

SANDIACRE PARISH COUNCIL

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Minutes of the VIRTUAL Parish Council meeting held on Tuesday, 2 March 2021 at 7.00pm via Zoom video conferencing.

PRESENT:

Cllr W Major	Chairman
Cllr Mrs L Bilbie	
Cllr S Bilbie	Vice-Chairman
Cllr Mrs S Dickman	
Cllr Mrs C French	
Cllr A Gibson	
Cllr Mrs S Hales	
Cllr T Hales	
Cllr S Jarratt	
Cllr Mrs C Powers	
Cllr N Raycraft	
Cllr T Sanghera	
Cllr Mrs K Stewart	
Cllr R Stewart	

IN ATTENDANCE:

Mrs M Bloor - Clerk to the Parish Council		
Mr Robbie Laird	(SP Broadway)	Presentation only
Ms Lois Partridge	(SP Broadway)	Presentation only
Ms Naomi Pullison	(SP Broadway)	Presentation only
Mr Tim Foxall	(SP Broadway)	Presentation only

REMOTELY ATTENDING: Eight members of the public

PRESENTATION – 6.00pm – New Stanton Park

Proposed development on land off Lows Lane, Stanton by Dale

Location: Approximately 81 ha (200 acres) of land north of Lows Lane, Stanton-by-Dale

The consultants gave an overview of the proposed development which was expected to create 3,700 jobs and preserve 25% of the existing site for green open spaces. SP Broadway, on behalf of Verdant Regeneration, was currently consulting with community stakeholders, including Councillors to understand local issues. They were also liaising with planning officers on a wide range of matters including: ecology, noise, highways, impact of mining, heritage and site decontamination.

Feedback from the first Liaison Group meeting had proved useful and preliminary plans could be changed. It was considered important to mitigate the impact of HGV traffic on surrounding communities and nearby rail links could be used for freight. Plans included preserving and developing existing green belt and wildlife areas, such as the Nutbrook Trail.

Councillors enquired about the possibility of introducing a new bypass or M1 slip road to minimise the impact of increased HGV movement, especially through Sandiacre. However, it was noted Highways England had already tested the idea of a new slip road for the HS2 scheme and it was rejected at the time.

Access to the site was yet to be defined as more information on traffic generation was required. More meetings were needed to support an outline planning application.

The consultants were asked to take into account the views of nearby residents as they had an important contribution to make. Mrs Marriott (Stanton-by-Dale) and Cllr Mrs Powers asked to join the Liaison Group and attend the next meeting planned for 21 June.

At the end of the questions and answer session, the Chairman summed up the main points:

Traffic movement

- Concerns should be taken into account over increased HGV movement in the area
- Measures must be introduced to ease traffic congestion in nearby parishes, not increase it
- It would be favourable to move freight using the nearby rail spur and network

Ecology

- It was important to mitigate any negative impact on the local environment and preserve areas of green open space, including areas inhabited by wildlife and those used for recreational purposes

Environmental impact

- Consideration should be given to providing a number of EV charging points on site

Economy

- It was important to recognise that the development would create 3,700 jobs for local people and bring in future investment to surrounding areas.

Mr Laird and his colleagues were thanked for attending the meeting which ended at 6.50pm.

Following a 5 minute break, the Annual Parish Meeting was held from 6.55pm until 7.25pm

The Chairman welcomed everyone to the full Council meeting, which started at 7.25pm.

161. TO RECEIVE APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

All Members were present.

162. TO RECEIVE DECLARATIONS OF INTERESTS

Item 170 - Planning Applications - 230 Derby Road

Cllr Mrs Powers declared an interested as she knew the applicant.

Item 171.5 Clerk's Report – Easter Play Scheme – Cloudside Academy

Cllr Major declared an interested as a School Governor.

163. TO CONSIDER REQUESTS FOR DISPENSATIONS

There were no requests for dispensation.

