

## East Coker Parish Council 8<sup>th</sup> December 2021 Minutes

**Attendees:** Cllr Mills, Cllr H Cowan, Cllr B Sugg, Cllr M Beckerleg, Cllr D Mead, Cllr Warwick-Mortimer, Cllr T Wilkins, Cllr Comstive, Cllr P Hodge, Cllr Wintersgill, Clerk J. Heggarty. Public Attendance: No members of the public. Meeting commenced at 7.00pm at East Coker Pavilion

Vice Chairperson Cllr L Mills chaired the meeting.

**21/118** To receive any apologies and reasons for non-attendance. Cllr Snelling, Cllr Bridford-Whitick, Cllr J Bennett, D Cllr Seaton, D Cllr N Clark

**21/119** To receive any declarations of interest in items on this agenda. All Cllr declared an interest on item 21/022B

**21/120** Minutes of the Parish Council, meeting which was held on the 10<sup>th</sup> November 2021. Where approved. **Proposed:** Cllr Hodge **Seconded:** Cllr S Wintersgill

### **21/121 Public Question Time**

- (1) Members of the Public **None**
- (2) County / District Councillors **None**
- (3) PCSO **None**

### **21/122 To discuss and make observations on SSDC - Planning Applications**

A **15/01000/OUT Location:** Keyford Although Cllr Bennett was not in attendance, he had sent a message to request that a vote could be taken for ECPC to join with Barwick and Stoford Parish Council and write to the Royal Society for the Prevention of Accidents to seek their advice on the proposed Keyford road layout. **Proposed** Cllr Comstive **Seconded:** Cllr Warwick-Mortimer A vote was taken: **All agreed.**

B **21/03283/FUL Location:** East Coker Pavilion **Application:** Construction of new Pavilion Comprising of Parish Hall and Sports Changing Rooms. All Cllr agreed that they were happy with the plans and requested that the clerk contact planning to advise of this but agreed that all were conflicted so could not make further comment.

**21/123 Memorial Approvals.** None

### **21/124 Matters for discussion and resolution:**

1. Local Plan Review – Clerk had sent review out to Councillors prior to the meeting and Cllr Mills asked if everyone was happy for this document to be sent to the SSDC. A vote was taken and all agreed. **Proposed:** Cllr Comstive **Seconded:** Cllr Beckerleg
2. Planning Training Update was moved on to January meeting
3. Paddock Pathway. Cllr Cowen advised that he was in the process of applying for a grant and would forward to clerk when it was ready for submission.
4. Footpath Signs were discussed. Clerk advised that she had been quoted £269.00 per post by a company called Avebury but this did not include inscription. It was felt that there should be a cheaper way of replacing the posts so it was agreed that the Clerk would try and get 3 quotes from separate companies. A vote was taken and all agreed. **Action:** Clerk to get quotes.

### **21/125 To receive the Clerk's report**

18.47 Cllr Comstive left meeting

**1** Tellis Cross. Clerk advised the current maintenance company K M Dike had quoted £560.00 per year for the maintenance of the play park should it be acquired. She also still advised she was waiting on further costings from the insurance company. Cllr Hodge will forward details of possible purchase to the solicitor along with the unilateral agreement to get transfer costs. Action: Cllr Hodge to contact Solicitor and Clerk chase insurance company.

18.49 Cllr Comstive returned

**2.** Trees at Saw Mills. Cllr Bennett messaged prior to meeting to advise that necessary works had been carried out by Hi-line at the beginning of the month. Some trees had been trimmed back but unfortunately 3 had to be removed. The trees which had to be removed will be replaced. He advised one had already been replaced with a Cherry but asked for a vote to be taken to replace other 2 with either Oak, Cherry or Maple. A vote was taken and all agreed in favour of the Maple. Proposed: Cllr Comstive Seconded: Cllr Beckerleg. Action: Clerk to update Cllr Bennett.

