

East Coker Parish Council 14th July 2021 Minutes

Attendees:, Vice Chair L Mills, Cllr H Cowan, Cllr T Wilkins, Cllr P Hodge, Cllr R Comstive, Cllr B Sugg, Cllr S Wintersgill, Cllr Warwick-Mortimer, Cllr M Beckerleg, Cllr Snelling, Cllr D Mead Clerk J. Heggarty. Public Attendance: 12 members of the public.

Meeting commenced at 7.00pm at East Coker Pavilion

Chairman Bridgford Whittick was not present so Vice Chair Laura Mills Chaired the meeting.

21/018 To receive any apologies and reasons for non-attendance. Chairperson S Bridgford-Whittick, Cllr J Bennett, D Cllr Clark, D Cllr Seaton

21/019 To receive any declarations of interest in items on this agenda. Cllr D Mead on Agenda item 21/024.4 and 21/022.E Cllr Snelling on 21/022b and Cllr Sugg on 21/024.4

21/020 receive and approve the minutes of the Parish Council, meeting which was held on the 9th June 2021. **Proposed** by Cllr Snelling and **Seconded** by Cllr Wilkins. 2 abstentions due to not attending relevant meeting.

21/021 Public Question Time

- (1) Members of the Public 3 Members of the public spoke and had questions about the Tellis Cross playing fields. Concerns were: Height of houses, heavy plant access, potential further development, What was going to happen to existing play area, Would equipment, be revamped? Did D Cllr Seaton vote in favour of the development? See item 21/022.f
2 Members of the public spoke and objected to item 21/024.5
2 Members of the public spoke on item 21/024.2
- (2) County / District Councillors None
- (3) PCSO None

21/022 To discuss and make observations on SSDC - Planning Applications

F. **Brought forward in meeting** Tellis Cross Field

Cllr Mills started off by thanking the members of the public for their questions.

Cllr Sugg advised that D Cllr Seaton and Cllr Gubbins voted in favour of the outline application and it did not go to the Area South Committee.

Cllr Mills advised that the PC has and still is in communication with SSDC regarding the lease of the remaining part of the field and the equipment. She also advised that until a full planning application was submitted, roof heights and accesses could not be confirmed.

Action: Clerk to keep pressing SSDC for information on the lease.

7.23 6 members of the public left the meeting

A **15/01000/OUT Location:** Keyford Nothing to report

B **21/01724/HOU Location:** Amberley, Long Furlong Lane, **Application:** Proposed dormer windows and internal alterations. Objection email received and circulated to Councillors. This item was discussed and further to 2 site meetings, Councillors were happy to support this application on the proviso that the flank roof window lights in the proposed bathrooms overlooking the neighbours garden are not less than 1.7m from the internal floor, obscured glazed and non-opening. **Proposal:** ECPC support this application providing the above points are adhered to. **Proposed:** Cllr Comstive **Seconded:** Cllr Warwick-Mortimer. **Action:** Clerk to email planning.

C. **21/01815/FUL Location:** Longlands, Longlands Lane, **Application:** Extending the ex-Holiday let to provide a larger unit for Holiday accommodation. Application was discussed. **Proposal:** Providing ECPC policy of installing electric car charge points are adhered to then ECPC have no objections to this application. **Proposed:** Cllr Warwick-Mortimer **Seconded:** Cllr Snelling **Action:** Clerk to email planning.

D. **21/01516/HOU Location:** 49 Tellis Cross, **Application:** Erection of a single storey extension to the rear of the dwelling. This application was discussed and it was felt that it would be an improvement to the property. **Proposal:** ECPC are happy to support this application. **Proposed** Cllr Beckerleg **Seconded:** Cllr Warwick-Mortimer. **Action:** Clerk to email Planning.

E. **21/01987/DPO Location:** Isles Farm, Isles Lane, East Coker, BA22 9JF **Application** to partially Discharge S106 Agreement made between South Somerset District Council and Proprietor dated 5th

October 1994 relating to non-fragmentation of land. It was felt by the ECPC that as this was outside the Parish that there was no comment to be made.

21/023 Memorial Approval: Permission sort for the erection of a head stone to remember the late Mr Peter Adams was granted. All Agreed.

21/024 Matters for discussion and resolution:

1. The Queen's Platinum Jubilee Beacons - 2nd June 2022. Moved item to the September Agenda.
2. There had been complaints prior to the meeting that the lane leading down to Pavyotts Mill was having a lot of work done. The banks had been scraped back a good 6 feet to ground level and the sharp corner which leads on to the bridleway had been drastically widened damaging the hedges. Neither the land owner or the Council had been approached with any request to do the work. Cllr Mills advised that Somerset Enforcement Officers have been out and stopped the work, and we now await further developments.

