



Sutton Cheney Parish Council

MINUTES OF SUTTON CHENEY PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON WEDNESDAY 16TH JANUARY 2018 AT SUTTON CHENEY VILLAGE HALL, MAIN STREET, SUTTON CHENEY

Parish Councillors Present:

Sarah Roberts
Linda Mayne
Alan Summers

Suzanne Clarke
Julia Jarvis

In Attendance

5 Members of the Public; Joanne Lowe (Parish Clerk)

PRESENTATION FROM LEICESTERSHIRE POLICE AND QUESTIONS FROM THE PUBLIC

- 1/19 The Chair introduced PC Emma Maxwell and PC Robert Cross from Leicestershire Police. PC Maxwell spoke about how the Police have moved away from a centralised approach to responsive policing, investigations and neighbourhood policing which allows the sharing of information across departments. Due to limited resources and a relatively small team of 21 PCSO's, 18 PC's and 8 Sergeants (this area - NH29 - is policed by 2 PC's and 2 PCSO's), this has led to a newsletter which is circulated across each area to keep people updated as well as an active social media page to show where the police have been patrolling etc.
- 2/19 In terms of crime, stats in NH29 is on a downward trend, apart from theft of vehicles due to cloning of keyless entry cars. These figures do not include attempted crimes. There is an issue regarding fear of crime and PC Maxwell urged the public to contact her if this is an issue for any residents. PC Maxwell also spoke about the issues in getting through to the 101 helpline but spoke about how the system is being upgraded, including reporting crimes online.
- 3/19 Cross border criminality is an ongoing issue as each force uses a different database and information is not commonly shared. However, the MPT and beat teams are forging better relations with neighbouring police forces and more information is now being shared, resulting in some recent successes. Due to limited resources, issues such as overweight lorries, pavement parking and speeding are not a priority. Under reporting is also an issue so PC Maxwell urged the public to report crimes so that the Police can identify areas where crime is prevalent and so priorities and funding can be readjusted.
- 4/19 The chair asked about how the community can help and PC Maxwell agreed to pass over the details for Neighbourhood Watch Coordinator (Jackie). PR Robert Cross also suggested that a WhatsApp group is particularly effective. One member of the public commended RuralWatch and its effectiveness. PC Cross spoke about Ruraltext which informs the public via text message and residents should get in touch if they want to be added to the database.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

- 5/19 A member of the public commented on the proposed increase in precept and increases in costs on the draft budget for 2019/20.

APOLOGIES

6/19 Apologies were received by Cllr Ambrose Long and Cllr Pamela Tebbatt-Mills.

DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST PECUNIARY AND NON-PECUNIARY

7/19 None

PREVIOUS MINUTES

8/19 The Council resolved to adopt the draft minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on 18th December 2018 as a true record of the meeting with no amendments made.

BOROUGH AND COUNTY COUNCILLORS REPORTS

9/19 The Council congratulated Cllr Ould on his OBE and a letter of congratulations will be posted to him from the Parish Council.

ROSE BANK, DADLINGTON

10/19 It was unanimously not resolved for the Parish Council to consider quotations to investigate the structural stability of Rose Bank.

11/19 As a result of minute 10/19, it was not resolved to use s106 monies towards the cost of this work.

DADLINGTON VILLAGE GREEN - TREE WORK

12/19 It was resolved for Beddows Tree Services to undertake minor work on the weeping willow on Dadlington Village Green.

RESIDENT SURVEY RESULTS

13/19 It was noted the results from the Residents Survey and how the results will impact the budget for 2019 – 2020. There were 3 major areas that residents wanted addressing through the survey – traffic calming measures, streetlights and enhancement of public space. Residents were also happy for the precept to increase in order to tackle these issues.

14/19 It was resolved that Cllr Jarvis takes the lead for the Community Speedwatch scheme

15/19 It was not resolved for Cllr Clarke to administer the WhatsApp to widen the Council's social media impact due to the lack of residents at the Parish Council meeting.

DRAFT BUDGET & PRECEPT – 2018/19

16/19 It was resolved to adopt the draft budget with the following amendments:

1. To add church donations for churchyard mowing of £1000
2. To completely remove the S137 grant scheme
3. To amend the cost of 3 x vehicle activated speed signs to £6340

17/19 It was unanimously resolved to request a precept of £14,577.74 for the financial year 2019/2020.

COMMUNITY AND PARISH INITIATIVE FUND

18/19 It was resolved to apply to the fund to receive 50% match funding towards the purchase and installation of vehicle activated signs in Shenton, Sutton Cheney and Dadlington

19/19 It was resolved to apply to the fund to receive 50% match funding towards the streetlight LED upgrade project

20/19 It was resolved to authorise the CPIF application from Sutton Cheney Church

PLANNING

21/19 18/01249/HOU - First floor side extension with dormer window and outbuilding to front - Lower Ambion House, Ambion Ln, Sutton Cheney CV13 0AD – no comment

FINANCE

22/19 It was resolved to approve the financial statement for November – December 2018

23/19 It was resolved to approve the budget monitoring statement at the end of Q3

24/19 It was resolved to approve and sign cheques totalling £1768.16.

CORRESPONDENCE AND CLERKS REPORT

25/19 The Clerk gave a report and update on correspondence

MEMBER'S REPORTS

26/19 None

The meeting closed at 22:55.

Chair Date