164. VARIATION OF ORDER OF BUSINESS

Agenda Item 170. Planning – Application received after the Agenda was issued

RESOLVED: to consider the following: ERE/0221/0067 **165 Derby Road**

165. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION SESSION

Mr Pinney commended the Council and volunteers for all the work they undertook to improve their local community and felt it should be widely recognised.

It was noted 2 Neighbourhood Planning consultants were attending the April meeting, but only in a capacity of offering Councillors information on their costs and services.

166. TO RECEIVE REPORTS FROM THE FOLLOWING:

1. Police report

PCSO Sangha had prepared a report for Councillors highlighting recent action taken in the community. (Previously circulated).

The Chairman confirmed the police had been notified of recent disturbances on Church Drive and Doncaster Avenue RG and the need for more regular patrols.

Residents were asked to contact the police to report any incidents as they occurred.

2. County Councillor

A report had been provided at the earlier Annual Parish Meeting.

3. Borough Councillors

A report had been provided at the earlier Annual Parish Meeting.

Cllr Major noted EBC had faced financial pressures over the past year due to the pandemic, but it was hoped more financial support would be provided by the Government and through additional business rates, including from the proposed New Stanton Park site.

The Erewash Core Strategy had been paused during 2020 due to lockdown restrictions, but was now in the process of moving to Stage 2.

167. TO RESOLVE THAT THE MINUTES OF THE VIRTUAL PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON 2 FEBRUARY 2021 ARE A CORRECT RECORD

RESOLVED: that the Minutes of the virtual Parish Council meeting held on 2 February 2021, copies of which have been previously circulated to Members, were confirmed as a true record

168. MATTERS FOR REPORT

There were no matters to report.

169. CHAIRMAN'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

1. Proposed New Stanton Park: Outcome of stakeholder Liaison Group meeting

This matter had been addressed during the earlier presentation.

2. Outcome of the Clerk's appraisal

The Chairman and Vice-Chairman had recently undertaken the Clerk's appraisal and were pleased with her performance and excellent work for the Council.

The Clerk indicated her thanks to Councillors for their continued support.

3. To note work carried out to maintain parks and open spaces since the last meeting

Work undertaken by Mr Wallace:

- Taken delivery of half a tonne of grit supplied by DCC and stored bags for filling and refilling Parish Council bins several times throughout February.

- Cleared the grill on Springfield Park to avoid any build-up of debris carried down the stream, which could result in flooding to nearby properties.
- Taken delivery of notice board for Coronation Avenue and would install.
- Cleared spent Christmas wreaths from the Cemetery and closed churchyards.
- Helped the Clerk display notices and install temporary posts to deter people from walking across graves at the bottom of the closed middle churchyard footpath.

It was noted a complaint had been received that people were seen to walk across graves in this section, which families considered very disrespectful.

170. PLANNING

1. To consider consultations received from EBC

EBC Ref: 033825 **Proposed development on land off Lows Lane, Stanton by Dale**
 Approximately 81 ha of land north of Lows Lane, Stanton by Dale, Ilkeston
Observations on the proposed scope and content of the Environmental Statement
Redevelopment of site with anticipated uses comprising Class E(g) (iii) (Industrial Processes); Class B2 (General Industrial); Class B8 (Storage & Distribution) and ancillary offices; and the application will seek permission for service yards and HGV parking, fuel and wash facilities, vehicular and cycle parking, gatehouse(s) and security facilities, plant, hard and soft landscaping including boundary treatments and retaining walls, diversion of the Nutbrook Canal, pedestrian and cycle infrastructure, rail freight lines, rail loading and unloading facilities, associated rail infrastructure and ancillary uses, provision of access and internal roads, earthworks and structural landscaping, foul and surface water drainage infrastructure, ecological enhancement areas, areas of open space and green infrastructure, demolition of buildings on Lows Lane, and relocation of three electricity sub stations within the site.

