

MINUTES of the Meeting of Sigglesythorpe Parish Council which was held in the School on Thursday,
13th September, 2018 at 7.30pm

3531 PRESENT: Cllrs P. Langley (in the Chair), N. Tomlinson, Mrs. J. Palin, P. Chicken and P. Hargreaves. Cllrs Mrs. B. Jefferson and J. Whittle (ER) and several members of the Parish were also present,

3532 APOLOGIES: Cllr Mrs. K. Arundel. The Parish Clerk was absent and Cllr Tomlinson acted as Clerk.

3533 LOCALISM ACT 2011. Declarations of pecuniary and non-pecuniary interests-members to declare any interests in items on the agenda and the nature of such interests. Cllr Hargreaves declared an interest in Item 6a).

3534 MINUTES: The Minutes of the previous meeting held on 12th July, 2018 were circulated, read and approved for signature. Proposed by Cllr Mrs. Palin, seconded by Cllr Chicken, all in favour.

3535 MATTERS ARISING: Sadly the Parish Clerk, Mrs. C. Lorimer, had offered her resignation as at the March, 2019 meeting, but had kindly offered to stay on in an advisory capacity, to ensure an easy handover to the new Clerk. Her resignation was accepted and it was proposed to write her a letter of thanks. Proposed by Chairman, seconded by Cllr Chicken, all in favour. Cllrs Langley and Chicken are to initially look at finding a new Clerk and report back. We had received one application for the position of Councillor.

3536 PLANNING:

a) PLAN/Decision 18/02156/PLF Land to W of Virginia Cottage, erection of dwelling and shared double garage. Council refused 26.7.18 and ER refused 4.9.18

b) Future Plans. Because of recent events Paul Tripp (ER) would consult with us on any future ER plans which would affect the village. We would however, continue to try and contact Cllr Parnaby for a meeting. Cllr Mrs. Jefferson informed the meeting that ER was looking to set up a cttee for better liaison with Parish Councils under Cllr Kaye Wess and suggested we contact Sam Campbell (ER) and ask to be interviewed as part of their process.

c) Trees-Springfield. It was noted thus that the trees were on ER land and were unprotected and as such were felled to protect neighbouring properties.

3537 MOBILE SIGNALS: Chair reported having written to four providers, but only 02 replied, who currently had an aerial 4kms away, but were looking at putting one just 1.5 km away. The Chair would continue to try and get replies from EE, Vodaphone and Three. The Chair also reported our MP would help in this matter if necessary.

3538 ENVIRONMENTAL MATTERS:

a) Swings at Bentinck. It was reported that the remedial works to the ground area were completed, but awaiting the reinstallation of the two swings.

b) Gates at Garden Centre. Chair reported that the old barriers were still in situ and waiting for Marc Rowe to confirm permanent gates for pedestrian access.

c) Bus Shelter refurbishment. It was noted that Mr. Maltby had acknowledged our acceptance of his quote and works would commence in a couple of weeks.

d) Unstable tree, Church Lane. It was noted that a Tree Officer indicated this was a civil matter and up to the neighbours to sort out with owner. Chairman indicated he would approach the owner as an honest broker on behalf of the neighbours, not as an officer of the Parish Council.

e) Litter. Cllr Hargreaves produced some excellent leaflets to promote both the prevention of littering in the village and its collection. He was to put leaflets up in the village, but only on Parish assets. It was felt much littering was thrown from passing cars.

f) Removal of hedge, East Lane. The Chairman reported that this matter had caused more discussion in the Council than anything else for a long time. The situation was confusing as to whether the hedge alleged to have been removed was protected or not. Because it was not strictly a Parish matter, but a Planning one, it was proposed this be passed to ER. Proposed by Chairman, seconded by Cllr Mrs. Palin, passed with one abstention.

g) Walkabout-August. Several Cllrs, the Clerk and three members of ER attended on 14th August. The question of cars parked on the highways grass was discussed and ER wrote to all parties requesting they refrained from parking whilst the land was levelled and re-sown. The verges were reinstated and motorists parking elsewhere. Noted that we write to Jim McGivern and ask him to write to Mr. Smythe of I, St Lawrence Square who continues to park on the verges nr his Council bungalow, but Cllr Tomlinson pointed out the ownership of this land was in doubt.

3539 VILLAGE information-Archives. Deferred

3540 ROADS, FOOTPATHS, SEATS etc:

a) Crossing points A1035. Jenny Crabbe responded to the Clerk's query in that the two new crossing points had been audited and passed as safe. Cllr Jefferson suggested we write in reply pointing out our concerns again.

b) Footpath Gt Hatfield Road. Chairman suspended Standing Orders. Mr. Eryl Hughes a member of the Parish informed the Council regarding a letter he had received from Mark Jessop of ER in respect of the petition signed by 200 parishioners for the provision of an extension to the Gt Hatfield Road footpath. It appeared he sent the same reasons, excuses and platitudes we, as a Council, had been receiving for the past years and as such was very disappointed with the outcome. The Chairman reinstated Standing Orders. Cllr Mrs. Jefferson suggested we do not give up and write to Mark Jessop and ask if a Trod could be provided to make it better for the pedestrians who use the road. This was agreed and we would copy Mr. Hughes.

c) Footpath A1035 to Garden Centre. Previously discussed

3541 POLICE: No updated information.

3542 VILLAGE VISION: Chairman circulated a paper with ten items he hoped we could look at to make the village a better place and he would be canvassing opinions in the next month or so.

3543 DEFIBRILLATOR: Yvonne Sykes had emailed that the machine had arrived and was ready for installation. An electrician had kindly offered to wire it up, but it appeared that we may have to have it installed inside rather than outside. The Chairman to arrange a meeting with the providers to try and sort the matter out as inside was unsatisfactory.

3544 FINANCES:

a) Balances Hsbc community savings £5,298-44 c/a £10-66

b) Donation to grass cutting. An amount of £250 was agreed for grass cutting expenses. Proposed by Cllr Tomlinson, seconded by Cllr Mrs. Palin, all in favour

c) Tractor run donation. Chairman read message from Yvonne Sykes in relation to help fund the purchase of refreshments for the drivers. Cllr Chicken indicated, supported by the Cllr Tomlinson, our proposal to give £20 to the organising Charity could contravene the rules and regs governing the allotment of Parish finances. Item deferred pending further clarification.

d) Cheques for payment. The following were approved

David Smith, grass cutting exes	£250.00
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3545 CORRESPONDENCE: Chairman presented a letter from Mr. Eryl Hughes in reply to our letter to him in respect of his original letter to us pointing out his perceived shortcomings as to how the Parish Council, and our meetings are carried out. Chairman to circulate a copy in time for the next meeting.

3546 ANY OTHER BUSINESS: Cllr Mrs. Palin asked if the Chairman would put some bullet points of what had transpired at our Meeting in the Church Newsletter. Chairman agreed.

3547 DATE of next meeting. It was declared that the next meeting of the Council would take place on 8th November, 2018.

There being no further business, the meeting was declared closed at 8.40pm