

SOMERCOTES PARISH COUNCIL

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Minutes of the Meeting of Somercotes Parish Council held at 6.30pm on Friday 20th November 2020 via ZOOM.

Present: Cllr P Smith, Cllr Addison-Lees, Cllr P Curran-Bilbie, Cllr P Wardle, Cllr J Parker, Cllr J McCabe (Chair), Cllr S McCabe, Cllr K Judson, Cllr Barron, Cllr S Walker, Catherine Hedley (Clerk), John Richardson (Asst Clerk/RFO).

84/2020: Apologies for absence: Cllr Bonsall and Cllr Slater

85/2020: Variation of Order of Business. – To consider the Guides correspondence regarding Carol Service arrangements at Item 102/2020

86 /2020: Declaration of Members Interests:

Cllr J McCabe – Item 96/2020 – Phoenix Bowls Club Grant Request
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87/2020: Public Speaking – No members of the public were present

- (a) Cllr Smith reported that progress was being made on preventing nuisance vehicles on the precinct at the top of Somercotes and a barrier would be installed. The Youth Centre was no longer open and the building was being demolished. Pre school meal vouchers would no longer be provided. The issues surrounding footpaths at Smotherfly were being worked on by the Rights of Way Team and the Planning department. There was a possibility that yellow lines would be introduced at the bottleneck on Birchwood Lane. Under review. There was a possibility that road marking maintenance would be introduced. Cllr Smith commented on the weed growth in the parish.
- (b) Cllr J McCabe reported that Business Grants from AVBC would be available from Thursday 26th November. He commented on vehicles parking on the pavement on Somercotes Hill.

88/2020: The Minutes of the Ordinary Parish Council Meeting held on 18th September were approved

89/2020: Allotments:

The Council **RESOLVED** that:

- (a) A letter be sent to all Allotment Associations regarding bonfires

- (b) That a new scheme for the Jim Spibey Competition be submitted to the next meeting for consideration
- (c) That £1000 for tree purchases be made available in the budget for 2021/22.

90/2020: Updates:

The Council **RESOLVED** that:

- (a) The Village sign for Leabrooks be sited near Sherwood Street
- (b) Additional quotes be sought for the refurbishment of Drunken Close Stables
- (c) A condition report from Shelter Maintenance be obtained and a refurbishment programme be devised.

91/2020: Somercotes Recreational Ground Lights

The Council **RESOLVED** that enquiries be made to investigate the possibility of providing additional lights

92/2020: S137 Requests

The Council **RESOLVED** that

- (a) Phoenix Bowls Club be granted £400
- (b) That St Thomas's Church request was refused.

93/2020: Benches at Pye Bridge

The Council **RESOLVED** that the bench outside the Dog & Doublet be removed and resited

94/2020: Double Yellow Lines – Birchwood Lane

The Council **NOTED** the information.

95/2020: Speedwatch & Noisy vehicles

The Council **RESOLVED** that the Clerk request an update on the Speedwatch scheme and information on police action regarding noisy vehicles

96/2020: Finance:

(a) Accounts

(i) Accounts for Payment between 3.8.20 to 29.9.20	£30,123.66
Income 3.8.20 to 29.9.20	£ 80, 257.50
Interest	£ 1.96
(ii) Petty Cash Payments	£ 0
(iii) Bank Reconciliations for August 20 and September 20	
(iv) Total Bank Balances & Cash in Hand at 29.9.20	£215,374.29

The Council **APPROVED** the above payments

97/2020 Planning

Council **NOTED** the planning applications

98/2020: Correspondence

- (a) Council **NOTED** the DALC Newsletter of September, October and November 2020
- (b) Council agreed that further information be sought from the Girl Guides regarding the Carol Service

99/2020: CONFIDENTIAL INFORMATION

Drunken Close Stables – The Council **RESOLVED** that the tenants request be refused.

100/2020: Date of next meeting: Friday 15th January 2021 at 6.30pm - venue to be confirmed.

The meeting closed at 8pm