A member of the public spoke at this point, and said that he had undertaken the works as the banks were falling away and the lane was very narrow with poor visibility. He apologised if it had upset anyone. Their neighbour also spoke in favour of what had been done, and said it would help to protect the road and houses from any future flooding.

8.17: 5 members of the public left

3. Village Sign. Clerk advised that the license had been delayed due to the paperwork/payment not arriving with SCC. She advised this had all been resubmitted.

4. Upgrade of footpath to Bridleway. Y35 and Y46. Again, concerns were raised regarding safety. Also the application states that the path would go from 2 meters wide, to 4 meters and Councillors were concerned that this proposal would mean the grubbing up of hedge rows and loss of wildlife habitat. It was pointed out that there was no evidence when the Parish Survey was produced that anything was done incorrectly to show the footpath was wrongly recorded. There were several opportunities at the time, to correct any errors but no objections to the footpath were ever made.

Proposal: ECPC Object to this application for the above reasons. **Proposed** Cllr Comstive **Seconded** Cllr Beckerleg **Action:** Clerk to write objection letter to Rights of Way Definitive Map Team. This must be submitted prior to the 22nd July.

5. Agree dates for Planning training. Moved until the August meeting.

21/025 To receive the Clerk's report

21/026 To receive correspondence from the SSDC / SCC

21/027 To receive and discuss Parishioner Correspondence

1. Email received about possible use of the Recreation Ground for Cricket Team next season. Councillors felt that this would be an asset and have requested Clerk set up a meeting to discuss the possibility further. **Action** Clerk to email team

21/028 Discuss Working Groups

1. The Pavilion Modernisation: Cllr Hodge advised that she had been informed that if there were multiple sports clubs/groups at the recreation ground it would be easier to secure grant funding. Cllr Hodge is going to set up a working group meeting and report back at August meeting.
2. Future Finance Nothing to report
3. Well Being Cllr Snelling advised that she would be producing another Coker Corona in the next few weeks.

21/029 Group Representative Reports

Village Hall – Cllr L Mills

Alms Houses – Chairman B. Sugg

Primary School – Cllr. C Warwick-Mortimer (change of representative)

21/030 To discuss and identify Highways Issues and resolve. Cllr Sugg requested permission to spend a maximum of £150 on industrial drain rods. All Agreed.

Cllr Mead advised that there were some kerb stones which border the stream outside of the Helyar which were loose, and a couple had fallen in. **Action:** Clerk to contact Highways.

21/031 To discuss and identify items for the Village Ranger. Cllr Sug advised that Dunnocks Lane was very boggy as the sump from the pond was clogged and was overflowing. Ranger had tried to clear it but had had no joy. **Action:** Clerk to contact footpaths.

21/032 To discuss and resolve the following topics;

Resolution sought to exclude the public (*Non Parish Council Members*)

21/033 Agenda items for the next meeting, Wednesday 11th August 2021.

21/034 Finance

To approve the following items of expenditure and those paid under delegated powers.

Description	Amount Inc VAT
Previous Balance	£62,417.51
Funds as 30th June 2021	£60,985.86

Paid Out in June 2021

K M Dike	£1,005.32
Dag Design (Coms Equipment)	£55.00
Ranger Scheme April 2021	£745.92
Chalmers Accountant	£312.00
Village Hall Hire	£63.00
Clerk Wage/ OT/ Phone, broadband and office	£909.51
SLCC Membership	£130.00sion
Clares Cleaning	£125.00
Peninsula Pensions	£224.65
PAYE	£34.84
Total	£3,605.24

Monies in June 2021

Pre School Rent	£471.65
Pre School Electricity Contribution	£223.05
Cemetery	£1,478.89
Total	£2,173.59

July invoices

Claire's Cleaning	£100.00
K M Dike Ground Maintenance	£1,005.32
Clerk Wage, office & broadband - contributions	£773.17
SSDC Ranger Scheme (May 2021)	£932.40
J Excavating (Verge Cutting)	£1,050.00
Simon Lester (Pest Control)	£60.00
Total	£3,920.89
Balance Carried Forward	£57,064.97

Projects Account Balance	£59,910.00
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Meeting ended at 8.43

Signed Chairperson

Signed Vice Chair