

SAMPFORD'S' PARISH COUNCIL
MINUTES OF MEETING
Held 26th September 2019 @ 8pm in the Village Hall

Present

Mr William Burton
Mr William Parker
Mr Graham Keen
Mrs Kay Adye
Mrs Jane Lawrence
Mr James Woods
Ms Kath Thompson
Miss Wendy Peacock (Clerk)

Apologies

Cncl Simon Walshe
Mrs Rhian Chappell
Mr Gordon Deuce
Cncl Mr Alan Storah

Members of the Public. One

13 Public Forum

None

14 Apologies for absence

Mrs Rhian Chappell and Mr Gordon Deuce

15 Declaration of Interest from Members

None

16 To approve Minutes from the last meeting held on 27th June 2019

Minutes were approved and signed by Chairperson

17 Matters arising

- 17.1 Removal of Play activity beam in the Play area -
it was decided that the PC would remove this and possibly replace
with tractor tyres. WP to put out on Sampfords' Signal to get opinions
from community. This will be re-assessed at the next meeting.
- 17.2 Hedges on Finchingfield road -
WP to send out a polite note asking residents to cut back. (stress the
Safety aspect)

18 Correspondence

- 18.1 Sue Collins has asked for a contribution towards the Ambo of £500. WP
to see what the other villages contribute and the PC will decide via Email.
- 18.2 Gordon Orley raised concerns re the crab apple trees down Willetts Field
KT and GK will do a site visit and see if there is something that Chris Butcher
can do. WP to find out who these trees belong to.
- 18.3 Ralph Lawrence re weed clearance of river Pant - this has been done.
- 18.4 Michael Shuster re Robin Road - No further action on this. It is not
something the PC require.

19 Reports from County and District Councillors

Please see attachments

20 Reports from Councillors on their proposed area of responsibility

20.1 Play area (KT/GK)

Litter bins have all been emptied and we have a resident rabbit but no sign
of rats.

20.2 Grass Cutting and trees (GK)

Chris has again cut all the grass and its is looking good. The footpath
beside The Red Lion on the PC side has been cut back. The Red Lion need to
cut their side back.
The verge and ditch on the exit of Great Sampford is in a terrible state (over
the bridge). The PC are only responsible for grass etc up to the white fence

WP to contact the Baptist Church to find out whose responsibility that verge is.

20.3 Publicity (JL)

The Ambo has been published and JL has added an article about rural public transport.

20.4 Website and IT (RC)

Nothing to report.

WB suggested that the village organisations be contacted to submit an article every now and then that can be published on the website to keep the community updated.

JL will ask WI and Sampfords Society if they will submit something.

20.5 Liaison with Village organisations. (KA)

KA has been unable to contact Martin at the youth club for any updates.

It was agreed that the youth club is a village asset and the PC will step in and help financially if needed.

The WI donated £400 to the school towards a new shed.

20.6 Village Hall (JL/KA)

The Village Hall Committee continue to do a great job. The last Pop Up Pub was again a success and the next one is planned for December 06th alongside the Christmas Tree Lighting and will be at the church.

The accounts are looking good.

The Village Hall is now licensed to sell Alcohol.

20.7 Highways and Footpaths (KK/WP/KT)

All footpaths have been cut back. Maynards Lane still needs to be resurfaced

20.8 Planning (GD/WP)

UTT/19/2224/CLE Red Lion Pub continue to serve hot food. **No Objections**

UTT/19/2035/FUL Land rear of Meadow view Hill Road

To convert 1 poultry shed to chalet style bungalow

It was unanimously agreed to OBJECT to this. A letter to be sent to planning.

21 Finance (JW)

Current Account. £27958.40

Business Account. £25617.62

Ratification for following cheques signed

CHQ 100875. Baptist church £ 150.00

CHQ 100876. Mitie £ 90.18

CHQ 100877. Clerk Wages £ 717.66

CHQ 100878. UDC £ 230.70

22 Further items for discussion

Mr John Harrison has contacted WB with a proposal for land to build affordable housing. It is a one tie only offer. The PC cannot and will not make a decision until the outcome of the Local Plan.

At some point the PC will have to come to a decision regarding building in the village.

JW suggested that the village as a whole do something to commemorate VE day in 2020. (08th May). WP to put a note out on Sampfords Signal to get the communities ideas.

Date of next meeting 24th OCTOBER 2019 @ 8pm

William thanked everyone for coming

Meeting Closed at 21:24

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