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Minutes

The Meeting of Southminster Parish Council 20th September 2021.

Present: Cllr J Anderson, Cllr Bridge, Cllr Mische, Cllr Monks and Cllr Wyn-Davies

In attendance: Joanna Jeffery, Parish Clerk and two members of the public.

21/144 Apologies for absence.

Cllr Harrold, Cllr Noonan and Cllr Pratt.

Cllr Anderson suspended the meeting and welcomed Mr Roger Hirst, Police, Fire and Crime Commissioner for Essex to the meeting. Mr Hirst informed that the Maldon Policing Team had doubled in the last three years and a Rural Crime Team is in place.

The Councillor's and Clerk gave details of crime that is being committed in Southminster and the frustration of lack of support. Cllr Monks commented that more visual police in the village is needed.

It was discussed that Members of the Public are reluctant to give information for fear of being identified. Mr Hirst informed that all crime can be reported anonymously via Crimestoppers.

Mr Hirst encouraged all crime to be reported, either via the website or 111 in a non emergency.

After a lengthy discussion Mr Hirst gave a list of actions, Southminster Parish Council are to promote the use of Crimestoppers 0800 555 111 for anonymous reporting.

A designated police office contact will be shared with the Parish Clerk.

A Community Engagement Plan will be created for the Dengie.

Cllr Anderson Thanked Mr Hirst for his attendance at the meeting.

The meeting resumed at 8.14pm.

21/145 To receive and note any declarations of interest:

None were declared.

Signed

Cllr J Anderson

19th July 2021

21/146 To receive and approve Minutes of the last meeting – 19th July 2021.

Proposed by Cllr Monks, seconded by Cllr Wyn-Davies.

21/147 Public Session – opportunity for members of public to speak:

A resident informed of an overgrown hedge on Kings Road and also an overgrown footpath on Princes Avenue/Elsden Chase, (Princes Avenue end).

21/148 Planning

To discuss and respond to the following planning applications.

Week ending: 16th July 2021

21/00678/HOUSE PP-09973247

Single storey orangery to the rear of a private dwelling 4m wide x 5m deep x 3.9m high

The Sailings Princes Avenue Southminster Essex

Southminster Parish Council recommend the GRANTING of planning permission

Week ending: 30th July 2021

21/00030/OUT

Proposed 7 no. new dwellings comprising 6 no. two bed two storey and 1 no. two bed single storey properties

55 Kings Riad Southminster Essex CM0 7EJ

Southminster Parish Council recommend the REFUSAL of planning permission due to the area of each bedroom is less than the minimum floor space required by new builds.

Week ending: 20th August 2021

21/00767/HOUSE PP-10049272

Demolition of existing outbuilding and replacement with part single, part two storey side extension with first floor rear balcony and glazed link. Single storey front extension to the existing garage and change of use to a new gym. Single storey rear extension and infill extension. Single storey cartlodge.

New Dwelling at Applby Old Heath Road Southminster CM3 6EW

Southminster Parish Council recommend the REFUSAL of planning permission due to the size and bulk, by adding the garage and commercial office to the main house, it changes the dwelling to a mixed use dwelling.

Week ending: 27th August 2021

21/00818/LDE PP-09952040

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

Annexe Rumbolds Goldsands Road Southminster

Southminster Parish Council have NO COMMENT.

Planning Decisions

Week ending: 20th August 2021

FUL/MAL/21/00160

New Dwelling

Land adjacent to 18 North End Southminster Essex

REFUSE

TCA/MAL/21/00711

T1 Ash – Reduce height by 3-3.5 metres & reduce sides by 2-2.5 metres.

Removal of previously torn/stub cut pole sawed lower limbs

The Kings Head Public House 2 High Street Southminster Essex

ALLOWED TO PROCEED

Week ending: 27th August 2021

HOUSE/MAL/21/00684

Demolition of single storey side extension and erection of a larger side single storey extension with roof lantern.

18 Queenborough Road, Southminster, Essex

APPROVE

FUL/MAL/20/01344

Conversion of 2No. existing buildings (previous use class C2) into 11 flats and 2 maisonettes and the construction of 3 new bungalows to rear.

The Dengie Project Trust Knightswood Centre Steeple Road Southminster

REFUSE

HOUSE/MAL/21/00678

Single storey rear orangery extension

The Sailings Princes Avenue Southminster Essex

REFUSE

**Appeal Notifications –
Site Address-**

Appeal Decisions –

21/149 Finance Matters: -

- a: To receive and approve payment and receipts reports for August & September 2021.
Proposed by Cllr Monks, seconded by Cllr Noonan.
- b: To approve payments and to sign cheques.
Proposed by Cllr Monks, seconded by Cllr Noonan.
- c: To receive and approve the budget status for August & September 2021, defer to next meeting.
- d: To receive and approve the Bank Reconciliation Statement to 8th July, 8th August & 8th September 2021, defer to next meeting.

21/149.01 Budget 2022

Request for project suggestions from Councillor's, for discussion at budget meeting.

Cllr Wyn-Davies suggested an electrical charging point in the High Street Car Park.

Cllr Mische suggested blackboards/tryes for Jubilee Woods.

Cllr Bridge suggested asking the community for suggestions via social media.

