



**Notes from the ZOOM MEETING OF SOPLEY PARISH COUNCIL  
17<sup>th</sup> December 2020 at 7.30pm.**

1. In attendance: Cllr Eccles, Cllr Hacker, Cllr Ludford, Cllr Rawstron Brake, Cllr Allen, Cllr Rawstron, Cllr Shutler.  
Apologies received by Cllr Emmel and agreed that all Council Members would approve me to Chair the meeting in her absence.
2. Notes from meeting held on 12<sup>th</sup> November and 19<sup>th</sup> November budget approval and precept setting. **Approved by Council Members and new budget for Parish Maintenance to be set at £15,000 and £32,000 to be applied for with the new Precept Application. All Council members in agreement with the current climate and additional housing at Heatherstone Grange.**

Expenditure		Budget Allocation 2019/2020	Budget Allocation 2020/2021
Donation to SPH Hall Renovation		£0.00	£0.00
Sopley Village Pedestrian Safety Scheme Phase 2	2020/2021	£1,500.00	£1,500.00
PWLB - Parish Council		£6,000.00	£2,530.75
Section 137 - Donations		£400.00	£500.00
Parish Newsletter 2020		£800.00	£600.00
Audit Fees		£600.00	£600.00
Parish Clerk Salary		£7,344.00	£7,344.00
Admin Costs		£450.00	£500.00
Subscriptions/Councillor training		£900.00	£900.00
Insurances		£1,500.00	£1,505.25
Parish Maintenance		£500.00	£15,000.00
Cemetery Maintenance/water		£1,000.00	£520.00
Misc ex		£4,006.00	£500.00
	<b>Sub totals:</b>	<b>£25,000.00</b>	<b>£32,000.00</b>

**3. CURRENT ISSUES & FORWARD PLANNING:**

Derritt Lane flooding update and environmental findings/discussion. Cllr Shutler confirmed that a meeting was taking place tomorrow the 18<sup>th</sup> December with Highways.

Parish Maintenance person update.  
Vernon Dene.

#### 4. PARISH CLERK'S REPORT:

Current Account		£ 34,086.11
Deposit account		£0.21
Allotments account		£5514.33
Parish Hall Account		£1055.96
Lengthsman Scheme	Total:	£40,656.61
		£1283.90

Correspondence received – Application for new Councillor Mr Jeremy Allen co-opted him today. **All approved by Council Members.**

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

Only London Lane re Blacksmiths Cottage and chimney rebuilds all comments submitted to NFDC.

5. BURIAL BOARD REPORT – Interment of ashes for Susan Stacey with Miller Bros, grave marked up ready for Dave the grave digger.
6. PARISH HALL COMMITTEE REPORT (Cllr. Eccles): Nothing to report apart from hall is currently dormant but has a bank balance of £17224.00.
7. HEATHERSTONE GRANGE UPDATE (Cllr. Hacker).

The clerk confirmed that the Allotments for Labouring money funds currently £5500 could hopefully on application to the Charity Commission be used for a Community Rural project at Heatherstone Grange.

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

Kissing gates and broken bridges it was agreed we will contact Mr Gerald Lewis to find out contacts and how many indeed need mending/replacing.

9. HIGHWAYS & TRAFFIC MANAGEMENT ISSUES:

Ongoing Woolpack Bridge, Stop signs and red paint on roads.  
Cllr Rawstron Brake to oversee the Highways schedule.

Meeting closed at 9pm.

Date of Next zoom Meeting: 21<sup>st</sup> January 2021 at 7.00pm.