

SANDIACRE PARISH COUNCIL

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Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on Tuesday, 3 March 2020 at 7.00pm in the Memorial Institute, 19a Doncaster Avenue, Sandiacre, Derbyshire NG10 5FJ

PRESENT:

	Cllr W Major	Chairman
A	Cllr Mrs L Bilbie	
	Cllr S Bilbie	Vice-Chairman
	Cllr Mrs S Dickman	
	Cllr Mrs C French	
A	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

MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC: One for duration of meeting
Thirteen - Items 217 & 224.I (Ladycross House CH)

The Chairman welcomed everyone to the meeting.

213. TO RECEIVE APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Councillor	Reason for absence
A Gibson	Family illness (Under dispensation to July 2020)
L Bilbie	Family commitment (Child care)

RESOLVED: to approve the reasons for absence provided

214. TO RECEIVE DECLARATIONS OF INTERESTS

There were no declarations of interest received.

215. TO CONSIDER REQUESTS FOR DISPENSATION

There were no requests for dispensation.

216. VARIATION OF ORDER OF BUSINESS

Agenda Item 222. Planning - Matters for consideration after the Agenda was issued

RESOLVED: to include and consider the following:

Planning consultations	Item 1.	Decision notice	Item 3.
ERE/0220/0039	28 Beech Avenue	ERE/0120/0003	2 Queens Drive
ERE/0220/0065	11 Starch Lane		
ERE/0218/0040	11 Derby Road		

Variation of Business: Items 224.1 and 217

The Chairman confirmed he would vary the order of business by bringing forward Item 224.1 - Consultation on Ladycross House CH to follow Item 217 in order for the public to hear the response of the Parish Council to the consultation.

217. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION SESSION

Ladycross House Care Home – DCC consultation on proposed closure

The public session was extended to allow those present to state their views and learn how the Parish Council would respond to the consultation.

Views expressed by the public included:

- The impact of closure could involve job losses and this would bring uncertainty
- It was felt essential to retain a valued care home in the heart of the community that was highly regarded and an important asset for local residents and their families
- Funding levels should be maintained and further investment given to Ladycross House to keep the facilities open and secure its future
- The long-term care of older people living at the home should be safeguarded and familiar surroundings retained for residents' continued good health and well-being

Councillors thanked members of the public for raising concerns and highlighted that any points raised should be submitted to DCC as part of the consultation process.

The Chairman emphasised that Councillors understood the strength of feeling being shown on this issue but in response to comments and questions being raised by the public, Councillors should not be referred to in a negative manner or be questioned on their personal or family circumstances. Everyone should be treated with respect.

It was reiterated that DCC was conducting the consultation urging everyone to respond. However, it was important to accept that structural findings and costs needed to be addressed. Reports carried out by experts had identified significant areas for improvement work which would result in high levels of investment from public funding.

In order to prioritise spending across essential services and safeguard public money, DCC wanted to ensure Care Homes across Derbyshire were fit for purpose and remained safe for residents well into the future. All consultation responses would be taken into account before a final decision was taken by DCC Cabinet in April.

Following further discussion, the public were invited to remain for the outcome of the Parish Council's response.

Change to the order of business on the Agenda now followed.

ITEM 224.1 - CONSULTATION

DCC: Revised vision and strategy for direct care homes for older people

Further discussion followed on finding consensus for the response.

RESOLVED: that the consultation response would be submitted as follows:

- Residents are urged to take part in the consultation

- After carefully considering the independent report on Ladycross House CH, the Parish Council is very disappointed to learn about the state of the building and the condition it has been allowed to get in to. The safety of residents in Ladycross House should be everyone's top priority
- The Parish Council would like to see future investment given to care homes that are safe, fit for purpose and allow residents to be treated with dignity, either in Sandiacre itself, or close by and are easy to visit by public transport
- If a decision is made to close Ladycross House CH, the Parish Council would like the County Council to continue to commit to fund spaces in the 3 independent care homes in Sandiacre, thereby anyone who wishes to remain in Sandiacre still has the option to do so

Thirteen members of the public left the meeting at 7.55pm and were thanked for attending.

218. TO RECEIVE REPORTS FROM THE FOLLOWING:

a) County Councillor report

- Budget pressures had increased due to flood damage across the county
- Flooding had created problems with road surfaces now needing repair

b) Borough Councillors report

- The Core Strategy consultation remained open
- A new budget was being set
- Staffing levels at EBC had been reviewed
- Leisure Services was working well and new activities had been introduced
- Car parking charges across the Borough were under review

219. TO RESOLVE THAT THE MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON 4 FEBRUARY 2020 ARE A CORRECT RECORD

RESOLVED: that the Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on 4 February 2020, copies of which have been previously circulated to Members, were confirmed as a true record and signed by the Chairman

220. MATTERS FOR REPORT

There were no matters for report.

