

Sandon Parish Council



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MINUTES

Minutes of the Meeting of Sandon Parish Council held on Wednesday 9th November at 7.30pm at Sandon Village Hall.

Present: Cllr James de Uphaugh (Chairman), Cllr Bridget Wordley (Vice-Chair), Cllr Keith Chamberlain, Cllr Helen Coates, Cllr Ian Dell.

In attendance: Sarah Wylie - Clerk, Caroline Scott - Responsible Financial Officer.

One Parishioner.

Apologies for absence were received from Cllr Steve Jarvis.

1.11.22	To receive and approve apologies for absence. Steve Jarvis.
2.11.22	To receive members declaration of any pecuniary interest connected to the agenda. None
3.11.22	To approve the minutes of the Meeting of the Parish Council held on the 14 th September 2022, and to authorise the Chairman to sign them as a true record. Outstanding: track down Roe Wood - no change in condition. BW to follow up with Mark Faure Walker. JdeU proposed, KC seconded.
4.11.22	To invite members of the public to address the meeting. None.
5.11.22	PC vacancy and Co-option. Janice Darton has resigned - JdeU wrote to thank her etc...BW highlighted a potential problem re the quorum. Brief discussion on whether people knew of parishioners keen to join the PC. Blue sky discussion on potential merger with a similar Council to defray fixed costs in times of increasing costs - but this would be a long drawn

	<p>out process and difficult to execute - need to make plans meanwhile. Clerk to put it in the Sandon Village gazette. James to provide text.</p>
6.11.22	<p>To hear from the Financial Officer - monthly totals, approval for expenses and invoices received (and for prior approval). JdeU proposed KC seconded. Mandate - CS to change the address concerning HC. JD to no longer be on it. CS to email Customer Services to check. Budget - documents will be found on the website. JD - pond - she can apply for funding from the Council. Clerk to make her aware. JdeU propose. KC seconded.</p>
7.11.22	<p>To hear reports from the nominated representatives for the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Highways: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Salt - HC to be delivered to Lye Farm = 34 x 1kilo sacks. All sorted. Available to anyone but roads only. 2. Handrail opposite the school - there are now cones (it is Highways land) - they came out the same day but they have not mended them yet. 3. A507 Weight Limit Experimental Traffic Regulation Order Letter. There is a deadline to fill in consultation - lots of objections. Apply for monitoring - JdeU to ask SJ on how to proceed. • Access - Roe Wood track promise has not been kept. BW to follow up with Mark Faure Walker. • Church - nothing to note. • Pond - Janice email. She has a ready team of volunteers to get started. Clerk to make her aware that the Council can provide a grant for the project. • Sports Club and Roe Green - BW / ID led a discussion on land registry at Roe Green. Good discussion prior to meeting with William Faure Walker. Work in progress. To invite William Faure Walker to chat with the Council - JdeU to email him. • Village Hall - Village green to be cut by Sandra Scott after the 11th. Caroline to pay a cheque - JdeU proposed KC seconded. • School - new headteacher. Mrs Nikki Ellement - a very positive move. 14 years of teaching experience. Clerk to draft a welcome letter from the Council. • Planning - to discuss any planning applications lodged by date of meeting. 22/02643/FP - this has been amended.

	BW to draft a letter to NHDC to state Council concern about the many iterations of this project.
8.11.22	To discuss matters relating to North Herts and Herts CC. Local Government Boundary Commission for England. Response to the Boundary Commission is needed. JdeU to write - we would prefer to keep the status quo.
9.11.22	To discuss website. Now working - Caroline and the Clerk to update and renew.
10.11.22	To receive matters for report and/or referral to next agenda (info only). None.
11.11.22	Note correspondence received. None.
12.11.22	To confirm date of next meeting. Not decided as high Councillor absence in January. Clerk to sort out the dates to be agreed and book the hall accordingly.