

MINUTES OF SUTTON CHENEY PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON WEDNESDAY 12th SEPTEMBER 2018 AT 7:30pm AT DADLINGTON VILLAGE HALL, THE GREEN, DADLINGTON

Parish Councillors Present:

Ambrose Long Sarah Roberts Lind Mayne Alan Summers Suzanne Clarke

In Attendance

60 Members of the Public Joanne Lowe (Parish Clerk) County Councillor Ivan Ould Borough Council Reg Ward Mr James Gibson - Safe and Sustainable Travel Manager, Leicestershire County Council PC Robert Cross – Market Bosworth Division, Leicestershire Police

062/18 PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

James Gibson introduced himself and his role managing the Community Speedwatch initiative across Leicestershire. He spoke about the previous speedwatch project that took place in Sutton Cheney in 2007 which led to the purchase of a speed indicator device for the Parish. A road safety tutor then spoke about the training for Community Speedwatch, in particular its focus on raising awareness. For a scheme to start, 200 signatures from the community (or around 20% of smaller communities) are needed as well as a scheme co-ordinator and a minimum of 6 volunteers. Following training, the equipment is then loaned for 2 weeks and offenders are sent letters. Even though the scheme is not enforceable, if the scheme sends out above 200 letters, this often leads to triggering enforcement action from the Police.

One resident was concerned that the scheme has "no clout" and Mr Gibson suggested that the higher the response, the more likely that enforcement will follow as a result. Several residents wanted some kind of permanent traffic calming to reduce speed – suggestions included chicanes, speeding tables, bumps and painting 30mph on the road surface. County Councillor Ivan Ould spoke about the 7 new average speed cameras zones across Leicestershire and the possibility of extending this to make the scheme mobile in future. He also spoke about how some Parish Councils have installed traffic calming measures – he gave the example of Higham on the Hill Parish Council paying £7000 for a chicane. He also spoke about the speed on Fenn Lane to 50 mph and the issue regarding how this will be enforced by County Council.

One resident spoke about the SPID's not working, that they are poorly lit and need proper maintainance in future. He also spoke about the importance of education and raising the

profile of the speed limit. Mr Gibson suggested the use of S106 monies to fund schemes and something visual like bin stickers can be a cost effective way of promoting the speed limit locally.

PC Rob Cross commented that only 1% of motorists are caught speeding whilst Police are doing enforcement work. However there is no definitive answer to controlling speeding as effectiveness ranges between villages from SPID's to chicanes etc. He also agreed that Community Speedwatch was an effective deterrent.

Following a question regarding chicances and whether Parishioners would have to pay for one, Councillor Reg Ward spoke about how the community knows best about how to solve the problem in the Parish and that paying for speed calming measures may be something the Council needs to consider. One resident asked about painting 30 mph on the road and Ivan Ould agreed to pursue the inquiry with officers at County Council.

APOLOGIES

063/18 None received

DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST PECUNIARY AND NON-PECUNIARY

064/18 None received.

PREVIOUS MINUTES

065/18 It was resolved to accept the minutes from the Parish Council meeting on Wednesday 11th July 2018. Proposed Cllr Roberts, seconded Cllr Summers.

BOROUGH AND COUNTY COUNCILLORS REPORTS

066/18 It was noted the report from County Councillor Ivan Ould. Reg Ward spoke about the recent MIRA planning application on Bosworth Battlefield that has been deferred due to complaints regarding lack of information. Future consultations will involve Historic England and the Battlefield Trust but need careful negotiation is required due to MIRA's status of a key enterprise zone for the Midlands. County Councillor added that the development affected 0.5% of the battlefield site and commented on the significance of driverless cars and its potential impact for isolated people in rural areas.

SPEEDING IN PARISH

- 067/18 Cllr Roberts commented on the need to petition the village to ask if they want to participate in a community speedwatch and who would be the scheme co-ordinator. She also spoke about the prospect of raising the precept or generating other funds if traffic calming measures such as chicanes need to be purchased by the Council. She also suggested some kind of gateage / decorative feature to promote the speed limit locally. Cllr Summers was keen to deliver actions and it was suggested that an extraordinary meeting is needed in order to resolve this.
- **068/18** It was not resolved to accept the risk assessment for the Installation and Site Rotation of Speed Indicator Devices. Proposed Cllr Mayne, seconded Cllr Summers.

