**Sutton upon Derwent Parish Council**

**Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting**

**held on Monday 18th November 2019 at 7.30pm at Sutton upon Derwent Village Hall**

**Present:-**

Chair: Cllr A Hardcastle

Councillors: Cllrs T Cox, M Floyd, M Lovatt, M McCaffrey, E Smith

Ward Councillors: Cllr K West

Clerk: Mrs Yvonne Eggleston

2 parishioners were present

**133/19 To record any Apologies for Absence –** Cllrs M Piercy, P West, D Sykes

**134/19 To record any Register of Interests –** None

**135/19 To hear any matters raised by attending Parishioners with the consent of the Chairman**

1. **minutes maximum) –**

 None

**136/19 To approve the minutes of the previous meeting and release for publication if approved:**

 Proposed: Cllr Cox Seconded: Cllr Lovatt, that the minutes be approved and signed

 in readiness for publication. All in favour. **Action – YE**

**137/19 To discuss any matters arising from the minutes of the previous meeting:**

 **089/16 i) Road Safety:** **Hagg Bridge** – temporary barriers and traffic lights are in place as the result of recent accidents. The planning application for the carrying out of permanent repairs has been recently approved. It is understood from reports on the ERYC highways forward planning website, shared via social media that the bridge will be closed to traffic from January to August 2020 for the repairs to be carried out. East Cottingwith Parish Council will be carrying out a traffic survey on Friday 22nd November to ascertain the number of vehicles which will be affected by the closure. Full closure of the bridge is required due to the works involved such as replacing the road surface, replacing parapets and guard rails and permanent traffic lights. Therefore, a diversion will be put in place.

 None of the ward councillors were aware of the road closure proposals.

 After a lengthy discussion the following issues were raised for follow up with ERYC highways:

 i) will the closure be for the full 8 months or partial, dependent on the work taking place at the

 time

 ii) could a temporary bridge be put in place as before in the 1970’s when a pontoon bridge was

 erected,

 iii) should the local communities suggest a route for the diversion as we have more knowledge of local lanes

 iv) ask why the news has come via social media and no formal contact made. A complaint should

 be made.

 v) ask if the carriageway will be raised as it currently floods during heavy rainfall.

 **118/18 i) Safety measures for schoolchildren** – local businesses are against the banning or restriction ofHGVs crossing Sutton Bridge. The lorries would then divert via Newton/Sandhill Lane. There are greater concerns on how traffic passes through the village, rather than the quantity. Traffic calming measures need to be introduced at and on the approaches to the school. It was agreed that efforts should be put into slowing traffic down.

 Data from the current speed and count surveys that are being carried out should be sought. A request for the speed camera van to be positioned on Sandhill Lane will be made. It was suggested that local businesses and residents be asked to be more considerate when travelling through the village. **Action - YE**

Money is available for a crossing patrol.

The temporary traffic lights at Hagg Bridge (soon to be permanent) are causing a convoy system passing through the Village, resulting in the formation of queues on the triple S bend between the St Vincent Arms and Sutton Bridge. A request for signage warning of queueing traffic will be made. **Action - YE**

 **006/19 iv) Dog fouling in the village** – smaller copies of the children’s posters will be made

 available.

 The Parish Council has been successful in having a Public Spaces Protection Order placed on

 Children’s Playing Field. It is now a fineable offence to take a dog onto the Playing Field. A reminder will be put in the Parish newsletter. **Action - YE**

 **011/19 i) Emergency Plan and Emergency Box** – a date will be arranged for checking the

equipment. Cllr Hardcastle is to finalise the plan.

 **086/19 i) Village Taskforce Walkabout** – outstanding items to be chased. The schedule will be

 re-circulated. The village plan is to be checked re the ownership of the church path. **Action - YE**

 **096/19 i) Suggested Bus Shelter opposite Village Hall** – Cllr West reported that there wasn’t

 any funding available for a bus shelter. It is necessary to secure a better bus service. Cllr P West

 will be asked obtain passenger data. **Action – PW**

 This will be kept on the agenda for another month in order to gather the necessary information.

