

SANDIACRE PARISH COUNCIL

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Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on Tuesday, 4 December 2018 at 7.40pm in the Memorial Institute, 19a Doncaster Avenue, Sandiacre, Derbyshire NG10 5FJ

PRESENT:

	Cllr W Major	(Chairman)
	Cllr Ms C Bilbie	
	Cllr Mrs L Bilbie	
	Cllr S Bilbie	(Vice-Chairman)
	Cllr Mrs S Dickman	
A	Cllr G Dinsdale	
	Cllr Mrs C French	
A	Cllr A Hardy	
A	Cllr R Harris	
A	Cllr T Pearson	
A	Cllr Mrs C Powers	
A	Cllr T Sanghera	
	Cllr Mrs K Stewart	
	Cllr R Stewart	

IN ATTENDANCE: Mrs M Bloor - Clerk to the Council

MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC: 19 residents – Part meeting

The Chairman welcomed everyone to the meeting and thanked residents for attending to meet with a Police Officer to voice concerns over ongoing incidents of anti-social behaviour and youths gathering on Doncaster Avenue Recreation Ground.

It was noted that PCSO Boyer had arrived, but was delayed due to dealing with an urgent incident on the park involving youths who had set light to the contents of a litter bin.

137. APOLOGIES AND APPROVAL OF ABSENCES

Councillor	Reason for absence
A Hardy	Convalescence
T Pearson	Expected late arrival due to travelling: M1 congestion
C Powers	Holiday
T Sanghera	Work commitment

RESOLVED: to approve the apologies for absence received

138. TO RECEIVE DECLARATIONS OF INTERESTS

There were no declarations of interest.

139. TO CONSIDER REQUESTS FOR DISPENSATIONS

There were no written applications or requests for dispensation from a Member who had a Disclosable Pecuniary Interest (DPI) or Other Disclosable Interest (ODI) to allow them to stay in the meeting and vote during consideration of the relevant item.

140. VARIATION OF ORDER OF BUSINESS

In order to offer residents an opportunity to speak on important community issues throughout the meeting, the Public Session was varied at times.

141. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION SESSION

PSCO Boyer joined the meeting.

The Public Session was extended to allow sufficient time for residents and Councillors to raise questions with PCSO Boyer:

The following matters were raised:

- There was growing concern within the community over the number of incidents involving gangs of youths in the area that resulted in the public experiencing anti-social behaviour and noise and disturbance around their properties.
- People were feeling vulnerable and apprehensive and there seemed to be a limited police presence, which did not always deliver a rapid response to 999 calls when incidents were taking place. In addition, youths did not seem concerned by a police presence and were seen to take advantage of the situation.
- Youths were congregating in large numbers, creating disturbance and causing nuisance and there were incidents of criminal damage to property, especially around the St Giles' Park area.
- If the police visited an area, it was usually with high visibility patrols and gangs would disperse and later return, especially when using bikes.
- Examples were given of assaults taking place on individuals and how people felt unsafe and they risked becoming a target, especially when shutting premises late at night.
- Youths started to gather between 5pm and 8pm, but police cars were seen to patrol later at night when gangs were not in the vicinity.

PCSO Boyer confirmed that the police were seeking to bring down calls for service and were doing everything possible to respond to incidents and listen to concerns.

Some of those involved had been identified and parents and schools had been informed and the police would visit schools to highlight the problem and deter further ASB. It was noted that the ages of those involved ranged from 10 to 18.

As youths generally congregated near the library, the library service had been advised to improve security to their roof and turn off free Wi-Fi after 5pm. There was a CCTV camera in close proximity, which when manned and with clear visibility, could focus on individuals and identify them. Youth Services visited the park each Friday evening.

PCSO Boyer explained Section 34 Dispersal Orders and how the legal process had to be followed to move-on individuals (over the age of 10). It was only a criminal offence if someone breached an Order. The 'stop and search' policy only applied if there was credible evidence available to stop someone and could not be used otherwise.

The police now had limited resources available. Officers had relocated to Ilkeston station and PCSO's remained at Long Eaton. There was 1 Sergeant and 8 Officers. Should the public wish to pass on any information, they could contact 'Crime Stoppers'.

Further questions were raised by Councillors and it was made clear that the community was seeking extended police involvement to tackle the issues raised and bring about stability as quickly as possible. Feedback was expected for the January meeting.

PSCO Boyer was made aware of the following matters and was thanked for attending.

- Wooden bollards sited on Longmoor Lane and maintained by EBC had again been vandalised. Cllr Major confirmed he would liaise with EBC on this matter.
- It was reported that there were ongoing drug problems on Wood Avenue.

