

**MINUTES OF THE ORDINARY PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON THURSDAY 15th June 2017 AT
7.15PM AT STENSON FIELDS PRIMARY SCHOOL, STENSON FIELDS**

Present: - Cllrs R Lisewski (Chair), P Richardson, K Rogers, and P Bonnell.
In attendance: - County Cllr Neil Atkin, District Cllr D Shepherd and J Irons (clerk).

825/17 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Cllrs C Fellows, GS Dhillon, K Butterworth (holiday), A Singh (work commitments) and Manjit Chahal (work commitments). Cllr I Baker was absent.

826/17 VARIATION OF ORDER OF BUSINESS None

827/17 DECLARATION OF MEMBERS INTERESTS Cllr Lisewski declared an interest at agenda item 9.3

828/17 PUBLIC SPEAKING

a) Police - No representative from the police was present and no report had been provided.

b) District and County Councillor Reports

Cllr Neil Atkin.

Cllr Atkin introduced himself as the new county councilor for the ward and read the following report:

I have now been issued with an official contact email address to receive any enquiries on the following link:

Neil.Atkin@derbyshire.gov.uk

From time to time people may contact me on my District Council contact details on matters requiring urgent queries or responses. Neil.atkin@south-derbys.gov.uk

In future I can only be contacted by email or the text messaging service due to hearing problems, it will be more efficient and faster as I shall be in meetings most of the time and will reply as and when appropriate.

Mobile messaging number: 07970 337 178

My PA is Sue Harrison and she will deal with my correspondence and any telephone calls, I will present you with her contact details as outlined below now everything has settled after moving into new offices. Please note that my PA is only available by telephone on weekdays in the mornings and at any other time by email contact.

Members Secretary

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To clarify for audit purposes may I ask the Parish Council to submit any questions in advance of a PC meeting to enable answers to be reported in advance or presented verbally or should a question be raised at the meeting by a Parish Councillor / member of public to be sent to me to be looked into and resolved as a matter of public record.

Member Surgeries:

Regarding my member surgery arrangements to cover the local Parish Areas listed at the top of my report it has been decided to cease this arrangement due to new safety guidance in light of the Jo Cox situation we have been advised not to run members surgeries alone, In the meantime I shall be available by appointment to visit individuals at home or at a neutral location to address their enquiries.

Appointments:

My County Council appointments thus so far are:

Vice- Chairman – Pensions & Investments Committee

Derbyshire Combined Fire Authority

Derby & Derbyshire Development Plans Joint Advisory Board

Outside Bodies:

East Midlands Chamber of Commerce

Elvaston Castle & Country Park Members Working Party

*Elvaston Quarry Liaison Committee
Museum of the Mercian Regiment (Worcestershire & Sherwood Foresters Collection)
Nottingham East Midlands Airport Independent Consultative Committee
Member Champion*

Armed Forces Covenant

To Conclude:

In future I hope to send a copy of my County Council report to the clerk in advance of the meeting or afterwards for clarification purposes.

I hope to join you at a future meeting and look forward to working with members of the Parish Council.

News From DCC:

Broadband.

I have sent a copy in advance of the work undertaken by Digital Derbyshire across the Aston Division so far. An update by BT will be presented to the County Council towards the end of June. Should you have any further queries please do not hesitate to send in your queries regarding this service. I understand a letter an official letter from the parish has been received by the officers of Digital Derbyshire and a response has been made. A meeting to update the parishes will be arranged in due course & invitations shall be sent in advance.

DCC Local Area committees

The previous arrangement for local area committees have now been deleted from the diary calendar and scrapped.

Dead Birds & Loose Dogs

Thank you for the email highlighting the issues on the Trent & Mersey canal of dead birds, these matters should be reported to DEFRA and the guidance can be found on their website. The following advice is given

- *Wild Birds*

If you find dead wild waterfowl (swans, geese or ducks) or other dead wild birds, such as gulls or birds of prey, you should report them to the DEFRA helpline (03459 33 55 77).

We then collect some of these birds and test them to help us understand how the disease is distributed geographically and in different types of bird.

We publish a report (updated regularly) on findings of highly pathogenic avian influenza (bird flu) H5N8 in Wild Birds in Great Britain.

If the bird has been illegally killed for food and is an protected species, the n an offence has been committed. The police are the enforcement agency as well as Natural England and the national Wildlife crime Unit. Again as outlined earlier please can the observer call 101

- *Loose Dogs at Saxon Gate Development*

This part of Stenson Fields was not included in the Dogs on Leads Public Spaces Protection Order issued earlier this year by SDDC, therefore we have the District Council have no power to require dog owners to keep their dog on a lead.

Nevertheless if a dog is acting aggressively – and definitively if it has attacked someone, then the Dog Control Unit of Derbyshire Constabulary need to be involved. It needs to be reported through the 101 number.

Just as a heads up, when callers start talking to the police Contact centre about the dog, their first response is often “Call the Council”. Stay persistent and insist on registering the complaint for attention of the Dog Unit.