 **109/19 i) Grass verge from the Church to Sutton Bridge** – notification has been received that

 this will be placed on ERYC’s cutting schedule.

 **109/19 ii) Request for the creation of allotments** – an article has been placed in the Parish

 Newsletter. This is for Sutton residents only. February is the closing date for expressions of

 interest. Carter Jonas will be asked if the Crown Estate will release some land for this project.

 Interest is required from a minimum of 16 residents. **Action – YE**

 **130/19 i) Bench in memory of the Stubbins family** – the clerk reported that Mr Smallwood is in

 agreement for the bench to be erected on the riverbank.

**138/19**  **Agenda Items**

 **i) Fireworks Display** – this was very successful with enough money donated to run the event

next year. There have been both positive and negative comments.

 The loud noise of the bangs was a result of the positioning of the fireworks. The fireworks are dug

 in so that prevailing winds carry the noise away from the village. Unfortunately, the wind had

 swung round in the early evening, resulting in the noise being carried towards residences. It was

 agreed that as this is a successful community event, the Parish Council will continue organising it for the 5th November. To cancel it, would likely result in multiple smaller private events over a period of days.

 It was agreed that the timing of the lighting of the fireworks could be streamlined better. More

 volunteers are needed to help with the event. Cllr McCaffrey will liaise with Mr P Kirby. Thanks

 will be sent to Mr Kirby and his team for an enjoyable display. **Action – YE, MM**

 **ii) Willow tree in Children’s Playing Field** – a complaint has been received from a resident in

 Derwent Park Close about the roots of a willow tree causing damage to the foundations of his

 garage.. The Clerk reported that she has passed this onto Carter Jonas for clarification of

 responsibility. It was agreed that none were required.

 **iii) East Riding of Yorkshire Future Communities Initiative** – this will be passed to the Village

 Hall Committee and the school.

**139/19 Children’s Playing Field Work Group** – there are still a few pieces of the equipment to be put

 back.

 The Risk Assessment is almost completed. **Action – ES, MF**

**140/19 To hear report from the Flood/Drainage Committee** – as several members are no longer

 serving on this committee, it was proposed that this be brought back under the remit of the Parish

 Council so that new councillors can acquaint themselves with the objectives of the group.

 Proposed: AH seconded: MF

 **141/19**  **To note and approve the Monthly Financial Report for October 2019**

 Proposed: Cllr Cox Seconded: Cllr Lovatt. All agreed.

 **To receive and note expenditure against precept to date** – received and noted.

 **To note and approve any Requests for Payment and any other requests for payments**

 **received:**

1. Clerk’s salary & holiday pay- £431.11
2. Income Tax - £95.20

3) Cutting of Beacon Green grass and hedge - £153.00

4) Cutting of Playing Field grass - £200.00

5) Public Liability Insurance- £336.58

 Proposed: Cllr McCaffrey Seconded: Cllr Cox. All agreed that the payments be made.

 **142/19 To note and process any Planning Matters**

 None

 **Notices of decisions received:**

 **19/03029/PLB Removal of existing bridge deck and wooden railings and replace with**

 **reinforced concrete bridge deck to support concrete upstand concealed behind the re-**

 **built brick parapet and stone copings, replacement of timber/steel flitch post and rail**

 **system and general repairs, including coping stones with matching sandstone and re-**

 **pointing of existing brickwork – Hagg Bridge, Hagg Lane, Storwood for ERYC**

Approved

**143/19 To hear and note any correspondence matters**

 None

**144/19 To conduct any other business by consent of the Chairman**

 A new location for the spreading of some wild flower seed needs to be identified as the moss on

 the church bank would choke any growth.

**145/19 To fix the date and time of the next meeting.**

 Monday 16th December 2019 at 7.30pm.

 There being no other business, the meeting closed at 9.58pm.