142. TO RECEIVE REPORTS FROM THE FOLLOWING:

I. County Councillor report

There was no report under this heading.

II. Borough Councillor report

- a) EBC Executive had met that day to formulate a first response to HS2 regarding their recent consultations on the Draft Environmental Statement and Draft Equality Impact Assessment Report.
- b) EBC was again pleased to have received more compliments than complaints.
- c) Parkwood Leisure Ltd had now taken over responsibility from EBC for running leisure services across the Borough on a 'not for profit basis'. Savings would be created and the service was protected for the next 10 years.

143. TO RESOLVE THAT THE MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON 6 NOVEMBER 2018 ARE A CORRECT RECORD

RESOLVED: that the Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on 6 November 2018, copies of which have been previously circulated to Members, were confirmed as a true record and signed by the Chairman.

144. MATTERS FOR REPORT

There were no matters for report.

145. TO RECEIVE THE MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE PLANNING COMMITTEE HELD ON 6 NOVEMBER 2018

RESOLVED: to receive the Minutes of the meeting held on 6 November 2018

146. TO RECEIVE THE MINUTES OF THE CEMETERY, PARKS & HIGHWAY MATTERS COMMITTEE HELD ON 6 NOVEMBER 2018

RESOLVED: to receive the Minutes of the meeting held on 6 November 2018

147. TO RECEIVE THE MINUTES OF THE FINANCE COMMITTEE HELD ON 22 NOVEMBER 2018

- I. **RESOLVED:** to receive and note the Minutes of the inquorate meeting

- II. **RESOLVED:** to set the 2019/2020 Budget and Cemetery fees at the January full Council meeting

148. CHAIRMAN'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

- I. Carols Around the Tree – Donation
Cllr Major confirmed that he would again donate his Chairman's Allowance of £50 to Sandiacre Male Voice Choir for their continued support in leading carols at the Christmas Tree switch-on event.
- II. Mr Wallace – Contractor
The Clerk was asked to send a get-well card to Mr Wallace on behalf of the Parish Council to wish him a speedy recovery following an accident he sustained whilst undertaking private work.

Supply cover had been brought in for litter picking and low level work.

149. REPORT OF THE CLERK

- I. Sandiacre reported crimes: September 2017 = 60 / September 2018 = 69
New Acting Sergeant: Sgt 7273 Ann-Marie Gregory
- II. Carols Around the Tree: Saturday 1/12/18
The event was a success, but attendance had reduced from previous years.

Sandiacre Co-op had been thanked on the day for donating mince pies.
- III. Christmas lights: Installation
Millennium Quest had installed all the lamp column motifs and pea-lights, but the Christmas Tree baubles had been missed. The Clerk had issued several reminders.

RESOLVED: to ask Millennium Quest for compensation as a result of reduced service and to ensure the baubles were displayed at the earliest opportunity
- IV. Christmas concert 12/12/18 / Ticket sales: and arrangements
Tickets were now on sale and the Clerk was visiting the Sports Centre with members of both choir the following day to decide seating arrangements.

Publicity had been given in the newsletter and posters had been widely circulated by both choirs.
- V. Office closure/Emergency contact: Thursday, 13/12/18 to Wednesday, 2/1/19
The above dates were noted.
- VI. December cheques for payment: First Tuesday in the month - January BH
Cllr R Stewart and Cllr Mrs Stewart confirmed they would be available to sign cheques during the first week in January.
- VII. Boundary sign: Progress to date
The Clerk was expecting a reply from DCC and hoped to bring back further details to the January meeting.
- VIII. New website: Progress to date
The Clerk was finalising details ready to set up the site by the January meeting.

- IX. GDPR: Data protection registration and fee
Details would be checked to establish any appropriate charge.
- X. Local Council Elections 2/5/19: Date of taking office Tuesday, 7/5/19 - Date of May full Council meetings to be confirmed

RESOLVED: that the date of the May meeting be changed to 7th May 2019

150. REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY EVENING SERVICE

Cllr Major confirmed that the service had been well attended and the organising group had been thanked for all their efforts in marking the centenary of the end of WW1.

On the night, several concerns had been raised that a poppy wreath had been laid in Church that reflected a political party. Following the service, the wreath had been removed and was later returned to the donor. The Parish Council had not been involved and the remaining wreaths remained on display until the end of November.

Councillors considered that any individual or organisation could lay a poppy wreath in remembrance and with respect. The wreaths laid during the evening service had been displayed on Church premises and therefore, it was a matter for the Church to decide what action to take if concerns had been raised on the matter.

