# MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF BISHOP'S SUTTON PARISH COUNCIL HELD ON TUESDAY 14th JANUARY 2020 IN THE VILLAGE HALL.

## **PRESENT**

Clirs. Budd (RB), Nankivell (PN), Rutherford (PR), Sumner (JS) and Jay (MJ) Clir. Margot Power.

5 Residents

Mr K. Fell (KF) – Clerk

WELCOME.

Cllr. Budd welcomed everyone to the meeting.

#### 1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE.

There were apologies for absence from Cllr. Russell Gordon-Smith, Cllr. Rob Humby and Karl Borges.

## 2. AGREE MINUTES OF MEETING 10th DECEMBER 2019.

The Minutes were agreed and signed by the Chairman.

# 3. MATTERS ARISING.

<u>Allotments</u> – PR stated that the area would be prepared before anyone can have a plot. The Clerk stated that as a co-incidence in this month's Parish Magazine there was an article on Allotment Law.

## 5. DECLARATION OF INTEREST.

Nil.

# 6. HAMPSHIRE COUNTY COUNCILLOR'S REPORT.

Nil.

## 7. WINCHESTER CITY COUNCILLOR'S REPORT.

Cllr. Power had provided a report which had been circulated to Members. She knew there was a dog problem in Hobbs Close and pointed out that WCC had a chemical that could be sprayed on dog poo. However if there was a bigger problem the Dog Warden could be called out.

Cllr. Power also referred to the Sun Lane development. Nitrates had been checked and found to be ok therefore the 106 Agreement should be signed soon.

The Chairman thanked Cllr. Power.

## 8. SPEEDING IN THE VILLAGE.

This item was taken at the beginning of the meeting.

The Chairman closed the meeting to allow the residents to speak on this item.

Aileen Miller said the speeding occurred on the minor roads as well as the B3047.

Martin Henderson - Concerning the white gates the village already has roundels on the road, coloured road surface and speed signs, therefore are white gates necessary?

Mr Chamberlain agreed. It was not known whether there was evidence to show that the gates were necessary.

A discussion took place as to how to proceed and Members decided to take more advice from Highways and the Road Safety Officer plus undertake a wider consultation with villagers. This will be done by sending out a letter indicating a public meeting which will be advertised on BISMONROPTIS, Facebook, Website and Notice Boards. Included in the letter will be a number of options for improving road safety and also asking for any other suggestions.

The Chairman thanked residents for attending and re-opened the Parish Council meeting.

A parishioner was concerned that the Minutes published on the noticeboards were out of date. This was because they had to be ratified at the following meeting, however the Clerk suggested that the Draft Minutes be displayed and this was agreed

#### 9. CORRESPONDENCE.

**SENT** 

Correspondence with Hampshire Highways.

# **RECEIVED**

BT Contract received, telephony equipment being removed

Cllr. Power – report

Alresford Town Council – Sun Lane Programme

HCC Highways letter replying to PC concerns, Countryside Access

Priority Paths, Register your car for the tip

WCC Precept letter, Small Grants Scheme, Flood Contacts

Carriageway Repairs Long Barn – Chairman

Env. Agency – Groundwater Levels, flood info. on website.

Clerks & Councils Direct Jan.

Village Trust – Chairman

CPRE – Thank you for donation, Hants Views

### 10. FINANCE

The Clerk gave the Chairman an update on the financial position.

TO PAY

 Viking
 £107.86

 Clerk's exps.
 £125.32

Proposed PR Seconded PN

#### **Budget**

The Clerk had prepared a Budget Statement but pointed out that the VAT which had been paid to Bishop's Sutton was incorrect. Members agreed to put forward the same Precept as last year £6,500 and the Clerk re-issued a revised Budget Statement plus details regarding the VAT and the carried forward figure from the previous year. The Tax Base for 2020-21 was £205.68 therefore a Band D property tax would be the same as last year £31.60. The Precept was submitted to WCC on 15<sup>th</sup> January 2020.

# 11. INDUSTRIAL PLANNING AND LENGTHSMAN.

No industrial planning.

# 12. RESIDENTIAL PLANNING.

Nil.

## 13. SUN LANE DEVELOPMENT.

See Item 7.

# 14. WEBSITE/FACEBOOK.

The Clerk had added the Village Fete to the website as requested by the Village Hall Committee. Members discussed the difference between Facebook use and the Website and JS kindly agreed to advise Members of Parish Council matters that appeared on Facebook due to the fact that very few Members used Facebook.

# 15. HIGHWAY MATTERS.

A reply from Hampshire Highways concerning the matters raised had been passed on to JS.

# 16. FOOTPATHS.

Cllr. Nankivell had looked at the reply from HCC Countryside Team and talked about the Ranger Team checking St. Swithun's Way. The Chairman will walk the path to Alresford with a colleague to assess the condition etc.

# 17. OTHER MEETINGS.

Nil.

# 18. COMMENTS FROM THE FLOOR.

John Miller was concerned at the possible closure or reduction in opening times of Libraries as put forward by HCC. Aileen Miller gave Martin Jay old documents relating to the Industrial Site at Old Park Road.

# 19. DATE OF NEXT MEETING 11th FEBRUARY 2020.

The Chairman closed the meeting at 9.13 p.m.

Kenrick Fell