

# Sudbury Parish Council

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## Minutes of Parish Council Meeting 4<sup>th</sup> September 2024

**Present:** Cllr. Simcox, Cllr. Woolley, Cllr Ripley, Cllr West, Cllr Gascoyne

In attendance: Kate Darcy Parish Clerk, District Councillor J. Bointon and members of the public

### **01/09/24 To receive apologies for absence**

Apologies received from County Councillor S Bull

### **02/09/24 Variation of Order of Business (if required)**

None

### **03/09/24 Declaration of Members Interests**

None

### **04/09/24 Public Speaking**

Cllr Bointon raised an issue about an abandoned caravan en-route to Somersall Herbert, which will be reported.

Head Teacher, S. Hickey from Sudbury School updated on the celebration of Wood in the Village, the National Trust had supported this, and there is a potential future event later in the year.

### **05/09/24 To confirm and agree as a true record the minutes of the Annual Parish Council meeting held on the 3<sup>rd</sup> July 2024**

It was **RESOLVED** to approve the minutes of the meeting of 3<sup>rd</sup> July 2024.

### **06/09/24 Chairmans Announcements**

Cllr Woolley advised that Cllr Airey had resigned from the Parish Council and thanked him for his efforts during his time with the Council. DDDC have been notified of the vacancy which will be published. The Chair thanked The Primary School for use of the hall for future Parish Council Meetings.

### **07/09/24 Finance**

#### **A: Income and payments to 4<sup>th</sup> September 2024**

It was **RESOLVED** to approve the income and payments to 4<sup>th</sup> September 2024.

**B: Finance** – It was **RESOLVED** to approve the accounts 31 August 2024 (*Bank reconciliation and Budget Appraisal*)

**Audit** - The Parish Clerk advised that the External Auditors had confirmed receipt of Annual Governance and Accountability Return (AGAR) and had confirmed Exemption Certificate as required.

### **08/09/25 Reimbursement of Laptop Virus Protection.**

It was **RESOLVED** to authorise payment of £39.99 to for Bitdefender Virus Protection

### **09/09/24 Report from Clerk on on-going matters**

External Auditors have acknowledged receipt of exemption status.

DDDC are consulting on Traveller sites, none in the Parish of Sudbury

Snow Warden Scheme – It was **RESOLVED** not to participate in Scheme

### **10/09/24 Sudbury Bowls Club**

It was **RESOLVED** to make a donation of £350 to Sudbury Bowls Club

### **11/09/24 Verges**

The Parish Council have contacted DDDC regarding the untidiness of the verges approaching the village. They have advised they cut the verges on behalf of DCC 6 times during the growing season. In addition there is a

biodiversity area, which also looks untidy. We will request a meeting with the manager of the Biodiversity project and the Clean and Green team to discuss all verges as some don't seem to be mown at all. Cllr Bointon will also follow up on our behalf.

#### **12/09/24 Village Defibrillator**

The new village Defibrillator sited on the side of Sudbury Hall is now operational. This has been funded by the Parish Council from the sale of the mower previously used at the cricket field, plus donations from District Cllr. J Bointon, and County Councillor S Bull for which we are grateful.

#### **13/09/24 Village Enhancements – Flower Planters**

DCC have still not issued the licence for the Flower Planters so installation is unfortunately now delayed. We continue to chase this at the highest levels at DCC with support of Cllr S Bull

#### **14/09/24 Assets**

The Parish Council are unable to determine the location of the leaf blower, despite several discussions with residents. It was **RESOLVED** to remove this from the Asset Register.

#### **15/09/24 Aston Lane Road Conditions**

The Parish Council have requested a joint meeting with DCC and Sudbury Estate about the road condition and potential flooding issues that will potentially occur during the Autumn/Winter. DCC have undertaken remedial work. We have requested that the Sudbury Estate clear the ditches more regularly to avoid flooding in this area.

#### **16/09/24 Sudbury Quarry**

The chair of the Parish Council attended the recent public meetings about the Sudbury Quarry. The chair highlighted the concerns with regarding increased traffic in and around Sudbury especially the impact of having both the Scropton and Sudbury quarry development starting at the same time, with works to start at both in early 2026. The impact of congestion and risk of HGVs diverting through the village at peak times or when there are other local road problems e.g. on the A50. Cemex advised that final planning and consultations should be complete by July 2025. The Parish Council will continue to have discussion to influence the developers where possible though the planning application have been approved to date.

#### **17/09/24 Planning applications**

*Applications;*

24/00533/LBALT – Sunken Garden Wall repairs Main Road Sudbury (deadline 23<sup>rd</sup> July) **Noted**

*Decisions*

The Vernon Arms Main Road Sudbury Derbyshire DE6 5HS

Ref. No: 24/00426/LBALT | Received: Fri 17 May 2024 | Validated: Tue 21 May 2024 | Status: Refused 2/8/24 **Noted**

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#### **18/09/24 Correspondence**

Email regarding Quarry – response will be sent to resident.

#### **19/09/24 Date of next meeting**

Next meeting is 4<sup>th</sup> November, 2024 7pm at The Primary School, School Lane, Sudbury

#### **20/09/24 Meeting close**

Meeting Closed

**Payments made since last meeting**

| Date                                       | Ledger No. | Payment made to;              | Reason  | Method | Amount          |
|--|------------|-------------------------------|---|--------|-----------------|
| 25.07.23                                   | 18         | CVS                           | Salary, liabilities and fees                                    | BACS   | £ 235.00        |
| 27.08.24                                   |            | CVS                           | Salary, liabilities and fees                                    | BACS   | £ 235.00        |
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|  |            |                               |   |        | <b>£ 470.00</b> |
| <b>Payments that require authorisation</b> |            |                               |   |        |                 |
|  |            | Sudbury Estate                | Rent for Gibb Lane Car Park (Half Yearly)                       |        | £ 600.00        |
|  |            | R Male                        | Renewal of Laptop Bitdefender                                   |        | £ 39.99         |
|  |            | Rowtype Printers              | Sketch Printing   |        | £ 135.00        |
|  |            |                               | <b>Total</b>  |        | <b>£ 774.99</b> |
| <b>Income since last meeting to note:</b>  |            |                               |   |        |                 |
| <b>Date</b>                                |            | <b>Payment received from:</b> | <b>Description</b>  |        |                 |
| 02.07.24                                   |            | DCC Members Fund              | Donation from Cllr S Bull Members Leadership fund towards Defib | BACS   | £ 500.00        |
|  |            |                               | <b>Total</b>  |        | <b>£ 500.00</b> |