151. HS2 CONSULTATIONS

Consultations ending 21 December 2018

- I. Draft Environmental Statement
- II. Draft Equality Impact Assessment Report

Councillors considered points raised by residents on the major impact HS2 would have on the community through traffic generation, especially during the construction period and the need to protect the local environment for future generations, including St Giles' Church, in order to safeguard ancient heritage.

It would be an advantage to introduce a North/South route to alleviate traffic and for the proposed electrical sub-station to be near the main road. The possibility of an underground tunnel would be preferred as opposed to a 19m high viaduct dominating the landscape.

The track width would be 20m wide, which would be wider than the Erewash canal and would dominate the outlying area.

The Clerk would liaise with the Chairman over the response to the consultations and include: Noise and disturbance, flood risk, impact on wildlife and surrounding countryside, the need to retain local beauty spots and the impact of a high viaduct on the surrounding countryside, especially in close proximity to a Conservation Area.

152. DERBYSHIRE ASSOCIATION OF LOCAL COUNCILS (DALC) CIRCULARS

Circ 15	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • DALC Spring Seminar 2019 • Clerk Essential Training – 10 January 2019 – 10am – 12.30pm, Cromford • General Power of Competence Update • Exemption of Public Toilets from Business Rates – Support requested • Subscription fees 2019/20 • Latest Guidance on Accessibility to Websites and Mobile Devices
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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • NALC Digital Mapping Toolkit • Weather Ready |
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RESOLVED: to note the above circulars

153. FINANCIAL STATEMENT

RESOLVED: to note the financial statement and budget position to October, as tabled

154. ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT

To authorise payments as listed below:

<u>DD 1/11</u>	Waterplus (9648)	Office supply: November	10.17
<u>DD 15/11</u>	BT (3066)	Line rental	97.89
<u>DD 20/11</u>	E.on (8660)	Electricity charges	65.48
<u>DD 22/11</u>	Sovereign	Play area inspections	47.99
3494	Horizon	Grounds maintenance: October	1,288.97
3495	MH-P internet ltd	Website design and development	600.00
3496	Mrs Bloor	Salary: November	1,424.56
3497	HMRC	Tax/NIC: November	407.87
3498	Sandiacre MV Choir	Chair's allowance: Donation	50.00
3499	Slingsby	Carols Around the Tree: Barrier fencing 4	294.42
3500	Mr J Bloor	Internet Security software	11.25
3501	Mr N Wilford	Low level work: Remove poppies	100.00
3502	EBC	Christmas concert: Hire of sports hall	162.76
3503	J T Hodson	Memorial Inst: Repairs to lamp columns	231.84
3504	Andrews GS	Litter picking: November (Part month)	495.00
3505	Andrews GS	Low level work	270.00
3506	Mr M Dunham	Litter picking: November (Cover)	242.20
3507	Mr M Dunham	Low level work	10.00
		Total:	<u>5,810.40</u>

I. **RESOLVED:** that the accounts presented for payment be approved

The Clerk noted that repairs to the Memorial Institute lighting columns could be allocated from the Council's budget, as per the agreed maintenance heading.

Cllr S Bilbie, Cllr Mrs S Dickman, Cllr W Major, Cllr R Stewart and Cllr Mrs Stewart declared an interest as Trustees of the Memorial Institute

II. **RESOLVED:** to allocate funds from the budget for repairs to lighting columns

155. INCOME RECEIVED

22-Nov	G115: Transfer of Rights	32.00
22-Nov	Concert tickets x 2	10.00
26-Nov	A170: Plot / Interment x 2	294.00
26-Nov	A170: Plaque approval	73.00
29-Nov	Concert tickets x 2	10.00
30-Nov	HSBC Election Costs A/C	0.87
30-Nov	HSBC Deposit (Business) A/C	10.37

30-Nov HSBC Grant Account

	0.01
Total	<u>430.25</u>

RESOLVED: to note the income received

156. CORRESPONDENCE

- I. EBC: Community household waste collection services:
- Library car park: 8/12/18 & 2/2/19
 - St Giles' Park car park: 29/12/18 & 23/2/19
- II. EBC: Community Grant Funding Scheme £2,000 – Open to 9am on 17/12/18

RESOLVED: to note the above items of correspondence

157. PUBLIC BODIES (ADMISSION TO MEETINGS) ACT 1960

No items were deemed confidential.

158. TO NOTE THE DATE AND TIMES OF THE NEXT MEETINGS

TUESDAY, 8 JANUARY 2019 – SECOND TUESDAY IN THE MONTH

- Planning Committee 7.00pm
- Cemetery, Parks & Highway Matters Committee 7.20pm
- Parish Council 7.40pm

The meeting closed at 9.35pm.

Signed by the Chairman: _____

Date: _____