.** None

**22/2017: Public Speaking – (30 Minutes)**

- (a) Mr D Bradley: Raised objection to Planning application AVA/ 2017/0211 – increase in traffic on Birchwood Lane; single access onto site; structure of bridge will not withstand increase in heavy traffic; mini-island not suitable location.  
Mr T Walker: Past applications for industrial site included a buffer zone between site and residential homes. The current proposal includes a buffer zone which is reduced to a line of trees.  
Mr P Smith: Regarding planting of trees, is there conditions regarding how far away from existing buildings they may be planted? Power lines over the field are they to be buried?

Mr R Ward: An archaeological report commissioned by Clowes for previous application for industrial units identified a risk of contamination; the current application identifies a pond which is in the area of the contamination risk, needs thorough investigation; the proposal includes apartments up to edge with car parking behind – flood risk; clarification required on distance required between wind turbine and residential homes.

Ms K Judson: Concerns regarding single access in and out; the local riding school – concerns regarding road safety for riders on Birchwood Lane with increase in traffic.

Cllr P Smith advised that any issues raised that have not already been raised by the Council members will be included in the letter of objection sent by the Council. DCC Highways have not yet raised any comments.

- (b) Ms K Judson: Regarding Planning Application Appeal AVA/2014/0804 has applied for Rule 6 status; no date as yet for determination; appeal held by written representation.

**23/2017: To approve the Minutes of the Council Meeting held on:**

The Ordinary Parish Council Meeting held on 20<sup>th</sup> January 2017

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

**24/2017: To determine which items if any from the Agenda should be taken with the public excluded. None**

**25/2017: AVBC Draft Local Plan:**

Public Consultation information received from AVBC on 17<sup>th</sup> March. Events being held from Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> March to Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> April.

**Clerk to post the document to Council website**

**26/2017: Report of the Clerk:**

**(a)Village Hall:** Following recent tender submission to DCC for a contract for the provision of External Venue Hire. The framework will be open to the following Authorities to call off from for a period of 4 years:

Bolsover District Council

Chesterfield Borough Council

North East Derbyshire District Council

Erewash borough Council

Chesterfield Royal Hospital

Derbyshire Fire and Rescue Service

Derbyshire Constabulary

The Council has been accepted as one of the successful bidders.

**Members Noted**

**(b)Feature Garden:**

(i) Acanthus Stone have offered to contribute one or two items to the Garden.

The **Council RESOLVED** to request a custom made top for stone lecturn and a Somercotes Parish Council date of garden opening sign.

(ii) Information is to be included in the Interpretation Board: history of textile, mining, iron works; women employed in works historically.

(iii) Security Camera: **Clerk to get quote for a camera to be building mounted.**

**(c) Allotments:**

Birchwood Lane – work commenced on eco-toilets.

**Members Noted**

**(d) Car Parks**

(i) Mill Yard: Works now completed in Car Park. 3 bays reclaimed and two reserved for Archway Interiors parking. Re lined and patched.

**Members Noted**

**(e) Christmas Lights Display**

(i) Programme for upgrade of lights

**Council RESOLVED to agree in principle.**

**Clerk to arrange meeting with Cllr S McCabe to develop a proposal**

**(f) Christmas Carol Concert:**

Acknowledgement of donation from Air Ambulance.

**Members Noted**

**27/2017: Finance:**

**(a) Accounts**

(i)	Accounts for Payment between 01.01.17 to 28.02.17	£52,479.15
	Accounts approved 20 <sup>th</sup> January 2017– App A)	
(ii)	Income 01.01.17 to 31.01.17	£ 1955.38
	Interest	£ 0.68
(iii)	Petty Cash Payments 01.01.17 to 28.02.17	£ 78.00
(iv)	Bank Reconciliations for Jan17 for Approval	
(v)	Bar Bank Reconciliation for Jan17 Approval	
(vi)	Budget Monitoring Report to 31.01.17	

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

**(b) DALC Subscriptions 2017/18**

Basic Annual Subscription £740.13

Enhanced Subscription £920.13

The **Council RESOLVED** to approve the basic Annual Subscription

**(c) Somerlea Park Centre**

Request for financial assistance for specific purpose (LGA 1972 s144 Power to encourage visitors and provide conference and other facilities)

The **Council RESOLVED** to defer the matter to the next Meeting

**Clerk to request breakdown of additional costs**

**(d) S 137 Grant Application**

3 x Applications considered.