21/150

Dist Cllr's Report

- 1. ELECTORAL ROLE** - Residents are reminded that if they receive a letter and proforma to fill in with regards the inclusion of names on the electoral role they should complete it and return it to MDC asap – strangely it is easier to do that by post than email. If no response is received, then personal visits will be made to properties.
- 2. AFGHAN REFUGEES** – Information regarding supporting Afghan refugees is on the ECC website.
- 3. ESSEX OPPORTUNITIES** – Online Job Fairs are taking place on 6th and 13th October more information can be found on the MDC and ECC websites
- 4. LADIES TOUR OF BRITAIN CYCLE RACE** – This is a very large event like the Tour of France and is expected to receive a lot of media attention particularly from SKY TV. Our regional stage starts on 7th October in Southend on Sea and finishes in Shoeburyness – the route takes it's through the centre of the village. Updated information is available from MDC.
- 5. WASTE & REFUSE COLLECTIONS** – The operator of the contractor Suez has been experiencing issues due to staff shortages and covid. In most cases where waste and recycling are not collected it is usually collected the next day. Where green waste collections are not made, they are usually collected the following week. But check the MDC website for specific instructions before you move your bins. As far as green waste is concerned following missed collections side waste will be collected but it must be presented in the appropriate green sacks.
- 6. PROPOSED WEDDING VENUE AT SOUTHMINSTER HALL** – some residents have contacted me with regards to potential noise and light pollution and I have taken up their concerns with MDC
- 7. BRADWELL B** – Various consultations are progressing some faster than others a decision on the GDA Generic Design Assessment is due in January. The result of the appeal regarding MDC's refusal of the geological survey planning application is still awaiting a decision by the Planning Inspectorate.
- 8. PLANNING APPLICATION AT LAND ADJACENT TO 7 STATION ROAD** – Based on the Parish Councils Support I proposed that the application be approved but to allow the PC to have more input into the design the indicative elevations provided with the Outline Application be discounted and resubmitted with the FULL APPLICATION.
- 9. LOCAL DEVELOPMENT PLAN** – The review is in its early stages with several initial consultations taking place. A district wide consultation will take place in due course. The plan is due to be adopted in late 22/23.
- 10. HEALTH AND SAFETY, PERFORMANCE AND CORPORATE RISK** – MDC has conducted satisfactory review.
- 11. LIKELY INCREASES IN UTILITY BILLS** – If residents experience any difficulties with paying their utility bills they should talk to their energy provider first after which time they should contact MALDON CAB.

21/151

Proposed new building at King George V Memorial Field

Update from Cllr Anderson and Cllr Harrold.

Cllr Monks reported that following a meeting with the architects, the traffic survey will now include a traffic counter to monitor how many vehicles enter in and out of King George V Memorial Field daily.

21/152

Jubilee Woods

Update from Cllr Harrold/Cllr Anderson and Cllr Mische.

To discuss and agree wording to be printed on noticeboard – defer to next meeting. Cllr Mische suggested not placing the carved animals until spring next year as more quotes are needed for the ground works and installation.

Signed

Cllr J Anderson

19th July 2021

It was agreed to install the bird houses, bench, picnic benches and bins.

- 21/153 White lining at King George V Memorial Field**
Following discussion of the quotes, Cllr Monks proposed the acceptance of quotation from Highline Road Markings Limited, seconded by Cllr Anderson.
- 21/154 King George V Memorial Field Goal Posts**
A request has been made by Southminster United Football Club to install new goal post sockets, Members to discuss and agree the proposal.
Cllr Mische proposed the request be accepted, should the team not be able to change the goal posts, seconded by Cllr Bridge.
- 21/155 Queenborough Road**
To discuss speeding issues on Queenborough Road, would Members like to make a Local Highways Panel Application?
Defer to next meeting.
- 21/156 To discuss and agree fees for the use of floodlights at King George V Memorial field.**
Cllr Anderson proposed a charge of £5 per hour for use of the floodlights, seconded by Cllr Bridge.
- 21/157 Community Hall 2**
To revisit fees for the hall hire to Brownies, Rainbows and Rangers.
Cllr Mische proposed a charge of £10 per session, with a review before the next financial year, seconded by Cllr Wyn-Davies.
- 21/158 To discuss and agree funding a bagpiper for Armistice Day 2021**
Cllr Anderson proposed the acceptance of the quote for £225 from The Piping Experience, seconded by Cllr Wyn-Davies.
- 21/159 Allotments**
To discuss and agree to giving notice of a potential increase to fees for 2022/2023 season.
Notice is required to be given one year prior to any increase.
Cllr Mische proposed giving notice to the allotment holders of a potential increase, subject to review, seconded by Cllr Wyn-Davies.
- 21/160 Purchase of petrol strimmer and hand tools**
To discuss and agree the purchase of a petrol strimmer and hand tools for use by the Parish Warden.
Cllr Mische proposed upto £500 expenditure for the strimmer and hand tools, seconded by Cllr Monks.
- 21/161 Public Session– opportunity for members of public to speak:**
None.
- 21/162 Date of the next meeting:**
18th October 2021.

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Close of business:
Meeting closed at 9.36pm.

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