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Minutes

The Meeting of Southminster Parish Council 15th November 2021.

Present: Cllr J Anderson, Cllr Bridge, Cllr Pratt, Cllr Noonan, Cllr Harrold and Cllr Monks.

In attendance: Dist Cllr Fluker, Joanna Jeffery, Parish Clerk and one member of the public.

21/183 **Apologies for absence** – Cllr Mische and Cllr Wyn-Davies.

21/184 **To receive and note any declarations of interest:** None were received.

21/185 **To receive and approve Minutes of the last meeting – 18th October 2021.**
Proposed by Cllr Pratt, seconded by Cllr Noonan.

21/186 **Public Session – opportunity for members of public to speak:**
A resident congratulated Southminster Parish Council on the success of the fireworks event but commented that it was overheard someone boasting they had secured 20 wristbands and family had travelled from Kent. The Clerk responded that many residents had asked for 10 wristbands and maybe a lot had not been used. It was felt that a review would need to be taken for future allocations.

21/187 **Planning**
To discuss and respond to the following planning applications.
Week ending: 15th October 2021
21/01061/TCA PP-10281828
T1 Walnut – Fell
30 Station Road, Southminster, Essex CM0 7EW
Planning application has been WITHDRAWN.

Week ending: 22nd October 2021
21/01083/HOUSE PP-10297672
Single storey rear ground floor extension and 1st floor extension to the rear of the existing terraced dwelling house

16 Kings Road Southminster Essex CM0 7EJ
Southminster Parish Council SUPPORT this planning application.

21/01086/VAR PP-10301815

Variation of condition 2 (approved plans) on planning application 18/00623/FUL allowed on appeal APP/X1545/W/18/3215950 (Material change of use of land for stationing of caravans for residential occupation by one family with associated development (hard standing and utility building)
The Hawthorns Scalby Road Southminster Essex
Southminster Parish Council NOTED this planning application.

Planning Decisions

Week ending: 15th October 2021

FUL/MAL/21/00247

Demolition of existing part single and part two storey outbuilding and replacement with new oak framed part single and part two storey outbuilding.

Three Wells Scalby Road Southminster CM0 7BP

APPROVE

LDE/MAL/21/00818

Claim for a lawful development certificate for the existing use of a building as a separate residential dwelling.

Annexe Rumbolds Goldsands Road Southminster

APPROVE

Appeal Notifications –

Site Address: Ringdoves Goldsands Road Southminster Essex

Proposal: Claim for a lawful development certificate for the existing use of land for the stationing of a mobile home for use ancillary to the residential dwelling known as Ringdoves.

Appeal Ref: 20/00690/LDE PP-08857404

Appeal Ref: APP/X1545/X/20/3263594

Appeal Decisions –

Site Address- 9 Steeple Meadows, Southminster CM0 7UY

Appeal Ref: APP/X1545/D/21/3272331

Proposal: Single storey rear extension, garage conversion and external fenestration alterations.

APPEAL ALLOWED

Site Address – 7 Cripplegate, Southminster CM0 7DW

Appeal Ref: APP/X1545/W/20/3261611

Proposal: 2 bed dwelling with off street parking

APPEAL ALLOWED

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Finance Matters: -

- a: To receive and approve payment and receipts reports for November 2021, proposed by Cllr Noonan, seconded by Cllr Monks.

- b: To approve payments and to sign cheques, proposed by Cllr Noonan, seconded by Cllr Monks.
- c: To receive and approve the budget status for November 2021, proposed by Cllr Harrold, seconded by Cllr Noonan.
- d: To receive and approve the Bank Reconciliation Statement to 8th October 2021 and 8th November 2021, proposed by Cllr Harrold, seconded by Cllr Pratt.

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Dist Cllr's Report

Report from District Councillor Adrian Fluker to Southminster Parish Council Monday 15th November 2021.

Fireworks – Lots of residents had contacted me expressing they're thanks to the Parish Council for organising the event.

Remembrance Day Commemoration – members of the public had commented on the success of the event and thanked the Parish Council for their support.

Blackwater Reach - The developer had agreed to install a bollard to prevent unauthorised cars accessing the turning head from the estate. The turning head will be completed when Steeple Road is blocked off. Yellow lines will be installed at that time. No date has been confirmed for the opening of David Fisher Way – Western Relief Road.

Unauthorised discharges from Southminster Sewage Treatment Works – Given complaints from members of the public I have contacted Anglian Water for an update.

Removal of Street Lights – I have contacted ECC and await an update from them.

Council Meeting of 4th November – As reported in the national media because of a member's behaviour the meeting descended into chaos.

Cllr Wendy Stamp - has since resigned from her position as Leader of Maldon District Council. Cllr Stephen Nunn has resigned as her deputy. A new leader and deputy will be appointed on 16th December.

Maldon District Residents and Business Survey – The annual survey is taking place online via the Maldon District Council Web Site.

www.maldon.gov.uk/yourviews

Princes Gate – Comingled Waste Collections – The areas around the bin stores have been cleared information packs will be going to residents.