The **Council RESOLVED**

to defer the application from Somerlea Park Centre to the next Meeting

Award £200 to St Thomas Church

Award £200 to ‘Somercotes Against Development’

**(e) Appointment of Internal Auditor**

The **Council RESOLVED** to appoint Jo Taylor as Internal Auditor for 2016/17 Audit

**28/2017: Safer Neighbourhoods**

(i) **Speed Checks:** figures from CREST and Laser Gun checks

**Clerk to write to DCC regarding the figures recorded for Pye Bridge and Somercotes Hill**

**(ii) 101 Response times improvements :**  
**For Council Information**

**(iii) Parked vehicles on Somercotes Hill:** Responses from SNT Sgt. regarding  
**Members Noted**

**(iv) Withdrawal of SNT representatives at Council Meetings**  
Clerk written to PCC. Correspondence received from Section Inspector and PCC.  
**Members Noted**

**29/2017: Riddings Park Litter Bin:** Cllr G Edgson request a Litter Bin be sited at the bottom end of the park onto Parkside. Cllr J McCabe advised that AVBC have approved the bin.

**Members Noted**

**30/2017: To consider planning applications:**

**2014/0804** Amber Valley Rugby Club, Lower Somercotes  
Residential development for up to 200 dwellings including landscaping, open space, and storm water balancing.  
Applicant : Carter Construction (Derby) Ltd, c/o Pegasus Group, Lockington, Derbyshire  
Appeal

**Planning Matters AVBC All Non determined to 08/03/2017**

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

2017/0086 Land adjoining The Lodge, Lower Somercotes, Alfreton  
Detached Dwelling (This proposal is not in accordance with the provisions of the adopted AVBC Local Plan)  
Applicant: Mr C F Healey, 11 Percy St, Eastwood, Notts  
Decision date: 22/03/17

2017/0195 John Davidson Pipes, Cotes Park Lane, Somercotes  
Warehouse extension to create a Trade Counter and Office Space  
Applicant: Mr T Hill, John Davidson Pipes, Cotes Park Lane, somercotes  
Decision date: 25/04/17

2017/0211  
Land at Birchwood lane, Somercotes, Alfreton  
Development of up to 210 dwellings and 0.8 hectares of B1/B2/B8 employment land, including open space, landscaping and surface water balancing  
Applicant: Mr A Bock, Clowes Developments (UK) Ltd, Brailsford Hall, Brailsford, Derbys  
Decision date: 25/05/17

The **Council RESOLVED** to make objection on Planning Application AVA/2017/0211

**Planning Matters Determined AVBC (11/01/17 to 08/03/17**

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

**Permitted**

2016/1299 48 Quarry Rd, Somercotes  
Extension to Beauty Salnon and the removal of planning restriction relating to the operations being undertaken by the applicant.

**Permitted**

2017/0029 17 Bank St, Somercotes  
Non material amendment to 2016/0985 to change the specified bricks to rendered walls to match existing dwelling

**Permitted**

2016/1333 3 Douglas Rd, Somercotes, Alfreton  
Proposed 2 storey extension

**Refused**

2017/0197 DCC Somercotes Infant School  
Construction of staff/meeting room CD6/0217/96

**Comment made**

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

**Permitted**

2017/0074 Haulage, Wimsey Way, Somercotes  
Erection of various illuminated and non-illuminated signage

**Permitted**

2017/0084 158 Birchwood Lane, Somercotes, Alfreton  
Two storey side extension

**Permitted**

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

**31/2017: Derbyshire Association of Local Councils:**

(a) **General Circulars:**

**01/2017:** Index of Important Elements of 2016 Circulars

**02/2017:** Subscription Charges; Transparency Code for Smaller Councils; Small Authorities' Audit Appointments; HR Matters; Grants; Training- How Elected Members Can Improve the Health of their Communities

**Members Noted**

**CONFIDENTIAL INFORMATION**

**32/2017: 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) Update on Staff Matters

**33/2017: Date of Annual Parish Council Meeting: Friday 7:00pm 19<sup>th</sup> May 2017  
Annual Parish Meeting: Friday 6:30pm 19<sup>th</sup> May 2017**

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