

# SANDIACRE PARISH COUNCIL

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

**PRESENT:**

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

**IN ATTENDANCE:** Mrs M Bloor - Clerk to the Parish Council

**REMOTELY ATTENDING:** Eight members of the public

The Chairman welcomed everyone to the meeting.

## 141. TO RECEIVE APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Councillor	Apologies for absence received
Mrs L Bilbie	Work commitment
Mrs C French	Unwell
N Raycraft	Convalescing

**RESOLVED:** to approve the apologies for absence

## 142. TO RECEIVE DECLARATIONS OF INTERESTS

There were no declarations of interested.

## 143. TO CONSIDER REQUESTS FOR DISPENSATIONS

There were no requests for dispensation.

## 144. VARIATION OF ORDER OF BUSINESS

Agenda Item 150. Planning - Matters for consideration after the Agenda was issued

**RESOLVED:** to consider and note the following:

Planning consultations	
ERE/0121/0060	1 Mountfield Avenue
ERE/0121/0064	7 Victoria Road
ERE/0121/0067	34 Shaftesbury Avenue
ERE/0221/0003	39 King Edward Street (Received 2/2/21)

Planning decision notices	
ERE/1220/0040	82 Springfield Avenue
ERE/1220/0013	44 Lancaster Avenue

#### 145. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION SESSION

The following matters were raised:

1. A resident enquired if mesh fencing surrounding the garage forecourt on Derby Road was to remain on site permanently? The Clerk was asked to contact EBC Planning Department (Enforcement) to ascertain the position.
2. In response to a question regarding refusal of planning permission by EBC to the development of land on Longmoor Lane, the resident was advised that all developers could appeal to the Secretary of State to have a decision overturned.
3. Two residents who had sent enquires direct to the office were invited to raise a question at the meeting, if present. There was no response.
4. The Chairman noted a question had been submitted to the office relating to blocked drains on Derby Road. The Clerk was asked to forward the enquiry to DCC.
5. A resident enquired if a group of volunteers wishing to improve the local community could be offered support by the Parish Council. It was noted a small group of volunteers had been liaising with the Clerk for several years to identify areas within Sandiacre for improvement and this had worked well.

All volunteers were welcome to support their community and projects could be identified, especially areas in need of litter picking. The resident was asked to liaise with the Clerk to establish areas that volunteers could be involved with in order to make a difference.

It was noted the Parish Council employed a Litter Picker (2 hours x 6 days per week) to collect litter and dog waste from Springfield Park, Doncaster Avenue Recreation Ground, the length of Derby Road, along Padmore Moorings and also King Edward Street. However, he could clear an area and litter would be dropped shortly afterwards. EBC covered all other areas of Sandiacre.

The Clerk was asked to provide the resident with the Litter Picker's route plan in order to ensure that work was not duplicated.

#### 146. 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 informed that groups were still congregating on parks during lockdown and causing problems, especially during the recent snow when there was disturbance to nearby properties.

The Clerk was asked to notify officers that additional patrols should be introduced around parks and Church Drive to deal with drug taking and ASB.

There were also issues of youths drag racing around Cross Street.

Residents were encouraged to ring 101 to report any incidents as they occurred.

## 2. County Councillor

Cllr Major reported on the following:

- Due to recent heavy snow fall, DCC gritting teams had been working hard to clear roads throughout the county.
- There were currently flood risk warnings in place following excessive rain and melting snow. The Derbyshire Floods Hardship Fund had been reinstated to support those residents and businesses affected.
- Families were reminded to check the DCC website to see if they met the eligibility criteria for claiming free childcare for 2 year olds.

## 3. Borough Councillors

Cllr Biblie reported on the following:

- The Long Eaton Town Investment Plan (TIP) had been submitted in a bid for funding of £25m to develop the area and support various investment projects.
- Details of the Planning White Paper were awaited, but changes could include more 'duty' on developers

Cllr Major reported on the following:

- Bin collection services were suspended when heavy snow fell last Monday, but extra teams were deployed to Sandiacre and services had caught up.
- Garden waste collections would resume from w/c 22/2/21
- Grants worth £5m had been approved by EBC to support eligible businesses affected by the COVID-19 pandemic restrictions

### **147. TO RESOLVE THAT THE MINUTES OF THE VIRTUAL PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON 12 JANUARY 2021 ARE A CORRECT RECORD**

**RESOLVED:** that the Minutes of the virtual Parish Council meeting held on 12 January 2021, copies of which have been previously circulated to Members, were confirmed as a true record

### **148. MATTERS FOR REPORT**

To receive an update on progress of matters from the last Council meeting not listed on the Agenda.