Waste and Recycling Collections – Problems are still arising due to a variety of reasons. Officers are confident that normal service will resume shortly. In the meantime, residents are encouraged to check the MDC website for updates and report any missed collections.

Bradwell B Power Station – Contrary to the Officers Recommendation to approve Members refused the planning application for the Geological Survey – BRB appealed the decision and the Planning Inspectorate have now upheld the appeal awarding part costs to the appellant. BRB have recently issued a Newsletter to all households in the district.

Ringdoves Goldsands Road – The appeal in relation to a lawful development certificate will be heard by a Planning Inspector on 16th November at Plantation Hall Heybridge starting at 10.00am.

Land Adjacent to 7 Cripplegate – The appeal against refusal of a new dwelling has been allowed.

Commercial Clay Pigeon Shoot Asheldham/Southminster Borders. Several residents in the North of the village had made complaints regarding the noise and nuisance. MDC withdrew from defending the Noise Abatement Order as principally the shooting stopped due to the 28 Day Planning Rule and because they wanted to obtain their own technical evidence. Other planning breaches at the site are being investigated. The Landowner Fisher Farms of Southminster Hall Southminster have confirmed that they will not allow the land to be used for Clay Pidgeon shooting in

the future. Maldon District Council are aware that the Commercial Clay Pigeon Shoot may move to a site closer to Southminster and will be monitoring the situation and will apply for a Noise Abatement Order if required.

Asheldham Brook Bridge – B1021 Tillingham Road. The bridge is on the main route between Southminster, Asheldham, Tillingham and Bradwell. The Bridge will be closed to traffic and pedestrians on the 20th and 21st and 27th and 28th November. A full structural survey is being carried out which may lead to the bridge being replaced.

21/190 Audit Committee recommendations

Following the Audit Committee meeting held on 18th October 2021 the following recommendations are made for agreement by Southminster Parish Council Standing Orders – After reviewing it was suggested to remove item 8): or, if at least two members so request by signed ballot. To allow for transparency.

Transparency Code – Fit for purpose.

Project Process and Format, the document is fit for purpose with the addition of projects in excess of £10,000.

Data Protection Policy – Fit for purpose.

Cllr Pratt proposed the acceptance of the Audit Committees recommendations, seconded by Cllr Monks.

21/191 Fireworks

To discuss and agree provision for fireworks event 2022.

The Clerk gave a breakdown of costings for the fireworks event 2021.

Cllr Pratt proposed the provision of Fireworks 2022, seconded by Cllr Noonan.

21/192 Rainbows/Brownies/Rangers

To discuss letter received from Rangers leader.

Cllr Harrold suggested that the Rangers/Brownies/Rainbows apply for a grant from the Parish Council towards hire costs. Cllr Bridge suggested that the Guiding Association could be approached.

21/193 Proposed new building at King George V Memorial Field

Update from Cllr Anderson and Cllr Monks.

Cllr Monks informed that the traffic counter at the entrance of King George V Memorial Field will be removed on Wednesday 17th November 2021. The Ecological Survey has now been completed. However, a surface water sewer needs to be investigated.

The first stage payment has been approved.

21/194 Jubilee Woods

Update from Cllr Harrold/Cllr Anderson and Cllr Mische.

To discuss and agree wording to be printed on noticeboard.

Cllr Harrold informed that the picnic benches are due for delivery this week.

A second quote has been sourced for the siting of the carved animals.

21/195 Christmas Light Switch On

To receive an update from Cllr Wyn-Davies.

Cllr Wyn-Davies sent the following report.

The possibility of replacing the two columns which were cut and capped has been investigated, however due to time constraints this was considered not possible. There has been a problem with column 32 outside the church, it was illuminated about a week ago, but Lamps and Tubes have now dealt with it and it is no longer aglow.

Cllr Wyn-Davies has proposed two rehearsal dates at St. Leonard's for the youth groups in the village who will be singing at the "switch on" ceremony.

She has also visited the primary school twice and has another two rehearsals before the event.

The children are very enthusiastic and will be singing three festive songs as well as plenty of Christmas carols!

The event will take place on Sunday 28th November. The children have been told to arrive at 4.30pm with "switch on" at 5pm.

An engineer from Lamps and Tubes will be present to ensure proceedings go smoothly.

Last time we erected a gazebo and put our own Christmas decorations, outside the church. It would be wonderful if we could do the same thing again.

Those wishing to volunteer need to be available from 3pm

Cllr Wyn-Davies to liaise with Revd. Peter regarding the provision of teas and coffees after the event.

Cllr's Pratt, Monks, Anderson and Noonan all offered help with setting up at 3pm.

21/196 Hand Tools for Handyman

To discuss and agree quotes for strimmer and hedge trimmer.

The Clerk advised that a suitable strimmer and hedge trimmer had now been sourced within the previous budget.

21/197 Public Session– opportunity for members of public to speak:

Cllr Harrold asked why two mowers had been serviced when it was previously agreed all equipment would be disposed of. Cllr Noonan will over see the compiling of a list for discussion. It was agreed to agenda for next meeting.

21/198 Date of the next meeting:

13th December 2021.

21/199 Close of business: Meeting closed at 8.26pm