

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF SOPLEY PARISH COUNCIL
HELD ON THURSDAY 18th September 2014 AT 7.30P.M.
IN SOPLEY PARISH HALL, PRIEST'S LANE, SOPLEY.

The Clerk confirmed that the meeting was Quorate and there were no declarations of interest in respect of the items contained in the Agenda.

Apologies were received from Cllr Eccles. 7 Parishioners present. In Attendance were Cllr Rippon-Swaine, Cllr Woodifield, Cllr Lakey, Cllr Hill, Cllr Smedley, Cllr Dunn and Clerk Mrs K Hughes.

Review of the Minutes of the Council Meeting held on 17th July 2014

No matters arising; Proposed by Cllr Hill and Seconded by Cllr Lakey.

Parishioner Participation.

Mrs Hiscock asked if Hampshire Probation could water the roses when they attend cemetery also she asked Cllr Woodifield if it was ok to use the funds left over to buy some shrubs for the cemetery. Cllr Woodifield confirmed this was ok.

Mrs Hiscock also asked if the Sopley Newsletter could be issued earlier, the clerk suggested February time so the litter pick etc can be advertised earlier.

The ditches were mentioned in Fish Street and Cllr. Shutler has the matter in hand. Cllr Smedley reported the Environmental Agency had been around to check the ditches and drainage. The overflow flap is working.

The clerk was asked to contact Mr Sherret at Sopley School regarding the parking and Cllr Smedley is to take some photos for the clerk to forward to the school.

CURRENT ISSUES & FORWARD PLANNING (Cllr Shutler):

Nothing to report.

PARISH CLERK'S REPORT:

Financial Matters

The Clerk reminded the Council that the Lengthsman scheme funds were still waiting to be used for works in the Parish and the amount of £1620.00 should be invoiced and spent by end of March. Cllr Shutler expressed his wish to use the funds for the Ripley ditches.

Mr Tanner raised the drainage at the top of the Avon Causeway could this be sorted. Cllr Shutler says he will be looking at the ditches. Cllr Lakey brought up Derritt Lane and the ongoing works and that it should help for this Winter.

Payments, Receipts and Bank balances:

Supplier	Invoice	Amount	Date received	Date paid
Advertiser	C116317	12.00	29/07/2014	
Hampshire Pro	200000039	150.00	29/07/2014	
Clerk	Jul-14	591.00	31/07/2014	
Hampshire Pro	2000000104	150.00	18/09/2014	
TLC	216032014	80.00	10/09/2014	
MJ Hoare	2725	625.80	20/08/2014	
Clerk	Aug-14	534.00	30/08/2014	
	Due out:	2,142.80		
Current Account		20,182.27		560 paid in
Deposit account		20,029.09		£240.00 paid in
Allotments account		5,298.67		37p interest
Parish Hall account		20,686.57		£1.76 interest
	TOTAL:	66,196.60		

Correspondence received

SPC have been invited to the Annual Bournemouth Airport meeting on 20th November 2014 at 10am, it was agreed that the Clerk and Cllr. Smedley will attend.

The Clerk reported that the VAT reclaim letter had been received this morning and the monies are due in bank within a couple of days.

Navitus Bay letter stating received objections. Mark Watts is very unhappy re the compound and mentioned Charity Mowing race which ruined his Sunday service and he had suffered a lot of complaints. Mr Watts requested the Land owners views. He reiterated his business will be massively affected.

Cllr Woodfield explained that Navitus is a government led initiative not a planning permission based exercise this is a Consultation document. Cllr Woodfield says she has concerns that the pipes will not fit down our local roads. The compound is due to be there for 5 years the compound is for the whole construction.

Every item included in the construction will cross the B3347. Cllr Woodfield will stand up for Mr Watts business at the open hearing. Selection of the construction site is poor because of the impact on the road and the position geographically of the Country Hotel. Mr Watts gave out some maps which Cllr Woodfield confirmed that we had all seen. Mr Tanner said this has been going on for 3 years and was originally Eon Energy. Mrs Bath let Mr Watts know. He states that geographically it is on the other side. The clerk was asked to raise another objection that the compound is wrongly sited. Cllr Dunn stated that she is behind Mr Watts. The whole of the village will be affected. B3347 floods every year. Chairman Shutler asked for agreement on the form to be returned which another objection raised regarding the road and local businesses. The Clerk is to email agree/disagree to Navitus Bay. Lord Manners reported that there will be no fences and there is no other option for this route. It was decided that the clerk is to report that we cannot agree/disagree. The clerk was asked to write a letter expressing concerns.

Planning and Development Control matter, current consultations, recent planning decisions and enforcement issues:

Consultation has now expired for The Beeches. No decision received as yet. Planning for new Woolpack window comments have been submitted.

BURIAL BOARD REPORT (Cllr Eccles):

None received.

PARISH HALL COMMITTEE REPORT (Cllr Eccles):

Cllr. Lakey reported that the Summer Festival was a great success just over £4000 raised. Skittle night and Quiz Night were reported as upcoming events.

PARISH FOOTPATHS & RIGHTS OF WAY ISSUES (Cllr Shutler):

Cllr Shutler reported that Fish Street has been completed and the bridge over Court Lane. Clerk to raise with Mr Richard Bastow regarding the footpath where Mrs Dawes had taken a tumble just off the triangle area of grass by the Parish Hall.

HIGHWAYS & TRAFFIC MANAGEMENT ISSUES (Cllr. Rawstron/Shutler):

Sopley School layby has been tarmacked this has improved the situation but not sorted. Lord Manners reported that a large hole had been cut by the Council in the hedge on Thatcher's Lane.

DISTRICT COUNCILLOR'S REPORT (Cllr Woodfield):

The report was received and emailed to Councillors and printed off for Parishioner perusal. Can the Clerk use for the Navitus Complaints.

COUNTY COUNCILLOR'S REPORT (Cllr Rippon-Swaine):

The report was received at the meeting by Cllr Rippon-Swaine and circulated by hand to Council and Parishioners

Meeting closed at 8.18pm.

DATE OF NEXT MEETING: Thursday, 20th November 2014. (Finance) Thursday 27th November 2014
Parish Council Meeting.