

SIDDINGTON PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE EXTRAORDINARY MEETING OF SIDDINGTON PARISH COUNCIL HELD ON 2 AUGUST 2023 SIDDINGTON HALL FARM, SIDDINGTON

Present

P Wain (Chair)	Siddington Parish Council
A Meadowcroft (VC)	Siddington Parish Council
B Carbutt	Siddington Parish Council
J Sherratt	Siddington Parish Council
D Billington	Siddington Parish Council
D Furness	Siddington Parish Council
B Smart	Siddington Parish Council

1439: Apologies Lesley Smethem (Cheshire East Council)

1440: Minutes of the last meeting held on 31 May 2023 (1427 – 1438) were not available for approval at the meeting. A copy of the minutes have been requested from the outgoing Parish Clerk.

1441: Appointment of new Parish Clerk

The Parish Council has recently accepted the resignation from Ruth Goodfellow as Parish Clerk.

An application has been received from Elizabeth Worrall for the role in a the paid capacity. EW is the current Clerk for both Hulme Walfield and Marton Parish Councils. PW to arrange for both AM and PW to meet with EW.

1442: Annual Governance and Accountability Return (AGAR) 2022/23

PW had been advised that the AGAR Form 2 Certificate of Exemption was due for submission prior to 30 June 2023. PW had contacted PKF Littlejohn (External Auditors) who had advised that the AGAR Form 2 should be submitted to them by Friday 4 August. Total annual gross expenditure to be confirmed. It was agreed to submit the Certificate of Exemption. PW to submit along with an updated contact form.

The Annual Governance Statement 2022/23 and Accounting Statement 2022/23 to be completed shortly and publicised on the new PC website, once constructed.

1443: Parish Council NatWest Bank Account Mandate

The Siddington Parish Council bank account mandate requires updating. It was agreed that the new signatories should be Peter Wain (Chair) and Andy Meadowcroft (Vice-Chair) with immediate effect. AM to action and advise NatWest.

It was agreed AM should obtain historic bank statements (April 2021 onwards) from the bank once the mandate has been updated.

1444: Planning Matters

23/2609M installation of rolled stone, hardcore and concrete sleeper agricultural track at Hillsgreen Farm, Redesmere Lane. It was agreed this would be an improvement as cattle would no longer need to walk along a stretch of the public highway. PW to submit comments to CEC by 9 August 2023.

23/2749M the construction of domestic stables on land adjacent to Hazelwall Cottage, Pexhill Road. PW to circulate details of the application to all Councillors. Initial comments raised during the meeting were that this would result in more development in an area of over development. Comments to be submitted to CEC by 16 August 2023.

1445 First Aid Evening

Jimmy Sherratt had contacted a number of organisations over a First Aid Evening. The prices quoted were circa £200 per head, which the Council thought was too expensive. JS had also recently spoken to James Gordon who is a qualified first aider and has offered to run an evening course for 20 people (max) for £200. It was agreed to organise an evening event in October. The PC to stand the cost of £200. JS to organise. Once a date had been agreed, the event can be publicised.

1446: AOB

Sharon Forster of Hazelwall Farm has expressed an interest in taking the vacant seat on the PC. It was agreed to co-opt SF onto the Council from the next PC meeting. PW to advise SF.

All historic minutes of meetings to be obtained from the outgoing Clerk. PW to request.

PW to obtain a quotation from Andy Venables for building a PC website.

It was agreed to pay the annual subscription of £107.67 to Cheshire Association of Local Councils (ChALC) was the bank mandate has been updated.

1447 Date of forthcoming meetings

7.30pm, Tuesday 19 September 2023

7.30pm, Tuesday 21 November 2023

7.30pm, Tuesday 30 January 2024

7.30pm, Tuesday 2 April 2024

7.30pm, Tuesday 28 May 2024

PW to publicise the dates on the village notice board and on the website, once constructed.

Signed.....



Date...7.../8.../2023