SOUTHMINSTER PARISH COUNCIL

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Minutes

The Virtual Meeting of Southminster Parish Council 15th June 2020.

Present: Cllr J Anderson, Cllr R Pratt, Cllr G Harrold, Cllr H Bridge, Cllr Wyn Davies,

Cllr C Mische, Cllr D Noonan and Cllr A Maigre

In Attendance: One Parishioner and Dist Cllr Fluker

20/099 Apologies for absence.

None.

20/100 To receive and approve Minutes of the last meeting – 8th June 2020.

Proposed By Cllr C Mische, seconded by Cllr M Wyn-Davies.

20/101 To receive and note any declarations of interest:

20/103 20/00520/FUL PP-08757140 Cllr R Pratt Non Pecuniary Interest

20/102 Public Session – opportunity for members of public to speak:

Members of the public wishing to attend should contact the Parish Clerk via email before 3pm on the day of the meeting for the meeting ID and Password.

A parishioner informed that the footpath from the Fisheries and The Rose Pub going into Burnham is over grown, Cllr R Pratt advised that this can be reported online via the Essex County Council website.

20/103 Planning

To discuss and respond to the following planning applications.

Week ending 5th June 2020 20/00520/FUL PP-08757140

Demolition of existing bungalow and erection of replacement dwelling.

Whitethorne Filey Road Southminster Essex

Southminster Parish Council SUPPORT this planning application.

20/00523/WTPO PP-08717397

TPO 8/20 T1 Ash-Fell

The Cottage 25 Burnham Road Southminster Essex

Southminster Parish Council SUPPORT any recommendation given by Maldon District Council Tree Officer.

Appeal Notifications - None.

Appeal Decisions - None.

20/104 Finance Matters: -

a: To receive and approve payment and receipts reports for June 2020.

b: To approve payments and to sign cheques.

Proposed By Cllr R Pratt, seconded by Cllr C Mische.

20/105 Dist Cllr's Report

20/106 Christmas Lighting 2020/2021

To discuss proposed addition of extra lights. To discuss and agree quotation for Christmas lights 2020/2021.

Cllr Wyn-Davies reported that the stress testing for the eight new columns has now been completed and the power supplies for the eight new poles will be completed in the next few weeks.

Cllr H Bridge proposed accepting the quotation of £5646.00 for the Christmas lighting display 2021, seconded by Cllr D Noonan.

20/107 Proposed new building at King George V Memorial Field

Update from Cllr Anderson and Cllr Harrold.

Cllr J Anderson informed that the Topographical Survey is nearly completed. The next stage will be to discuss how the building should look, it was agreed to speak with the architect to gather some ideas for discussion by the Councillors.

20/108 Storage Cabinet at Community Hall 2

A request has been made by Dengie Rangers to place a locking metal cupboard in the hall for use by Dengie Rangers and Brownies, it will store craft equipment and electric hobs. Cllr C Mische proposed allowing the locking metal cupboard to be placed in Community Hall 2, seconded by Cllr R Pratt.

20/109 Bradwell B

To compile a response to Stage 1 Consultation.

It was agreed by all members that Cllr J Anderson and Cllr A Maigre would draft a formal response for discussion at an EOM to be held on Monday 22nd June 2020.

Cllr G Harrold suggested that the Dengie Hundred Group of Parish Councils could gather a combined response from all parishes to put forward.

20/110 Allotments

Would Southminster Parish Council like to obtain quotes for painting of the container?.

A discussion has been had with the Allotments Chair who indicated it would be nice for the driveway to Pantile Hill Allotments be lined with trees, would members like to proceed with costings for this project?.

It was noted that rubbish has gathered again around the container, The Clerk informed that the allotment holders will be removing it but are waiting for the Recycling Centre to allow vans in, Cllr D Noonan informed that vans are now allowed in. The Clerk will relay this information to Peter Plumb, Allotments Chair.

Cllr G Harrold has offered to take the tractor to Fisher's Farm, Cllr J Anderson will speak with Ben Fisher. Cllr G Harrold will speak with Peter Plumb, Allotments Chair re the container. Cllr H Bridge commented that any trees placed onto the driveway would compromise accessibility.

20/111 Salt Bag Partnership for Winter 2020/2021

Would members like to partake in the partnership this year?

An email for this partnership has been circulated prior giving information about the uncertain availability due to Covid 19.

Cllr C Mische proposed joining the Salt Bag Partnership for Winter 2020/2021, seconded by Cllr M Wyn-Davies.

20/112 Public Session—opportunity for members of public to speak:

A short discussion was had regarding the reopening of Burnham Recycling Centre, Cllr D Noonan proposed the Clerk write a letter to Essex County Council regarding the concerns around fly tipping, in the parish and also on private land at a cost of removal to land owners, seconded by Cllr H Bridge.

The Clerk asked all members if they would like to hold an AGM, this is following confirmation from NALC that an AGM can be held virtual with no time scale, or everyone can remain in post and an AGM will be called in 2021. Members agreed unanimously to not hold an AGM until 2021.

20/113 Date of the next meeting:

Extra Ordinary Meeting 22nd June 2020, Parish Council meeting 13th July 2020

20/114 Close of business:

Meeting closed at 8.45pm