

Minutes – 13th June 2018 – 7pm

The meeting opened at 7pm.

18/225 Attendees: Chairperson B. Sugg, Vice Chairperson M. Shepstone, Cllr. M. Beckerleg, Cllr. J. Bennett, Cllr. P. Chant, Cllr. D. Goddard, Cllr. B. Hartley, Cllr. C. Henocq, Cllr. P. Hodge, Cllr. N. Hopkins, Cllr. D. Mead, Cllr. M. Mead, and Cllr. S. Snelling, Clerk G. Macpherson. **Public Attendance:** C.Cllr. M. Keating, D.Cllr. G. Seaton, 5 members of the public.

18/226 Declaration received on 18/229(c) by Cllr. C. Henocq.

18/227 The minutes were approved as an accurate and correct record of the Parish Council meeting held on 9th May 2018. Proposed by Cllr. P. Hodge and seconded by Cllr. P. Chant, all agreed.

18/228 Public Question Time

- (1) Members of the Public were present to express concerns regarding planning application 18/01536/OUT. Safety concerns were expressed with regards to the access on the development and concerns were also expressed regarding the possibility of losing a recreational area.
- (2) County / District Councillors Reports were given. C.Cllr. M. Keating noted that the verge cutting by SSDC in the Parish should be completed in July.

18/229 To discuss and make observations on SSDC - Planning Applications

a. 18/01536/OUT

Resolution: The East Coker Parish Council object to this application. Policy ECCF1 in the East Coker Parish Council Neighbourhood Plan, which has gone through regulations 16, identifies Tellis Cross play area as a protected sports and recreation facility. Proposals for development resulting in the loss of facilities will not be supported. Concerns were also expressed with regards to the restricted view from the access. A vote was taken, 12 object to the application and 1 abstention. Motion carried to object.

b. 18/01449/DPO

Resolution: The East Coker Parish Council object to this application. They have severe reservations to the 106 being removed from 12.95 hectares of land. A vote was taken, 1 in favour of this application, 9 in objection and 3 abstentions. Motion carried to object.

c. 18/01490/S73

Resolution: The East Coker Parish Council have no objections or observations to make. All agreed.

d. 18/01213/LBC

Resolution: The East Coker Parish Council have no objections or observations to make. All agreed.

e. 18/01630/S73

There was some confusion as to the application being on the boundary of the Parish. Subsequently it has been confirmed as being so, **Action:** Clerk to ask for an extension to reply date.

f. 15/01000/OUT – Keyford

A meeting was held with the working group and Mr David Fothergill, Head of County Council. It was noted that the County Council decided school requirement and not the location, which would be decided at District Level.

8pm C.Cllr. M. Keating left the meeting.

18/230 Memorial Approvals

- a. Memorial Approval for Joan Hann was agreed by all.

18/231 To receive the Clerk's report.

- (1) Internal Audit figures were agreed by all and signed by Chairman B. Sugg. Clerk asked if she could use the Old Mill Accounting Company for fiscal 18/19. It was agreed to bring this item forward at the budgeting meeting.
- (2) Internet Host Provider. It was proposed by Cllr. M. Beckerleg and seconded by Cllr. M. Mead to use DAG for the hosting of the email and website. Although the changeover will happen on receipt of passwords from Clerk, the charging period will not start until November 2018. **Resolution:** The charges will be £100 per year for an email and website hosting package. All agreed, motion carried.
- (3) Somerset Village of the Year 2019. It was agreed by all to pay £20 for stationary and another £49 for the music/licence to the video. Details for voting were unclear. **Action:** Clerk to confirm voting details and when confirmed a banner will be made by DAG at a cost of £40, all agreed to the cost. The video created was shown to the Parish Council. Chairman B. Sugg thanked all that were involved, especially the video creators, John Snelling and Matthew Hodge. **Action:** Clerk to ask Matthew Hodge to send the video to Cllr. C. Hencoq so she can upload it onto the website.

18/233 To receive and discuss Parishioner Correspondence

- (1) Pathway Maintenance at Maudslay fields. The Ranger has cut back branches, but the remaining branches are on private land.
- (2) An email has been received to thank the NP team for their efforts, along with the questions of Speed Limit in Village, bus service and school parking issues. **Action:** Clerk to write to parishioner thanking them for their kind comments and informing them that there are projects in progress with regards to easing the traffic issues in the Village.
- (3) WI 100 Year Celebration. It was agreed by all to send the WI a card from the Parish Council giving them congratulations on reaching 100. **Action:** Clerk.
- (4) Missing Iron Gates – Stoney Lane Coker Court. After discussion it was agreed that the Gates mentioned are on Private land and therefore not under the Parish Councils' jurisdiction, but to note to the Parishioner that the Iron Gates at the entrance to the Park fell into disrepair in the 1980's and were removed. The White Gates mentioned are still there but are now black.
- (5) East Coker Flower Show. It was agreed that the event can be listed on the events page on the Parish Councils website, as should other events (Pre School/School Fete) **Action:** Clerk to update. It was agreed that a banner can go up at the Bus Stop to promote the event. Clerk to take dates from the back of the newsletter and update the website.