Resolved: to respond as per the main points of the earlier presentation

ERE/0221/0022 **22 Nursery Avenue**
 Loft conversion with an end gable wall (hip to gable), a rear dormer roof and front Velux roof light

Resolved: that no objections be made

ERE/0221/0026 **43 Sandringham Road**
 Removal of storm canopy above front door and erection of front porch

Resolved: that no objections be made

ERE/0221/0054 **9 Queens Drive**
 Outbuilding

Resolved: that no objections be made

ERE/0121/0002 **19 Linden Grove**
 AMENDED PLANS: Originally submitted 4 January 2021
 Single storey side extension to existing dwelling - Amended roof design

Resolved: that no objections be made

ERE/0221/0057 **230 Derby Road**
 To remove existing hedge and erect a boundary wall with electric gates to the front of the property

Resolved: that no objections be made, but to comment that removal of the hedge should be undertaken when there are no signs of nesting birds

ERE/0221/0067 **165 Derby Road**
Extension of existing garage, alterations to walls, doors and windows, insertion of roof light and use of resulting building as annexe
Resolved: that no objections be made

2. To note planning decisions taken by EBC

ERE/1220/0050 **39 York Avenue**
EBC approved 4/2/21

ERE/1220/0058 **56 Maple Avenue**
EBC approved 9/2/21

171. REPORT OF THE CLERK

1. Crime figures: Latest recorded figures over a 13 month period

A breakdown of statistics covering the previous 13 month period had been circulated. There was no change in figures shown on the website:

December 2019	48	December 2020	55
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2. Clerk on leave / Office closed: W/C 8 March 2021

The office would be closed the following week. Details would be displayed on the website and an emergency contact number provided for Funeral Directors.

3. DCC: Derby Road bench and planter update: Permits / Installation

DCC had given approval for installation of the bench and planter and permits would soon be issued. Installation was expected to take place shortly.

4. DCC: Grit received

Half a tonne of grit had recently been supplied by DCC to replenish stocks.

5. Easter 2-week play scheme at Cloudside Academy

Mr Metcalf was currently ascertaining if Cloudside Academy would be able to accommodate the 2 week Easter play scheme, but he was aware building work was scheduled to take place around this time.

Should the school not be able to assist with the booking, Councillors considered that the Memorial Institute could be made available.

6. FCC grant for Springfield Park refurbishment submitted 18/2/21: £60,000 + VAT

The Clerk had recently submitted a bid to FCC to cover costs of refurbishing the Springfield Park play area. If approved, the Parish Council was required to make a 10.75% contribution of £6,750. A decision would be known by 2/6/21.

It was noted this could be the start of an ongoing project to invest grant funding into significantly developing the park's facilities to benefit the wider community.

7. Office premises: Fire alarm annual check / New fire extinguishers x 3 22/2/21

O Heap, Derby had recently visited the office premises to install 3 new fire extinguishers, display signs and undertake emergency lighting checks.

The Clerk had undertaken a Risk Assessment based on one employee working in the building. She noted free training was available to ensure all aspects of risk were identified. Councillors confirmed they would be pleased for her to attend.

172. ELECTRIC VEHICLE CHARGE POINTS IN SANDIACRE

Cllr Mrs Powers highlighted her reasons for proposing the Parish Council introduce an EV charge point on Doncaster Avenue RG, which she felt was in a central location and could benefit residents needing to recharge an electric vehicle in the parish.

Discussion followed on the merits of introducing an EV charge point at a small location which offered limited use. There were currently few electric vehicles and nearby garages, hotels and supermarkets already provided a number of rapid charge points of 43kW covering the time people spent shopping. 3kW slow charging points needed around 8 hours of charge for one vehicle, so one space would be taken for a long period of time.

It was confirmed EBC was looking at possible sites across Erewash that identified highest need and ones that could offer long term charging facilities with fast charge sockets. Bridge Street car park was a potential site within Sandiacre near a large supermarket and busy central shopping area.

It was noted the Parish Council could consider the introduction of EV charge points as part of a broader Neighbourhood Plan or private businesses could provide sockets.

The Clerk was asked to contact Lidl to establish their plans for EV charge points.