#### Item 127.6 Clerk's Report: Play area inspection report (DARG)

An order had been placed to replace 4 swing seats and chains.

#### Item 128 s137 donation: £50

A letter of thanks had been received from East Midlands Air Ambulance.

#### Item 132.iv Closing NS&I Account

The Clerk was in the process of closing the NS&I savings account and obtaining signatures from the Chairman and Vice-Chairman, as per the mandate instruction. Annual interest of £1.26 had been received on 1st January.

## 149. CHAIRMAN'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

### 1. Grit bins

It was noted several requests for new grit bins had recently been received, but some suggested locations were in close proximity to an existing bin. It was considered any new grit bins should be prioritised to strategic locations to facilitate wider use.

Councillors considered it would be useful to consider this matter in more detail and review the present locations of grit bins before making a decision to invest.

### 2. Citizens' Forum

The Chairman confirmed he had recently attended a Citizens' Forum to look at local issues affecting residents and which covered the benefits of greater community engagement by volunteers.

### 3. Parish Council Easter Play Scheme

Funding remained available in the budget to support a 2-week Easter play scheme at Cloudside Academy. Details would be included on the next Agenda.

### 4. New Stanton Park - Community Liaison Group

A Community Liaison Group had been established inviting local stakeholders to consider proposals for development of New Stanton Park by Verdant Regeneration.

A virtual meeting would be held on 10/2/21 and the group was expected to meet every 6-8 weeks. Regular feedback would be made available to the Parish Council.

Cllrs Major, Bilbie and Sanghera had been invited to attend in their capacity as Borough and Parish Councillors. Stanton-by-Dale Councillors would also attend.

## 150. PLANNING

### 1. To consider consultations received from EBC

ERE/0121/0025      **EBC: Public Open Space between 70 & 76 Sandringham Road**  
Oak (T1, T2, T3, T8, T10) – Crown lift to 4m and remove deadwood. Sycamore (T7) – sever ivy. Prune 2m clearance to - garage Oak (T3) and street lamps Norway maple (T17, T18)  
**Resolved:** that no objections be made

ERE/0121/0046      **69 Wood Avenue**  
Scheme to provide parking to front of property with pavement crossover, adjusting level of pavement  
**Resolved:** that no objections be made

ERE/0121/0060      **1 Mountfield Avenue**  
Erection of single storey front and single storey side extensions  
**Resolved:** that no objections be made

ERE/0121/0064      **7 Victoria Road**  
External ramping to front of house to provide level access  
**Resolved:** that no objections be made

ERE/0121/0067      **34 Shaftesbury Avenue**  
Two-storey rear extension, removal of chimney to side elevation and extension to existing garage. Plus erection of cedar front porch and window alterations. Render finish to dwelling with cedar wood panel feature to front elevation  
**Resolved:** that no objections be made

ERE/0221/0003      **39 King Edward Street**  
Two storey side and rear extension and single storey rear extension with external alterations  
**Resolved:** that no objections be made

2. To note planning decisions taken by EBC

ERE/1220/0052      **31 Rushy Lane**  
EBC approved 13/1/21

ERE/1020/0038      **Ducklings Nursery, 69 Derby Road**  
EBC: Approved 8/1/21

ERE/1120/0073      **Springfield Mill, Bridge Street**  
EBC: Approved 20/1/21

ERE/0920/0009      **108A Travers Road**  
EBC: Approved 21/1/21

ERE/1220/0040      **82 Springfield Avenue**  
EBC: Approved 27/1/21

ERE/1220/0013      **44 Lancaster Avenue**  
EBC: Approved 27/1/21

**151. REPORT OF THE CLERK**

1. Crime figures: Latest recorded

A breakdown of statistics covering the last 13 month period had been circulated.

December 2019	48	December 2020	55
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2. Clerk's appraisal: Date to be confirmed

It was confirmed the Chairman and Vice-Chairman would set a date with the Clerk in February to undertake her annual appraisal.

Cllr Major noted he had sought the Clerk's permission to report that her daughter was expecting twins in the coming months and the Parish Council (as employer) was looking to support her when she needed to be flexible with working hours or when applying for leave. Around April and May, Mrs Bloor was not seeking to increase her workload in order to focus on close family commitments for a time.