18/234 To discuss Working Group issues and resolve

- (1) The Neighbourhood Plan. 29 responses have been received at the end of the regulation 16 consultation. The working group are to meet to discuss the comments received. The NP has now gone off to the examiner and they have 6-8 weeks to make comment. It was agreed by 12 councillors, with 1 abstention, that the consultant the Parish Council use for the NP, can work for SSDC as a consultant for the regeneration of Yeovil project, as long as it doesn't affect the relationship the consultant has with the Parish Council.
- (2) Traffic – Speed and Signage
 - a. Bus stop markings were agreed by all. **Action:** Chairman B. Sugg to discuss with Highways.

- b. Pathway. Concerns have been shown regarding the width of the road once the pathway is installed.
- (3) The Cemetery Chapel. The scaffolding has been measured and should be installed in the new few days.

9:15pm D.Cllr. G. Seaton left the meeting.

18/235 Group Representative Reports

- (1) Village Hall – Cllr. M. Beckerleg gave his report.
- (2) Alms Houses – No report to give. Meeting scheduled for Friday 15th June.
- (3) Primary School – No report to give.

18/236 To discuss and identify Highways Issues and resolve

Previously reported pot holes have still not been repaired. **Action:** Clerk to follow up.

18/237 To discuss and identify items for the Village Ranger

- Verges have been cut.
- The slope outside the Pavilion will have an identifying line painted on it next week.
- The storage cupboard will be sorted next week. It was agreed to dispose of the large speakers. **Action:** Chairman B. Sugg and Clerk.

18/238 To discuss and resolve the following topics;

- (1) Calendar Competition – Cllr. C. Henocq. The poster and terms and conditions were agreed and it was resolved to spend £100 on prize money, all agreed. **Action:** Cllr. C. Henocq to distribute posters to shop/café/public houses. Clerk to update website and distribute to the email list.
- (2) Loneliness Awareness – Cllr. S. Snelling is working on how people can help and making it available to a wider selection of people. **Action:** Cllr. S. Snelling to contact the Spark organisation for advice.

9:30pm members of the public left the meeting.

- (3) Trees – TPO's on the trees at Tellis Cross are being investigated and the quotes for the Scout trees should be available at the next meeting.
- (4) Defibrillator Storage Unit / Training – The defibrillator has arrived and, as part of the British Heart Foundation Grant conditions, it has to be in an unlocked, uncoded and located externally. **Resolution.** It was agreed by all to purchase an external case for £425, plus VAT. **Action:** Clerk to ensure that the defibrillator is insured. Training will be organised for September/October.
- (5) Pavilion Users Annual meeting debrief was given.
- o Pavilion Grass Cutting. It was agreed to leave the grass cutting to bi weekly and users to contact Clerk if another cut is required.
 - o Goal Posts. The old posts are on ebay and will be sold shortly. Old metal posts are to be removed as they may be a danger. **Action:** Chairman B. Sugg to arrange. It was noted that the goal posts by the Scout entrance are causing a problem to the guttering and scout hut. It was agreed for the Football Club to look into the purchase of goal protectors, to encourage users to use the other posts.
 - o Car Access. It was agreed by the users for all to be mindful of conditions when bringing cars onto the fields.
 - o Drainage on new pitch. **Action:** Clerk to contact KM Dikes regarding fertilisation of the pitch and spiking.

Chairman B. Sugg asked Council if the cricket field can be used by the West Coker Cricket club temporarily, all agreed. Unlikely to be this season, but the next.

18/239 Agenda items for the next meeting, Wednesday, 11th July 2018, 7.00pm at the Pavilion.

Entrance Welcome Stones

Pavilion

- Fields Fertilisation

- Recreational facilities – Portable Cabins/changing facilities

Trees

18/240 Finance

The following items of expenditure and those paid under delegated powers, proposed by Cllr. N. Hopkins and seconded by Cllr. B. Hartley, all agreed.

Description	Amount	Vat
Bank Balance 1 June 2018	£62,864.60	
Outstanding cheques	0	
VAT expected Q1	£1,223.31	
Incomings Pre School	£ 463.19	
Incomings yet to be banked	£ 105.37	
Clerks Expenses /Office Rent	(£ 41.40)	
Clerks Salary May	(£ 615.15)	
Chalmers - Charges for maintenance of the monthly PAYE		
Records for year ended 5 th April 2018.	(£ 246.00)	£41.00
NP Costs – Stationery – Cllr. S. Snelling	(£ 18.47)	
K M Dike – May	(£ 958.26)	
Claire's Cleaning - May	(£ 180.00)	
Councillor Expenses – 18/19 (5 x £260)	(£1,300.00)	
Pest Control – Mr S Lester	(£50.00)	
Pavilion Electric – EDF	(£312.73)	£14.89
Total to carry forward	£60,934.76	
Expenses received after summons		
Triangle – Blooms – Mrs Sturtridge	(£128.50)	
Bus Shelter Lease – Mrs Sturtridge	(£25.00)	
Professional Memberships – SLCC	(£100.00)	

It was noted to write a thank you letter to Mrs Sturtridge. **Action:** Clerk

The meeting closed at 9:55pm.

Signed: Chairperson B. Sugg

Signed: Clerk, G. Macpherson