

SOMERCOTES PARISH COUNCIL

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Minutes of the Meeting of Somercotes Parish Council held at 6.30pm on Friday 15th January 2021 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 Walker, Cllr Bonsall, Cllr Barron, Catherine Hedley (Clerk), John Richardson (Asst Clerk/RFO).

1/2021: Apologies for absence: Cllr S McCabe, Cllr K Judson

2/2021: Variation of Order of Business – To consider late item – Mill Lane Carpark with Agenda Item 8/2021.

3/2021: Declaration of Members Interests - None

4/2021: Public Speaking:

(a) The Clerk read out an email received from the police:

- Last year residents on Somercotes Hill were spoken to and leafleted regarding parking on the pavements.
- The Police will be speaking to Highways about repainting the solid white line system into Pye Bridge
- The anti-social use of the Car Park at the business park on Nottingham Road (The Range/Aldi) is being addressed. The police liaised with AVBC regarding this and they have been in contact with the land owners. They have intimated that they will erect barrier gates and the Council are in the process of chasing progress. The police are able to issue warnings to drivers who are using the car park in an antisocial way and have done so in the past. It is important, if people are contacting the police, that they have vehicle details and can give us evidence of the manner of driving.
- The Police are happy to educate vehicle owners in the first instance regarding the use of their vehicle so please give my details and they can contact PC Shurki to progress any worries.

(b) Derbyshire County Council – Cllr Smith:

- Likely that a meal vouchers scheme for schoolchildren would be adopted.
- A Test & Trace facility was scheduled for Cotes Park Industrial Estate
- The HWRC at Loscoe and libraries were operating a click and collect system.
- Fly tipping was becoming a real problem during pandemic.

- Review Christmas Lighting arrangements for 2021/22, particularly those in the trees.
- Guidance around local elections was still being sought.
- The Quarry Road line marking will be done in financial year 2021/22.

AVBC - Cllr J McCabe

- Business grants were now available.
- Bigger litter bins had been installed in the parish
- New waste collection vehicle now in operation and new recycling vehicle would be used from March

5/2021: The Minutes of the Ordinary Parish Council Meetings held on 20th November 2020 were approved subject to an amendment in the attendance list to include Cllr S Walker.

6/2021: Allotments: - The Council RESOLVED to adopt the revised Jim Spibey competition rules.

7/2021: Updates: The Clerk updated Council:

- Village Signs – Contact had been made by DCC who stated that the relevant licensing correspondence would be forwarded.
- Drunken Close Stables – Another contractor had been identified and a meeting was being arranged.
- Bus Shelter Maintenance – The bus shelter that was being replaced outside the Post Office had been delayed due to Covid demands.

The Council RESOLVED that:

- (a) **A further request for a new replacement bus shelter be made to DCC for financial year 21/22.**

8/2021: Meeting dates 2021/22 – The Council AGREED the meeting dates for 2021/22 as outlined in the supporting document

9/2021: Solar Lighting – The Council AGREED that further research be done in solar lighting to determine whether it was possible to limit the hours of operation and any subsequent reduced costs.

10/2021: Keep Somercotes Tidy Competition

The Council RESOLVED that the two entries share the first and second prizes and that the images be used on appropriate material/media.

11/2021: Finance: The Council AGREED the following payments

(a) Accounts

(i) Accounts for Payment between 1.10.20 to 27.11.20	£ 19,722.11
Income 1.10.20 to 27.11.20	£ 4,263.59
Interest	£ 1.96
(ii) Petty Cash Payments	£ 140.00
(iii) Bank Reconciliations for October 20 and November 20	
(iv) Total Bank Balances & Cash in Hand at 30.11.20	£199,775.77

12/2021: Precept 2021/22

The Council AGREED an increase in the precept for 21/22 of 1.5% to £156,560.

**13/2021 Planning – The Council had no comments on Applications
AVA/2020/1092 & AVA/2020/1098**

14/2021: Correspondence

(a) DALC Newsletters - December 2020 – No comments

(b) NALC Funding Bulletin - The Council AGREED that the clerk send this information to the community groups who received S137 grants and display on Councils online media sites

15/2021 The meeting ended at 7.20pm