

St Albans Parish Council

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Minutes of Meeting 27th of April 2021 via Zoom

Present: Cllr M Thorpe (Chairman), Cllr R Ellis, Cllr J King,, Cllr F Lari

In Attendance: Anne Daly, Clerk, and two members of the public

Chairman opened the meeting at 7.00 pm and welcomed attendees. He asked if any members of the public had any questions or comments.

SAPC21- 55 Declarations of intent to record, film or photograph the meeting by members, members of the public or the press.

Chairman confirmed that the meeting would be recorded for the purposes of producing minutes. The Clerk confirmed they would also be recording. No-one else expressed their intention to record the meeting.

SAPC21-56 To receive apologies for absence.

Cllr Gibbons would be late to the meeting.

SAPC21-57 To receive disclosures of pecuniary and non-pecuniary interests pursuant to section 31 Localism Act 2011 from councillors on matters considered at this meeting.

The Chairman declared a pecuniary interest in Item SAPC 21-66

SAPC21-58 To determine which items on the agenda, if any, require the exclusion of public and press under the Public Bodies (Admissions to Meetings) Act 1960 1 (2) and resolve to exclude public and press for these items.

There were no Agenda items which require the exclusion of press and public

SAPC21-59 To receive minutes of previous St. Albans Parish Council meeting(s) and resolve to sign these as a true record of the meeting(s).

Proposed Cllr Thorpe Seconded Cllr Ellis. The minutes were agreed and signed as a true record

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SAPC21-60 Matter arising from the minutes.

Grit bins have been topped up and free grit received. More grit purchased.

SAPC21-61 To receive a report from the County and Borough Councillors.

Cllr Ellis reported that Borough had continued to work hard particularly with NHS supporting the community through the COVID Pandemic. Continuing to support St Albans Community Kitchen. 130 meals served per week. Local Children been given Play Days in a bag.

SAPC21-62 To receive oral reports from the Parish Councillors.

Cllr Thorpe – wished the 7 candidates’ good luck in the forthcoming Parish Council elections. As it was his last meeting as Chairman he thanked everyone for their hard work over the past year.

Cllr King – thanked Cllr Thorpe for his work in what has been a difficult year. A date as yet to be confirmed for a meeting with Gedling Borough Council re fencing issues round the Deer Park area. Positive news re Muirfield Park lighting, installation date early May. One of benches on Bestwood Lodge Drive is badly corroded and would potentially need replacing.

Cllr Lari – posts now in place for the park run. Signs in production. Runs to recommence 2nd June. Junior park runs already restarted.

Cllr Ellis moved a vote of thanks for Cllr Thorpe’s hard work. Seconded Cllr Lari.

SAPC21-63 To discuss and agree siting of the 2nd Defibrillator following the successful grant application.

Several sites were discussed, Proposed Cllr Lari, seconded Cllr Thorpe that Council hasn’t agreed location and Clerk to look at solutions and the three locations and bring further information to next meeting.

SAPC21-64 To update and agree any necessary actions for the Photographic Competition.

Will be an item on each meeting announcing winner for both categories. Will be posted on Facebook and website. March winner is Pat Iger – entry entitled Twilight. Still time for more entries in April.

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SAPC21-65 Progress Report on Asset of Community Value and partnership working with other stakeholders. (Planning Application 2021/0042 refers).

Cllr Ellis said she had not been able to produce the questionnaire due to family commitments it hoped to do so shortly.

Cllr Gibbons joined meeting at 7-27.

SAPC21-66 FINANCE

- a. **Reimbursement of grit purchased in April by Cllr Thorpe - £75.**

Proposed Cllr Ellis Seconded Cllr King. Agreed it would be paid.

SAPC21-67 PLANNING

- a. **2020/1404– To ratify the comment made to Gedling Borough Council that ‘St Albans Parish Council would like to note that concerns have been raised by parishioners on grounds of parking.’**

P.Cllr Ellis S Cllr Thorpe. Agreed to ratify.

- b. **2021/0229 TPO – Mr Peter Helton – 6 Sidlaw Road, Bestwood. Removal of 2 limbs and crown reduction of 33%.**

Council takes a neutral stance and makes no comment.

- c. **2021/0243 TPO –Mr Matthew Riley – 31 Sidlaw Road, Bestwood. Sycamore – reduce lateral branches by 2m from the 3 and crown lift by 33%.**

Council takes a neutral stance and make no comment

SAPC21-68 To note correspondence(s) received and previously circulated to members.

Damage to zip wire reported and had been repaired within a few days.

A recent accident on the zip wire had been refereed to Gedling Borough.

Notification of candidates for forthcoming Parish Elections.

SAPC21-69 To receive Items for Notification to be included on next meeting’s agenda. (for information only).

- a) To purchase of Grit Bin for Tithe Gardens
- b) Replacement of Bench on Bestwood Lodge Drive

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- c) Progress Report on Asset of Community Value and partnership working with other stakeholders (Planning Application 2021/0042 refers
- d) To discuss and agree sitting of the 2nd Defibrillator following the successful grant application.

SAPC21-70 To confirm date of next scheduled meeting.

Annual Parish Meeting to be held on Tuesday 4th May at 7pm, with the annual Parish Council meeting be held on the same night at 7-30.

Chairman thanked everyone for attending and closed the meeting at 7-57pm.