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

3. DET funding for MUGA unsuccessful: Grant applications exceeded funds

The Clerk noted with disappointment that her bid for £15,000 DET funding to refurbish the MUGA had been unsuccessful at this time. However, this was due to the number of applications received and limited funding available. Many funding streams were now Covid related. She could re-apply at a future date.

The Clerk was thanked for all her time in producing and submitting the bid.

4. DCC: Bench and planter - Progress to date

It was noted the Clerk and Chairman had contacted DCC for an update on progress and it was anticipated permits would be issued shortly. The public consultation period had been held.

5. Grit bins filled January  
The Parish Council grit bins had been filled before the expected snow fall and then re-filled afterwards. The office store had limited capacity for large stocks of grit and now bags had been used the Clerk was applying to DCC to obtain further supplies.
6. Neighbourhood Planning: Consultants invited to March and April meetings  
The Clerk had obtained details for 2 consultants who specialised in Neighbourhood Planning and were familiar with working for a number of Parish Councils. One was available to attend the March meeting at 6pm and the other could attend the April meeting to give a presentation and answer questions.

## 152. CEMETERY MATTERS

1. Burials since the last meeting  
None.
2. Interments since the last meeting  
None.
3. Reserved Graves / Plots since the last meeting  
None.

It was noted a burial was expected to take place on 9/2/21. Cemetery work now focused on permitting headstones and plaques after disturbed ground had settled.

## 153. PARKS & OPEN SPACES

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

The Clerk reported that both parks were quiet at the moment due to ongoing inclement weather, but a tree guard had been lifted on Doncaster Avenue RG.

## 154. DERBYSHIRE ASSOCIATION OF LOCAL COUNCILS (DALC) CIRCULARS

Latest circular: January

## 155. FINANCIAL STATEMENT

**RESOLVED:** to note the monthly financial report, as circulated

## 156. ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT

To approve the schedule of payments shown below:

<u>DD 4/1</u>	Water Plus (9648)	Office supply	12.49
<u>DD 4/1</u>	E.on (8660)	Office/DARG/Car park	150.66
<u>DD 12/1</u>	E.on (5590)	Bridge lights	25.36
<u>DD 18/1</u>	BT (3066)	Line rental / Usage	56.57
BP 2/1	Clr Major	Zoom conference host: January	14.39
BP 5/1	EBC	Waste collection: 1/4/19-31/3/20 & 1/4/20-31/3/21	2,920.56
BP 12/1	EBC	Cemetery bin collection 1/1/21-31/3/21	96.72
BP 12/1	Countrywide GM	Grounds maintenance/Mowing: January	1,225.20
BP 19/1	DB's Air Ambulance	S137 donation: Minute 128/20	50.00
BP 12/1	Mrs Bardill	Refund for standard rose (not obtained)	150.00

BP 29/1	Mrs Bloor	Salary: January	1,485.14
BP 29/1	HMRC	Tax/NIC's: January	391.50
BP 29/1	Andrew's GS	Litter picking: January	682.00
BP 29/1	Andrew's GS	Low level work: January	110.00
Total:			<u>7,370.59</u>

**RESOLVED:** to approve schedule of payments shown above

It was noted EBC had invoiced for a 2-year period for litter and waste collection from Springfield Park and Doncaster Avenue RG. The account was now up to date.

**157. INCOME RECEIVED**

1	NS&I Account: Annual Interest 2020	1.26
12	Area 2, Row A, G11: Transfer of Rights	40.00
21	Hawleys: A174 Plaque	80.00
21	Hawleys: Rose Garden plaque	80.00
21	Hawleys: A2,RB,G2 H/S Additional inscription	50.00
31	HSBC Election Account (Polling station costs)	0.02
31	HSBC Savings (Business) Account - Interest	0.46
31	HSBC Grant Account - Interest	0.05
Total		<u>251.79</u>

**RESOLVED:** to note the income received, as shown above

**158. CORRESPONDENCE**

- Clerks & Councils Direct: January 2021

**159. 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.*

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

**TUESDAY, 2 MARCH 2021**

- 1. PRESENTATION BY NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN CONSULTANT at 6.00pm**
- 2. ANNUAL PARISH MEETING at 6.40pm**
- 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 8.00pm**

**Signed by the Chairman:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Date:** \_\_\_\_\_