173. CEMETERY MATTERS

1. Burials since the last meeting

9/2/21 Area 2, Row D, Grave 5

2. Interments since the last meeting

9/2/21 A182

3. Reserved Graves / Plots since the last meeting

12/2/21 Un-consecrated area Interment date: TBC

174. PARKS & OPEN SPACES

To consider any incidents or maintenance issues since the last meeting.

- DARG: Tree snapped off by play area 17/2/21
- Contents of litter bin by DARG play area set alight, but outer casing in tact

175. DERBYSHIRE ASSOCIATION OF LOCAL COUNCILS (DALC) CIRCULARS

1. February newsletter: Previously circulated
2. Guidance: Preparing for possible return to 'in person' meetings from 7/5/21
3. Annual subscription: 2020: £979.63 / 2021: £968.70.
Optional enhanced training fee: £250 – Total: £1,218.70
4. March Newsletter: Previously circulated

RESOLVED: to pay the lower DALC subscription of £968.70 from 1/4/21

The Chairman highlighted that the County Council elections were due to take place in May 2021 and Councillors should be mindful of purdah restrictions in place from the end of March when political campaigning would cease.

176. FINANCIAL STATEMENT

To receive the monthly financial report and bank reconciliation. (Circulated)

177. ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT

To approve the schedule of payments:

<u>DD 1/2</u>	Water Plus (9648)	Office supply	12.49
<u>DD 2/2</u>	BT (2269)	Broadband: Quarterly 1/1/21 - 31/3/21	139.32
<u>DD 3/2</u>	E.on (8660)	Office/DARG/Car park: 14/12/20-8/1/21	88.80
<u>DD 16/2</u>	BT (3066)	Line rental / Usage	61.27
BP 2/2	Clr Major	Zoom conference host: February	14.39
BP 5/2	Countrywide GM	Grounds maintenance/Mowing: February	1,225.20
BP 11/2	Mr Bloor	Office IT: SugarSync renewal for 2021	18.87
BP 26/2	Mrs Bloor	Salary: February	1,485.34
BP 26/2	HMRC	Tax/NIC's: February	391.50
BP 26/2	Andrew's GS	Litter picking: February	682.00
BP 26/2	Andrew's GS	Low level work: February grit bin refills	100.00
		Total:	<u>4,219.18</u>

RESOLVED: to approve the schedule of payments, as shown above

178. INCOME RECEIVED

To note income received, as shown below:

12	Plot/Interment x 1: Un-consecrated ground	240.00
15	Co-op LE: G192 Additional inscription	50.00
12	Lymns: A2,Row D, G5: Grave + burial x 1	700.00
23	Co-op ST: G189 Additional inscription	50.00
23	Un-consecrated plot x 1	240.00
23	Un-consecrated plot x 2	320.00
28	HSBC Election Account (Polling station costs)	0.02
28	HSBC Savings (Business) Account - Interest	0.42
28	HSBC Grant Account - Interest	0.05
	Total	<u>1,600.49</u>

RESOLVED: to note the income received, as shown above

179. CORRESPONDENCE

- Air Ambulance – Thank you for £50 s137 donation
- Greater Nottm Strategic Plan Growth Options: Response deadline 23/3/21

180. PUBLIC BODIES (ADMISSION TO MEETINGS) ACT 1960

*If the Council decides to exclude the public it will be necessary to pass a resolution in the following terms: **RESOLVED:** That under the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960, the public and representatives of the press and broadcast media be excluded from the meeting during the consideration of the following items of business as publicity would be prejudicial to the public interest because of the confidential nature of the business to be transacted.*

181. TO NOTE THE DATE & TIMES OF THE NEXT PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

TUESDAY, 6 APRIL 2021

- 1. NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN PRESENTATION TO COUNCILLORS**
Mr Andrew Towleron (Consultant) at 6.00pm
- 2. NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN PRESENTATION TO COUNCILLORS**
Mrs Hannah Barter (Consultant) at 6.30pm
- 3. FULL COUNCIL MEETING at 7.00pm**

Location to be confirmed in line with the latest Government guidance in place when the next Agenda is issued.

The meeting closed at 8.40pm

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