

SANDON and BURSTON PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on 10th February 2016

At Sandon Parish Room Commencing 7.30pm.

Present

Councillor R Harris
Councillor C A Jackson Chairman
Councillor P Shaw
Councillor S Shelley
Parishioners :-
Mr & Mrs Clifford, Mrs S Lloyd, Mrs M Copestick, Mr Phillips, Mr & Mrs Capjon,
Mr & Mrs Selby, Mr & Mrs Pilling, Mrs B Wilson, Mrs A Tams, Mr Dewberry,
Mr Hudson, Mr & Mrs Wildblood, Mr & Mrs Brookes, E Harris (Stone resident)

All parishioners and the Stone resident left the meeting after Minute 15/147.1.

Clerk B A Boughey

- 15/142 Apologies** Councillor J Millington (*Work*)
15/142.1 Other Apologies District Councillor Councillor Harp
- 15/143 Minutes**
RESOLVED that the minutes of the Parish Council meeting of 13th January 2016 be signed by the meeting Chairman.
- 15/144 Chairman's Announcements.**
15/144.1 Announcement relating to the need for a parish website in relation to the Financial Transparency Code.
- 15/145 Declarations of Disclosable Personal Interests, Personal Declared Interests and other Personal Interests.**
15/145.1 Councillor Shaw. Aspects of the Neighbourhood Plan, should they arise.
- 15/146 Public Participation**
15/146.1 Sandon and Burston Neighbourhood Plan
15/146.1.1 A letter, signed by twenty three Parishioners was handed to the Parish Council. Response requested to nine questions and a statement formally asking the Parish Council to withdraw the Plan for further consultation, specifically on the sites in Burston.
15/146.1.2 Prior to the Parish Council meeting seventeen letters or emails, raising objections to Plan had been received. Two of the letters were from Parishioners who had not signed the letter handed to the Parish Council earlier.
15/146.1.3 Discussion followed on aspects of the Sandon and Burston Neighbourhood Plan
15/146.1.3.1 Councillor Jackson statement. The latest revised Plan had been delivered to Stafford Borough last week. Once accepted by the Borough there would be a six week consultation period, thereafter the Plan and comments received would be passed to the appointed Inspector. The Inspector would come to a decision prior to any Referendum. The objections raised were similar to those raised at the January meeting.
15/146.1.3.2 Statements and Questions from Parishioners.
Asking for the Plan to be withdrawn and amended before progressing to the Inspector.

Further consultation expected before the Plan was submitted.

It can and should be revised.

Asking for amendments.

Support for the Plan if the changes proposed by Burston residents are taken into account.

Objections ignored from the outset.

Lack of consultation.

Who paid for the Plan.

Easy for the Plan to be called back from the Borough

Is the Parish Council going to withdraw the Plan.

- 15/146.1.3.3 During the discussions on the Plan objections were raised by the majority of those present including Mr Hudson, Councillor Shaw responded to Mr Hudson's objections to development in Burston by suggesting that there were restrictions placed on Mr Hudson objecting to development on an adjacent site following his recent purchase of Burston Hall, by virtue of a legal agreement with the previous owner who retained ownership of the adjacent site.

The Parish Council meeting was adjourned at this point following an hour of discussion on the Plan. Continuing the with the Meeting and Public Participation.

- 15/146.2 Mrs Tams reminded the Parish Council about the Queen's Birthday commemorations and asked about the organisation of events.
Item included on the Agenda.

15/147 Outstanding Matters Reports and Updates

15/147.1 Neighbourhood Plan

Note was taken of the objections raised.

The seventeen letters and emails received from Burston residents, fourteen of the letters were from residents West of the railway bridge on Burston Lane, representing 25% of residents on the Register of Electors, West of the railway bridge.

Of the twenty three signatures on the letter handed over at the meeting all but two were from residents West of the railway bridge on Burston Lane, representing 37% of residents from that area of Burston.

Of the seventeen letters or emails two were from residents who had not signed the joint letter.