- 069/18 It was not resolved to offer relevant training outlined in the risk assessment to any volunteer offering to maintain the speed indicator devices on behalf of the Council. Proposed Cllr Mayne, seconded Cllr Summers.
- 070/18 It was not resolved to request that any volunteer offering to maintain the speed indicator devices on behalf of the Council sign and agree to the role description and associated risk assessment. Proposed Cllr Mayne, seconded Cllr Summers.
- 071/18 It was not resolved to purchase the equipment outlined in the relevant risk assessment for the volunteers who maintain the speed indicator devices to use. Proposed Cllr Mayne, seconded Cllr Summers.

SHED ON ALLOTMENT

072/18 It was resolved to allow a plotholder to install a shed on Sutton Cheney allotments. Proposed Cllr Mayne, seconded Cllr Clarke.

STREETLIGHTS

- 073/18 It was resolved for Cllr Summers to complete the risk assessment for not repairing streetlights as requested by our insurers. Proposed Cllr Roberts, seconded Cllr Clarke.
- 074/18 Cllr Roberts spoke about LED upgrades and the potential for LCC to adopt the lights if we upgrade them. She also spoke about the importance of repairing lights and our duty of care to residents. The Clerk circulated a letter of complaint from the resident living nearby for Cllrs to consider. Cllr Summers was regretful about the resolution not to repair them and suggested that the Council repair streetlights as they fail with either SOX lamps or LED's as well as repairing columns as well as removing some lights that are surplus to requirements. The Clerk was asked to research further information pending the extraordinary meeting.

CODE OF CONDUCT

075/18 It was resolved to adopt a revised Code of Conduct for Sutton Cheney Parish Council. Proposed Cllr Roberts, seconded Cllr Clarke.

PLAYING AREAS IN DADLINGTON AND SUTTON CHENEY

076/18 Cllr Roberts introduced the idea of installing a small play area on Dadlington Village Green and the area near to Sutton Cheney Allotments for young families to use. Cllr Clarke had concerns about maintenance. Cllr Mayne suggested a feasibility study although it was informally agreed that a community consultation exercise asking Parishioners what they want would be a better solution. A leaflet drop, online survey and a drop in session was discussed.

PARKING ON DADLINGTON VILLAGE GREEN

077/18 Cllr Roberts spoke about recent complaints regarding parking on the village green. It was informally discussed that the Clerk should be the person who writes to any offender asking them not to park on the green.

PARISH COUNCIL MEETINGS

- 078/18 The Council voted 3 Cllr for and 2 Cllrs against to resolve to change the Parish Council meeting start time to 7:45pm.
- 079/18 It was not resolved to change the Parish Council meeting day.

CORRESPONDENCE AND CLERKS REPORT

080/18 The Clerk gave an update on progress since January 2018.

PLANNING

- 081/18 18/000828/HOU Single storey front extension No comment made.
- 082/18 To consider any planning applications received since issuing of the agenda None received

FINANCE

- 083/18 It was resolved to approve the financial statement for July-August 2018. Proposed Cllr Summers, seconded Cllr Roberts.
- 084/18 It was resolved to approve the budget monitoring statement at the end of Q2. Proposed Cllr Summers, seconded Cllr Roberts.
- 085/18 It was resolved to approve and sign cheques totalling £1070.86. Proposed Cllr Summers, seconded Cllr Roberts.
- **086/18** It was noted the response from S106 officer at HBBC regarding rules for spending S106 within the Parish.
- 087/18 It was resolved to arrange a prepaid payment card of £500 for the Clerk to use for the administration of Council expenditure. Proposed Cllr Clarke, seconded Cllr Roberts.

088/17 MEMBER'S REPORTS

Cllr Roberts updated the Council about DVHC developments. The committee are looking at installing a shed and replacing the village hall sign. The defibrillator will be installed soon with training to follow. Future events will include film nights and the Xmas light switch on will be 7th Dec – all welcome.

The meeting finished at 9:55pm.

Chair Da

Date