221. CHAIRMAN'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Chairman confirmed he had met PCSO Sangha with Cllr French and Cllr Bilbie to consider measures to reduce drug taking and ASB around Sandiacre and recent crime figures indicated a marked improvement, which was good news.

The Chairman announced that towards the end of March his wife was expecting a baby. Councillors congratulated the Chairman and his wife on their good news.

It was noted that Cllr Gibson wished to thank Councillors for offering dispensation for his absence over the coming months. His daughter's health was improving.

222. PLANNING

I. To consider consultations received from EBC

ERE/1119/0039 **44 Maple Avenue** Received: Nov 2019

'Minor alterations to the design'

- Window removed from side elevation (Improvement)

Previously: 'no objections' submitted by PC

RESOLVED: that no comments be made

ERE/0220/0039 **28 Beech Avenue**
Prior notification for single storey rear extension

RESOLVED: that no comments be made

ERE/0220/0065 **11 Starch Lane**
Demolition of existing retaining wall and replacement retaining wall to create an additional parking space and single storey rear/side extension

RESOLVED: that no comments be made

ERE/0118/0040 **11 Derby Road** Received June 2018

Demolition of outbuilding to rear and the erection of a part two storey, part single storey rear extension to create three flats, the change of use of the ground and first floors of existing property from a post office (Use Class A1) to fitness studios (Use Class D1), the installation of new and replacement shop fronts, alterations to windows and doors and application of render finish to external walls

- *Minor alterations to improve frontage and noise report received*

Previously: 'no objections' submitted by the PC

RESOLVED: that no comments be made

II. To consider pre-consultation enquiries from Cornerstone/Vodafone

Bostocks Lane (Near M1/A52) Identified site for G5 technology base station

Stanton Road (Near M1 Bridge) Identified site for G5 technology base station

It was noted that EBC had not yet received planning applications for the above.

RESOLVED: not to comment on the initial enquires

III. To note planning decisions taken by EBC

ERE/1219/0018 **Land Rear of 1 & 3 Longmoor Lane**

Erection of a two storey building containing 2 apartments

Withdrawn

ERE/1019/0042 **17 North Avenue**

Erection of part two storey, part single storey side and rear extensions, front porch, raised patio to rear and detached garage

EBC: Approved 5/2/20

ERE/1219/0041 **6 Moorfield Crescent (TPO)**

Withdrawn 27/2/20

T1 - Oak Tree - Reduce crown spread by 2 metres, roof clearance of the same distance and crown thin by 20%, T2 - Oak Tree - 2 metres cut back

EBC: Approved 5/2/20

ERE/0120/0018 **74 Station Road**

Installation of new shop front

EBC: Approved 10/2/20

ERE/0120/0003 **2 Queens Drive**

Erect two storey and single storey rear extension

EBC: Approved 18/2/20

RESOLVED: to note the decisions taken

A resident arrived at 8.35pm to take part in the public meeting. The Chairman advised that the Council's Public Session had already been held at the start of the meeting and extended by an hour. The resident left the meeting.

223. REPORT OF THE CLERK

I. Sandiacre reported crimes: Jan 2019 – 72 / Jan 2020 - 53

Figures for January were tabled. It was noted crime figures had reduced.

II. Canal embankment monitoring: Padmore Moorings (Bridge 10)

The Clerk had recently advised the Canal & River Trust that the stability of the embankment edge at Padmore Moorings required further inspection.

She had advised contractors working in the area to undertake a Risk Assessment to establish stability of the ground before commencing work.

The C&RT had already erected fencing in part of the area affected and an Engineer was expected shortly to consider further movement by the bank edge.

The Clerk would continue to monitor the area and advise the C&RT of findings.

III. Clerk's appraisal scheduled for 9/3/20

The Clerk, Cllr Bilbie and Cllr Major had agreed to meet on 9/3/20 in the evening.

IV. DARG: All day public event applied for - Saturday 14/3/20

The Clerk had offered assistance to the organiser and provided guidance for undertaking a Risk Assessment and obtaining Public Liability Insurance. However, a decision had been taken that day to hold the event elsewhere.

V. DCC: Parish & Town Council Liaison Forum meeting. Matlock 30/3/20 6pm – 8pm

The above date was noted.

VI. EBC Borough & Parish Forum meeting 21/2/20 outcome

The Clerk and Cllr Sanghera had attended the meeting, which covered the 2020 Core Strategy review identifying areas of land in the Borough for future housing.

VII. Lamp columns: Station Road

DCC had been advised that a number of lamp columns remained unlit in the centre of Sandiacre. The Clerk would ascertain if all the lights had now been fixed.