Public Open Space at Saxon Gate

I have received a complaint from a resident regarding the public open space at Saxon Gate to say residents have had no information regarding the play area and community centre. Local ward members have been copied in with the complaint.

A response from the officers at SDDC is outlined below:

‘With regards to the play area, SDDC share the resident’s concerns and are currently liaising with the developer to establish why the site has been left in such a poor state. The fencing, we are given to understand, is temporary but the broken fencing, dead trees and poorly executed play area really is not acceptable to SDDC. The planning enforcement officer is on the case’ (also, see DCllr Shepherd’s report below).

The community centre is part of a long standing section 106 commitment, and the SDDC Communities team and Development management officers have been working with developers to negotiate a building that will provide useful community space for all. SDDC are expecting a planning application to be submitted in the very near future.

Last updated: 15th June 2017

The chairman had corresponded with Cllr Fellows prior to the meeting to ask Cllr Atkin about the following:

- 1) Reduction of speed limit on Stenson Rd from 40 to 30 mph;
- 2) A crossing point to be provided on Stenson Rd;
- 3) Resolution of a water leak on Stenson Rd (from Railway Bridge towards Grampian Way);
- 4) Parking on the island on Stenson Rd/Grampian Way;
- 5) No 7 bus loop to be extended to Island on Arleston Lane/Deepdale Lane.

Items 1,2 & 4 - Both Cllr Atkin and DCllr Shepherd will raise these at the next Safer Neighbourhood meeting; Cllr Atkin may also raise these with Highways.

Item 3 has been addressed by DCllr Shepherd (see below) and so Cllr Atkin will await the outcome from this for now.

Item 5- DCllr Shepherd agreed to chase Arriva over this and a bus timetable for a stop on Stenson Road.

DCllr Dave Shepherd

DCllr Shepherd circulated and read following report which reads as follows:

1. New Dog Bin on Wragley Way. Enquiry with SDDC over 2 bins at Wragley Way and a corroded bin at Zetland Crescent are included in a review of bin provision which is underway. Replacement of a litter bin at Arleston Lane to be included in the assessment.
2. Community Facility. The application for this was due to go before Planning Committee before the end of May. When it did not appear, DCllr Shepherd was informed that SDDC expected to receive it before the end of May. Application still not received but once it is it will be subject to 6-week public consultation.
3. Lack of progress by Derby City Council Regarding s.106 money intended to mitigate traffic problems at the junction of Blagreaves Lane & Stenson Road/Goodsmoor Road. DCllr Shepherd asked SDDC Principal Planning Officer Chris Nash. This was then referred to Rachael Reid of Derby City Council who informed that the work is being undertaken by contractors who will be finished by 26th June. After that date, Derby City Council works will start and continue until October. Expect further temporary traffic lights.
4. DCllr Shepherd met with PCSO Waite and SDDC Neighbourhoods Officer C Smith 12th June 2017 regarding the following:
 - Suspected Drug Dealing – Residents noticed suspicious cars and individuals passing packets. The 3 gentlemen met with residents and gave car numbers and descriptions to the Police.
 - ASB at Open Space Eggesford Road/Beaufort Road – Look again at planting trees/ hedge to prevent ball constantly kicked against fence.
 - ASB – Earls Drive. Arrests made, caravan on the drive being lived in. Contacted housing association, Derwent Living, who are looking into the matter.
5. Water Leak on Stenson Road. DCllr Shepherd emailed Severn Trent Customer Care who confirmed that their Clean Water Team will be visiting to investigate. DCllr Shepherd will also raise this at the Flood Meeting at SDDC on 22nd June.
6. Request for a Pedestrian Crossing on Stenson Road. DCllr Shepherd will raise this again at the next Safer Neighbourhood and Repton Area Forum (as mentioned above).
7. Travellers on Land North of Witton Court. Received calls from irate residents minutes after the travellers arrived. Contacted the police, SDDC Environment Officers and Legal Officers. Took action immediately to enforce removal. Travellers went and have not returned.
8. Review of bollards around Stenson Fields Open Spaces with SDDC Open Spaces Manager. In view of the problem with the travellers, DCllr Shepherd met with Zoe Sewter at the locations within the ward to review the replacement/installation of bollards. Work is ongoing.
9. Site Meeting to discuss the abysmal play equipment on the New Development. Site visit was joined by members of the public irate at the standard of equipment provided. Plan submitted by developers but not approved by SDDC. Zoe is looking into this too.

10. DCllr Shepherd will meet Barratt Homes for a liaison meeting tomorrow. SDDC now has a dedicated officer to review contracts with developers. The chairman asked about the Saxon Gate management agreement; DCllr Shepherd replied to say the officer will investigate it.

Both the county and district councillor left at 8.15pm.

829/17 TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON 18th May 2017

These were approved and accepted as a true record after which they were signed by the chairman.

