

SANDIACRE PARISH COUNCIL

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Minutes of the Parish Council Cemetery, Parks and Highway Matters Committee meeting held on Tuesday, 5 September 2017 at 7.20pm in the Memorial Institute, 19a Doncaster Avenue, Sandiacre, Derbyshire NG10 5FJ

PRESENT:

	Cllr S Bilbie	(Chairman)
A	Cllr Mrs L Bilbie	
A	Cllr Mrs J Chandler	
	Cllr R Harris	
	Cllr W Major	
	Cllr T Pearson	
	Cllr Mrs C Powers	

IN ATTENDANCE:

	Mrs M Bloor - Clerk to the Council
	Cllr T Sanghera
	Cllr R Stewart
	Cllr Mrs K Stewart

MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC: Three residents

34. APOLOGIES AND APPROVAL OF ABSENCE

Cllr Mrs L Bilbie	Maternity leave
Cllr Mrs J Chandler	Personal commitment

RESOLVED: to approve the apologies for absence received

35. TO RECEIVE DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no declarations of interest received.

36. 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.

37. VARIATION OF ORDER OF BUSINESS

There were no variations to the order of business on the Agenda.

38. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

Members of the public raised the following matters:

- General reduced police presence in the community
- Ongoing incidents of drug taking around Doncaster Avenue Recreation Ground
- Introducing a zebra crossing near the new Post Office on Stanton Road
- Continuing problem with traffic parking on the pavement near the Post Office
- Vehicles driving too fast in the area

It was noted the matters related to the police or Neighbourhood Wardens and due to limited resources, the police were now organised differently and no longer attended Parish Council meetings. Residents should contact the police directly to report any incidents.

The Clerk was asked to write to DCC to ascertain when bushes surrounding the library car park could be cut back to deter drug related problems and anti-social behaviour.

The Clerk was asked to contact the police to notify them of the problems raised.

39. TO RESOLVE THAT THE MINUTES OF THE CEMETERY, PARKS & HIGHWAY MATTERS COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON 7 JULY 2017 ARE A CORRECT RECORD

RESOLVED: that the Minutes of the meeting held on 7 July 2017, copies of which have been previously circulated to Members, were confirmed as a true record

40. MATTERS FOR REPORT

There were no matters to report.

41. PARISH COUNCIL CEMETERY

- I. Burials and interments
18/7/17 Burial Area 2, Row A, G16
- II. Reserved plots since the last meeting
Rose garden: Plot 1, Plot 2 and Plot 3

The Clerk had allocated 3 ashes plots adjacent to each other for a family. Space had become available in the rose garden as a tree had been cut back.

42. PARISH COUNCIL PARKS (Doncaster Avenue Recreation Ground/Springfield Park)

It was noted there had been few incidents of anti-social behaviour and criminal damage over the Summer months. However, there had been several incidents of household waste being discarded into park litter bins.

One resident had recently been observed discarding waste on Springfield Park and advised that further action would be taken if the practice continued.

43. ANNUAL TREE SURVEY

A copy of the annual tree survey had been circulated in advance of the meeting.

It was noted that work had already been carried out to 2 mature trees on Doncaster Avenue Recreation Ground at the request of residents to ensure there was no detrimental impact upon the amenity of their property due to the height of the trees.

RESOLVED: to note the report

The Clerk was asked to prioritise tree work while remaining within the allotted budget.

44. PLANTERS – DERBY ROAD

The Clerk confirmed that the condition of two planters sited on the corner of Derby Road and The Paddocks had recently been assessed. They were now showing signs of age.

Councillors considered that it was an appropriate time to remove the planters and provide a new feature to welcome people to Sandiacre. Borough Councillors could support the scheme with outside funding from their EBC Community Grants.

The Clerk was asked to source ideas and include this item on the next full Council agenda.

It was noted the planters had originally been donated by a local family and it was important to contact them with the proposal. A commemorative name plaque included on one of the planters could be given a special place in the Cemetery.

RESOLVED: as follows:

- I. Mr Wallace would be asked to quote for the removal of the planters
- II. The Clerk would contact the family to notify them of the proposal
- III. Cllr Major, Cllr S Bilbie and Cllr Mrs L Bilbie would be asked to fund a new replacement feature on one side of The Paddocks, such as a large 'welcome' sign
- IV. This item would be included on the October full Council agenda

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

TUESDAY, 3 OCTOBER 2017

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

The meeting closed at 7.45pm

Signed by the Chairman: _____ **Date:** _____