Clerk reminded everyone of the Precept meeting to be held on the 10<sup>th</sup> January at 7pm

**21/126 To receive correspondence from the SSDC / SCC** None

**21/127 To receive and discuss Parishioner Correspondence**

1. Clerk advised that a member of the public had called to say that the cross and prayer book was missing from the chapel. She advised that she had requested that the PCSO popped into the Chapel occasionally to make their presence known. Cllr Comstive agreed to ask the church for a new prayer book so this could be placed in there.
2. Complaint over use of land opposite new house Badgers Way, King Spring Lane, BA22 9LL. Cllr Mead advised that this plot of land had been sold and the new owner had done a lot of tidying up, and gravelled the gateway which they are in their rights to do. He advised that it was classed as agricultural use. Clerk advised that there had been no application for change of use to date. **Action:** Clerk to update the Parishioner of comments.
3. Fallen tree near Pavyotts Mill were discussed and the Clerk advised that the property which borders the footpath, are investigating who owns the land that the tree stand on, as it has damaged their fence very badly. The footpath is still passable.

**21/128 Discuss Working Groups**

1. **Pavilion Modernisation.** Cllr Hodge advised planning permission had been applied for and in the new year a meeting will be held and the 106 monies will be requested from SSDC.
2. **Wellbeing** Nothing to report
3. **Future Finance.** Clerk advised that budget meeting was held and the 2022 budget would be sent to all Councillors in early January

**21/129 Group Representative Reports**

Village Hall – Cllr L Mills Nothing

Alms Houses – Chairman B. Sugg

Primary School – Cllr.Warwick-Mortimer

**21/130 To discuss and identify Highways Issues and resolve.**

Cllr Sugg advised that the rubble from the refurbishment at Holly Cottage had not been cleared even though the owner had been written to. Clerk will now report it to SSDC as a fly tip.

Cllr Mills advised there had been further flooding at Holywell and that the ranger and Cllr Mead had spent hours trying to clear drains as the road had turned into a river. Cllr Mead advised that he had walked up the West Coker Road when it was raining and the water was running off the road and onto Coker side fields as the drains were completely block on West Coker Road. Some of which were not even visible due to vegetation. Clerk will report this to Highways and also West Coker PC.

**21/131 To discuss and identify items for the Village Ranger** Sign beside the dog bin near Tellis Cross needs repairing.

**21/132 To discuss and resolve the following topics;**

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

**21/133 Agenda items for the next meeting, Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> January 2022**

**21/134 Planning decisions**

1. 21/03235/s73 Hunts House, Holywell, East Coker. Clerk update that this application had been approved.

**21/134 Finance**

**Previous Balance**

**Funds as of 1<sup>st</sup> Dec 2021**

**Amount Inc VAT**

**£53,215.65**

**£45,708.59**

**Monies in Nov 2021**

Pre School Rent

**Total**

£471.65

**£471.65**

**To be paid Out November**

Christmas Light

Pavilion Planning Application Fee

Halves Lane Dog Bin Replacement

Claire's Cleaning

K M Dike

Amazon (New Printer & Cartridges)

£318.87

£1,183.00

£211.91

£125.00

£945.32

£194.04

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|-------------------------------------------|------------------|
| Clerks wage, office, broadband & back pay | £930.63          |
| Pension Contribution                      | £283.41          |
| HMRC                                      | £102.22          |
| Alan Young Ltd                            | £3,648.00        |
| Viking Stationary                         | £36.31           |
| <b>Total</b>                              | <b>£7,942.40</b> |

**To Pay in December**

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| John Burton Signs                  | £192.00           |
| Footprint Future                   | £997.00           |
| Drain Rods                         | £209.75           |
| Sign Repair                        | £150.00           |
| Clerk Wage, Office, Broadband      | £814.76           |
| HMRC                               | £20.57            |
| Pension                            | £231.80           |
| October Ranger                     | £745.92           |
| Flaydemouse (wonder walk printing) | £31.20            |
| <b>Total</b>                       | <b>£3,393.00</b>  |
| <b>Balance</b>                     | <b>£42,319.59</b> |

**Above figures will be subject to change due to receipt of any outstanding invoices.**

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| Projects Account Balance | £59,910.00 |
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