830/17 TO DETERMINE WHICH ITEMS IF ANY TO BE TAKEN WITH THE PUBLIC EXCLUDED - None.

831/17 CHAIRMAN'S ANNOUNCEMENTS AND REPORTS None.

832/17 CLERK'S REPORT & CORRESPONDENCE

1. Clerk received a poster from the playgroup advertising a staff position which members **agreed** may be placed on a notice board.

2. Clerk received following reply from SDDC regarding the request to adopt open spaces: *'With reference to your e-mail regarding POS on the Stenson Fields estate, any consideration for adopting land doesn't fall to be considered within the planning arena, it is likely to fall to the Council's open space facilities, hence I have copied in Zoe Sewter, Open Space Manager, although it may well be something for the Legal Department to have a hand in. However, in the first instance I would anticipate Zoe will contact you at her earliest convenience'*.

3. SDDC contacted the clerk saying it is undertaking an audit of litter/ dog bins to ensure parishes are being charged correctly for emptying. If any new bins are placed they will be charged.

833/17 Matters for Decision or Discussion:

a) Police Issues/Speed Limits/Road Safety.

The chairman rued that speeding drivers are a common occurrence in the area and especially on Grampian Way. Cllr Richardson highlighted ASDA vans as culprits; clerk to write to the store stating that any further such practices will be reported to the police. Cllr Richardson was dismayed that drivers, both parents and teachers, regularly speed through the school premises. Clerk to contact the headmistress. Cllr Rogers reported a sunken Transco gas meter on Arleston Lane.

b) Saxon Gate at Newton Village Development, Stenson Road; discussed earlier.

c) Lengthsman Scheme. The chairman announced that both of the lengthsman preferred working slightly reduced hours, which would leave a shortfall in service. However, after declaring an interest Cllr Lisewski explained that his son has offered to assist. Members (excluding the chairman), **agreed** and so the clerk signed temporary 12-month contract granting Samuel Lisewski employment as a lengthsman.

d) To consider the replacement of a bench with a memorial bench for Mrs. P Harvey. The chairman continues to progress this.

e) Update on the re-siting/ installation of waste bins: discussed earlier.

f) Social media policy; held over to the next meeting.

g) Notice board issues; Jack Harvey may renovate the boards in due course but if not the clerk said he knows a contractor who can undertake this work.

h) To review the budget and final audit figures for 2016/17; members **agreed** these.

i) Outcome of a Barratt Homes Liaison meeting (if held); DCllr Shepherd mentioned this earlier.

834/17 PLANNING

Applications

9/2017/0523 - ERECTION OF A SINGLE STOREY FRONT EXTENSION AT 18 QUICK HILL ROAD STENSON FIELDS.

Resolved: no objection.

Decisions.

9/2017/0263 - THE CONVERSION OF THE GARAGE AT 5 TREGONY WAY STENSON FIELDS. **Granted.**

Consultations.

Updates (if any) on 6 Glencroft Drive and 1 Glendon Road (involving enforcement visits). Clerk received no reply from SDDC planning and so sent a reminder this day.

835/17 **FINANCE**

a) Accounts for payment

Cheque	Payee	Total £
002088	J Irons – Clerk’s salary May - June	482.36
002088	J Irons - clerk expenses (see attached sheet) May - June	55.16
002089	K Fellows - Lengthsman pay May - June	176.40
002090	J Harvey - Lengthsman pay May - June	65.90
002091	HMRC –employee’s tax & NI May - June	144.30
002092	DCC – clerk’s pension May - June	145.28
002093	Biffa – waste collection June – September 2017	429.06
002094	Streetscape – hand grips for play equipment at Fox Close	36.00
	TOTAL	1534.46

(b) **Income**

VAT refund for that incurred 2016/17 £2194.51

(c) **Bank balances as at 26th May 2017**

£27,323.13 (current account);
£ 5,574.20 (reserve account).

836/17 **TO RECEIVE FEEDBACK AND REPORTS FROM COUNCIL REPRESENTATIVES ON OUTSIDE BODIES** - Cllr Rogers reported that the reception area refurbishment at Holybrook surgery is nearly complete. More telephone lines are being installed although the surgery will retain one general number. Two new doctors are to be employed in August and one returns from maternity leave. Opening hours will be extended at night from 6.30-8.30pm.

Cllr Richardson asked whether bulbed areas will soon be trimmed throughout the parish; clerk to enquire with SDDC.

837/17 **ITEMS FOR INFORMATION**

None

838/17 **Agenda items for the next meeting.**

- Replacement of a bench with a memorial bench;
- Boundary change details (if received);
- Outcome of the Barratt Homes Liaison meeting (if held);
- Social media policy.

839/17 **DATE OF NEXT MEETING**

The next Parish Council meeting will be held on Thursday 20th July 2017, commencing at 7:15pm at Stenson Fields Primary School.

There being no other business, the Chairman thanked attendees and closed the meeting at 9:11pm.

Signed..... Date.....