VIII. Leisure Lites: New motif designs / Recovery of pea-lights from Millennium Quest

The Clerk had requested that information on design and additional motif costs was made available for the meeting, but to date, no details had been provided.

This item would be included on the next Agenda.

224. CONSULTATION

I. DCC: Revised vision and strategy for direct care homes for older people

Public consultation 31/1/20 to 24/4/20

Proposed closure of Ladycross House Care Home, Sandiacre

<https://www.derbyshire.gov.uk/council/have-your-say/consultation-search/consultation-details/revised-vision-and-strategy-for-direct-care-homes-for-older-people.aspx>

The above item was decided after the Public Session: Refer Agenda Item 217

II. Broxtowe BC: Awsworth Neighbourhood Plan

Public consultation 10/2/20 to 27/3/20

<https://www.broxtowe.gov.uk/for-you/planning/planning-policy/neighbourhood-planning/awsworth-neighbourhood-plan/>

III. NCC: Nottinghamshire Minerals Local Plan 2020 to 2036 - Examination process

Documents now submitted to the Secretary of State at the start of the examination process can be found at: www.nottinghamshire.gov.uk/mlpexamination

RESOLVED: to note the consultations and that Councillors could respond individually

225. CEMETERY MATTERS

- I. Burials since the last meeting: None
- II. Interments since the last meeting: None
- III. Reserved: None

RESOLVED: to note the above

Cemetery: Annual clearance of Christmas tributes and fragile memorabilia

The Clerk confirmed notices were now displayed around the Cemetery and Churchyard asking families to remove Christmas tributes ready for grass cutting to begin during March.

226. PARKS & OPEN SPACES

Litter picking and low level work

Mr Verney was currently covering for Mr Wallace who was unavailable for at least 2 weeks following an unexpected close family commitment and also an injury.

The Clerk was asked to send a card expressing Councillors good wishes for a speedy recovery and offering support at this difficult time.

227. DERBYSHIRE ASSOCIATION OF LOCAL COUNCILS (DALC) CIRCULARS

Circ. 3/2020	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• We're on the move! New DALC office: Unit 6, Lime Tree Business Park, Matlock DE4 3EJ• Want to be on DALC's Exec?• Dealing with fly-tippers and squatters• Skills – how to be a good interviewer• Be a litter hero(ine) this Spring!• And the champion is... BELPER!• Be quick – Spring Seminar places nearly sold out• Village Halls – the hubs of Derbyshire's villages• Latest Training for March 2020
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RESOLVED: to note the above circular

228. FINANCIAL STATEMENT

A financial statement was circulated at the meeting.

A budget monitoring report was circulated for the third quarter: To 31/12/19

229. ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT

To authorise the schedule of payments listed below:

3662	Willy Albans	Replacement cheque for 3647	360.00
<u>DD 3/2</u>	BT (2269)	Internet/Broadband 1/1/20 - 31/3/20	136.44
<u>DD 3/2</u>	Water Plus (9648)	Office supply	10.12
<u>DD 17/2</u>	BT (3066)	Line rental / calls	99.86
<u>DD 19/2</u>	E.on (8660)	Electricity charges: Office/DARG	73.69
<u>DD 20/2</u>	Sovereign	Play area inspections	47.99
3663	Horizon	Grounds maintenance: January	1,329.70
3664	Mr Christmas Tree	Christmas Tree	372.00
3665	Mr Bloor	SugarSync (Cloud system)	20.18
3666	Mrs Bloor	First class postage	2.26
3667	Mrs Bloor	Salary: February	1,448.36
3668	HMRC	Tax/NIC's: February	382.73
3669	Andrew's GS	Litter picking: January	632.40
3670	Andrew's GS	Low level maintenance work: January	220.00
		Total	<u>5,135.73</u>

RESOLVED: that the accounts presented for payment be approved.

As per Financial Regs: 5.2, the schedule of payments was signed by the Chairman.

230. INCOME RECEIVED

19-Feb	Alpha Mem's: A2,RA,G15 H/S approved	160.00
21-Feb	A164: Plot x 2 Int/Pre-paid Interment	320.00
29-Feb	HSBC Election: Polling Costs Account	0.01
29-Feb	HSBC Savings (Business) Account	5.56
29-Feb	HSBC Grant Account	0.01
	Total	<u>485.58</u>

RESOLVED: to note the income received

231. CORRESPONDENCE

None.

232. PUBLIC BODIES (ADMISSION TO MEETINGS) ACT 1960

No items were deemed confidential.

233. TO NOTE THE DATE AND TIME OF THE NEXT MEETINGS

TUESDAY, 7 APRIL 2020 at 7pm

The meeting closed at 8.50pm

Signed by the Chairman: _____ Date: _____