

# Minutes of Sutton Cheney Parish Council Meeting held on Monday 7<sup>th</sup> March 2022 at Sutton Cheney Village Hall, Main Street, Sutton Cheney

#### **Parish Councillors Present:**

Andrew Copson (Chair) Val Pritchard
Peter Dyde John Plant

In Attendance

26 Members of the Public Borough Councillor Jonathan Collett

### 51/22 **PUBLIC PARTICIPATION**

A member of the public raised an issue with the Council's code of conduct and correspondence from Cllr Dyde. Cllr Copson stated that the matter will be passed to Clerk.

A member of the public stated that they were keen for the Council to adopt the Neighbourhood Plan urgently.

A member of the public commented that the alleged conflict of interest is not relevant to the Neighbourhood Plan as the planning document is not concerned with ownership. They urged the Council to adopt the Neighbourhood Plan.

A member of the public stated that the item on Dadlington Village Green was undemocratic with 2 Councillor vacancies for Dadlington Ward.

A member of the public raised queries over the User Agreement for Dadlington Village Green. The Chair answered that the agreement would go out to consultation for the public.

A member of the public stated that the User Agreement was a reasonable document as long as it not enforced on dog walkers and members of the public.

A member of the public asked whether a covering letter will be drafted and adopted by Council in connection with the User Agreement. The Chair answered that the Clerk will draft an explanation of why the consultation is taking place.

52/22	APOLOGIES The Council unanimously approved apologies received by Cllr Long.	
53/22	DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST PECUNIARY AND NON-PECUNIARY None received	
54/22	PREVIOUS MINUTES  The Council resolved to adopt the draft minutes from the Parish Council Meeting held on 10th February with no amendments made.	
55/22	<ul> <li>BOROUGH AND COUNTY COUNCILLOR REPORTS         The Council noted an update from Borough Councillor Jonathan Collett:         <ul> <li>Last full HBBC Council meeting approved the budget using £3M from reserves to balance it with Council tax going up by £5 and brown bin charge rise to £35.</li> <li>Stoke Golding has approved its Neighbourhood Plan</li> <li>Objection to a site in Stoke Golding advertising a housing development with one also appearing in Dadlington. Both are currently being enforced</li> <li>MIRA expansion is taking over 50 acres of land south of A5 for warehouse/manufacturing units. Consultation is currently underway.</li> <li>No news on Sibson car sales on Sibson Lane, Shenton. Clerk to action an update and circulate accordingly.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	
56/22	The Council noted the report from County Councillor Bertie Harrison-Rushton	
57/22	DADLINGTON VILLAGE GREEN USER AGREEMENT  The Council approved the draft Dadlington Village Green User Agreement for consultation with residents	
58/22	DADLINGTON NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN  The Council deferred the adoption of Dadlington Neighbourhood Plan	

59/22	SUTTON CHENEY GATEWAY DESIGN  The Council deferred the options for gateway entrances for Sutton Cheney
60/22	CODE OF CONDUCT  The Council adopted the new Code of Conduct published by Hinckley and Bosworth Borough Council
61/22	MEMBERSHIP ON COUNCIL COMMITTEES  The Council deferred the nomination of members to join the Finance Committee
62/22	The Council appointed Cllr Plant to the Neighbourhood Plan Committee
63/22	FORMAL RESPONSES TO PUBLIC CONSULTATION  The Council resolved to respond to Leicestershire's Waste & Recycling consultation
64/22	The Council resolved to respond to the Hinckley Rail Freight Consultation
65/22	The Council resolved to defer a decision on responding to the Community Governance Review
66/22	FINANCE The Council resolved to adopt the financial statement for February 2022
67/22	The Council noted the closing bank balance for February 2022 of £18,872.58
68/22	The Council adopted the revised budget for 2022/23
69/22	The Council resolved to seek quotes to appoint an internal auditor for financial year 2021/22
70/22	PLANNING The Council resolved to formally object to the outline planning application 21/00966/OUT - Residential Development for up to 90 dwellings with public open space, landscaping, sustainable drainage system (SuDS) (resubmission of 20/00345/OUT) (outline - access only)   Land South Of Market Bosworth Cemetery Shenton Lane Market Bosworth Leicestershire

#### 71/22 CLERKS REPORT

The Clerk gave an update on recent correspondence:

- Correspondence from LCC's Community Recovery Team asking to attend an upcoming PC Meeting to talk about how their team can support volunteers in the community to act as Covid Health Champions to support those who have become isolated after Covid.
- Correspondence from 1485 Sculpture Trail with a timetable of drop in sessions showcasing the maquettes that will be installed as part of the Sculpture Trail, 4 of the 5 being installed within the Parish. Anyone with photos is encouraged to send them to the Clerk to put them on the website.
- The Canal & Rivers Trust have commenced the Trusts internal approvals process with the draft licence for the defibrillator to be installed at Sutton Cheney Wharf located between Sutton Cheney and Dadlington.
- The RCC Awards have been launched to put the spotlight onto individuals and groups that go the extra mile to help, support, or improve their rural community.
- Correspondence from County Councillor Harrison Rushton stating that he is unable to attend all Parish Council meetings in person and finds that his time is better resourced by providing PC's with written reports and then picking up on case-work over the phone and email as it arises. If Cllrs would like him to attend a PC meeting in person, please let him know in advance over email to set a date. Where not attending physically, the written report will be provided instead that will be sent out 1st of every month, excluding August and December.
- Correspondence from LCC regarding the crisis in Ukraine
- Correspondence from two members of the public one the Dadlington Neighbourhood Plan and one about accessing the Council's Finances.
- Correspondence from LCC Highways regarding Street Lighting Columns and a new support service

## 72/22 **MEMBERS REPORTS**

Cllr Copson spoke about an informal meeting with Councillors to discuss a draft 3 year plan for projects and activities across the Parish that the Parish Council can deliver that will be presented to Council shortly. He also held a moment of silence for Ukraine, observing that people were fighting and dying there for democracy.

Councillor Prichard commented on a successful day at the HBBC Rural Conference led by Cllr Martin Cartwright where she spoke as a guest speaker for Sutton Cheney defibrillator. She also spoke about an upcoming finance workshop with Councillors.

Councillor Dyde spoke about the Dadlington Neighbourhood Plan and the 1485 Sculpture Trail that he is honoured are going to be installed across the Parish. Councillor Dyde was asked to also present at HBBC's Rural Conference to speak about rural speeding.

Meeting closed at 8:05pm	
Chair	Date