The total number of written objections received was 25 which represents 8.6% of the Parish.

- 15/147.1.1 Councillor Shaw left the meeting at this point.

- 15/147.1.2 There were no resolutions proposed to withdraw the Plan.

- 15/147.1.3 Proposal from Councillor Harris

That the Minutes of this Parish Council meeting, the individual letters of objection received and the joint letter of objection be submitted to Stafford Borough Council as part of the consultation documents pertaining to progression of the Plan.

- 15/147.1.3.1 RESOLVED unanimously to adopt the proposal by Councillor Harris.

- 15/147.1.4 Councillor Shaw returned to the meeting and all Parishioners left following the vote

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- 15/147.2 Transparency Code Requirements and Funding Application.
Funding application to be submitted on the basis of recommendations proposed by a person conversant with running such websites.

- 15/147.3 Senior Citizens Lunch
Lunch arranged at the Parish Room on Wednesday 2nd March 2016.
Invitations to be sent out within the next week.
- 15/147.4 Burston Pool
Ownership transfer request from the Parish Council still being considered by Stafford Borough prior to possible discussions.
- 15/147.5 Bus Shelters
Work on the two Bus Shelters to continue when circumstance allow.
- 15/147.6 Berrisford Bench replacement. Still being progressed.
- 15/147.7 Queen's 90th Birthday commemoration.
Tea Party to be considered for the weekend of 11th / 12th June. AGENDA.

15/148 Planning

- 15/148.1 Applications returned to Stafford Borough Council - Reply Awaited
- 15/148.1.1 15/23444/FUL Oak Tree Farm Rural Project. Replacement Buildings.
- 15/148.1.2 15/23476/LBC Burston Hall Internal alterations and replacement piggery roof.

- 15/148.2 Application decisions by Stafford Borough Council. *None*

- 15/148.3 Applications received by the Parish Council for consultation.
- 15/148.3.1 15/23240/DCON Three Woods, Old Lichfield Road, Burston. Re conditions.
Now withdrawn.

- 15/148.4 Planning Appeals or Queries.
- 15/148.4.1 15/22171/HOU The Old Barn, 2 Carr House Barns, Butterhill Bank.
Appeal Allowed Appeal against refusal for a Garden Shed.

15/149 Finance

- 15/149.1 Financial Statement and Bank Account reconciliation presented by the Clerk.

The meeting was adjourned for the County and District Councillor's reports and convened thereafter.

15/150 Report from County Councillor. Not present. No report.

15/150 Report from District Councillor. Not present. No report.

15/151 Items Raised by Member Councillors / Clerk

- 15/151.1 Councillor Shaw. Poor state of the start of Woodcock Lane BOAT section.
- 15/151.2 Councillor Shelley.
- 15/151.2.1 Refuse Vehicle visit on 30th January - only one customer.
- 15/151.2.2 A litter picking operation along the A51 through Sandon observed.

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15/152 Correspondence

- 15/152.1 Staffordshire County Council
- 15/152.1.1 County Record Office. Receipt for deposited records received.
Minutes 2005 to 2013. Account Books 1970 to 1997.

- 15/152.2 Stafford Borough Council
- 15/152.2.1 Mayor's Office. Invitation. Charity Evening Meal. 29th February. For information.

- 15/152.3 Staffordshire Parish Councils' Association
- 15/152.3.1 Weekly email update emails circulated for information.

- 15/152.4 Community Council of Staffordshire
- 15/152.4.1 Best Kept Village Competition 2016.
Entry Form completed by Mr Jubb. To be forwarded with payment of £15.89 to follow.
- 15/152.4.2 Diary of Events for 2016. Information required.

15/153 Date of Next Meeting Wednesday 9th March 2016. Sandon Parish Room.

- 15/153.1 Apologies given by Councillor Harris for the March meeting. There is also a possibility that Councillor Jackson will be able to attend the meeting.

The Meeting concluded at 9.30pm.

Signed _____ Chairman

Date _____