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| **SIDLESHAM PARISH COUNCIL****Draft Minutes of Parish Council Meeting****Held on Wednesday 15 February 2023****The Parish Rooms, Church Farm Lane at 7.50pm** |
| **Present:** Cllr M Mellodey (Chairman), Cllrs A Harland, C Field, C Hall, R Ryder, N Wade, L Ramm, M Monnington, Cllr P Montyn (WSCC), the Clerk.  |
|  | **Welcome and Apologies for Absence.**  |
|  | Apologies received from Cllrs M Mellodey, M Monnington, T Tull, & D Johnson (CDC) |
|  | **Declaration by Councillors of Personal Interests of Items on this Agenda.**  |
|  | None |
|  | **Questions from the Public.** (Exempt Subjects on the Agenda). None |
|  | **Minutes of Last Council Meeting.**  |
|  | Cllr Harland proposed and Cllr Field seconded, that the Minutes of the meeting held on the 18 January 2023 be approved and signed. All agreed. |
|  | **Matters arising from the above minutes not dealt with in separate items below.** |
| **5.1** | **Village Sign** – It was confirmed renovation costs for this was included in the Precept. Cllr Hall confirmed the cost would be £580.26 inclusive. It was agreed to proceed. |
| **5.2** | **Keynor Lane/Rookery Lane** – the Clerk confirmed no response received from Southern Water. Both Cllrs Wade & Field reiterated the problems due to damage committed to the roadsides by the tankers/lorries etc. Cllr Montyn informed the Parish Council that he was working closely with Southern Water and their contractors and was very aware of the problems described. He asked that photographic evidence be sent to him, which he will present at his next meeting with them next week. Cllr Montyn proceeded to give a synopsis of the current problems being encountered by Southern Water. |
|  | **WSCC Councillor Update:**  |
|  | Cllr Montyn confirmed the changes with regard to the flashing light signs for the School Plan. Cllr Montyn spoke about the proposed new Council Tax which is in the process of being decided, but it is looking to be a rise of 4.99%. They will be voting on Friday, but he could confirm that there would be no cutbacks. |
|  | **CDC Councillor Update:**  |
|  | Cllr Purnell confirmed that the local Council Tax has not been agreed yet as they have to wait for the County Council to confirm theirs, but it is around £5.11 increase. Cllr Purnell confirmed the Local Plan Public Consultation was now open and depending on the outcome from that will depend on whether it will be submitted or not for final vote before the elections. Further discussion ensued regarding the Local Plan and its inclusion. |
|  | **Sidlesham Memorial Recreation Ground.** |
|  | SMRH Business Rates: Cllr Riach confirmed they have been paid but the Chairman believes the dates are incorrect and will be contesting this on his return for a rebate. The Clerk confirmed hearing from HMRC VOA, but unfortunately has had to go back to them for further assistance as she is unable to follow their first instructions.  |
|  | **Capital Expenditure** – Cllr Ryder confirmed that the latest budget had been circulated and Cllrs all agreed with it. Cllr Wade requested that the total budget be shown at the top and what has been spent so far. Cllr Riach confirmed would pass this on. Cllr Wade also suggested that the Clerk apply for a Credit Card to cover bills that require immediate payment.  |
|  | **Sign** – Cllr Hall spoke about public support for obtaining a better sign to the Recreational Ground. Cllr Hall had approached Cllr Montyn for advice, which was duly received. Cllr Hall requested agreement from the Parish Council to progress obtaining a brown tourist sign for the entrance to the Ground. It was agreed. |
|  | **Development of a MOU between SCA & Infinity** - Cllr Ryder confirmed this was in hand. |
|  | **Coronation** – Discussion ensued, but it was agreed to co-ordinate with SCA and the Church for activities for this event. The SCA are proposing to hold a gala concert (provided the hall is ready) on the Sunday, an open/picnic day and Infinity has offered to hold a charity football game. A suggestion was made for the SPC to sponsor an activity. It was agreed to defer this to the next meeting.  |
|  | **Foul Sewer** – Cllr Ryder suggested that the work be carried out now, rather than later and a third quote will be sought as two are already in existence. Defer to next month’s meeting. |
|  | **Playground** – Cllr Hall asked for this to be on the Agenda for next month. Cllr Hall confirmed meeting with a Maintenance firm on Friday and arranging to meet another with regard to maintaining the playground on a regular basis. |
|  | **Neighbourhood Plan/Local Plan** |
|  | Cllr Ryder stated that a meeting between Cllr Field, Cllr Ryder and Mr Bedford took place last week and there are just a few tweaks to bring it in line with the Local Plan. Items that were not in agreement were regarding A27 and the Community Asset Requisition. However, Mr Bedford is dealing with this. Cllr Field confirmed now there are no plans for selling Church land. Cllr Ryder confirmed it would be reviewed shortly, whereupon they will share it with the Parish Council and if agreed, will be passed to CDC Neighbourhood Officer for their advice. Cllr Ryder confirmed it should be ready for the next meeting. |
|  | **Finance:** Cllr Harland proposed and Cllr Field seconded the summary of income and expenditure at 10.1 and 10.2 be accepted. All approved. |
| **10.1** | **Income**

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| Ref | Who | What  | Amount£ |
| 10.1.1 | SCA | Half Refurbishment Costs | 6,633.00 |
| 10.1.2 | SCA | Half Refurbishment Costs | 1,065.00 |
| 10.1.3 | Pink PHYS | Pitch Hire | 50.00 |
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| **10.2** | **Schedule of Account for Payment:**

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| Ref | Who | What  | Amount£ |
|  | Alison Colban | Salary January | 616.00 |
|  | HMRC | Tax for the Clerk | 154.00 |
|  | Alison Colban | Expenses 22/12/22-18/1/23 | 48.80 |
|  | Scan Station Computers Ltd | HDMI to SVGA Converter Adapter | 15.00 |
|  | Pink PHYS | Pitch Hire  | 50.00 |
|  | CDC | Recycling Collection SMRG | 10.50 |
|  | Nick Wade | SMRG – Line Plaint/Flags | 126.95 |
|  | CDC Revenues Dept | SMRG Rates Bill | 915.82 |

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| **11.** | **Highways**  |
| **11.1** | Discussion ensued as to the possibility of speed camaras, but Cllr Purnell confirmed Highways/Police would not pay for them and they are very costly. Cllr Wade mentioned about Ham Road speed limit of 60mph reducing to 30mph by the school, not enough warning of this reduction of speed. Cllr Montyn said he would investigate this further. Cllr Wade confirmed the Report is almost ready despite not receiving any further evidence. |
| **12.** | **Manhood Wildlife & Heritage Group**  |
| **12.1** | **Fallen Tree Florence Pond** – Cllr Lewis confirmed the work had been carried out and the Clerk confirmed receiving proposed plans about the maintenance of the village ponds, which will be circulated to all Councillors for their information. |
| **13.** | **Matters of Urgent Public Importance:** - Cllr Wade confirmed liaising with the Clerk regarding Data and Cyber Protection which has been requested by Government to be completed. |
| **14.** | **Matters of Information:**  |
| **14.1** | **APM** – Discussion ensued as to the proposed date being too late with the elections occurring this year. It was felt it should be brought forward. The 22nd March was suggested and after further discussion was agreed. The Clerk was asked to check that the Parish Council would not be in Purdah and whether the presentation booked could be transferred. |
| **115.** | **Requests for Future Agenda Items:** - to be emailed to the Clerk. |
| **19.** | **Date of Next Meeting**: 15 March 2023 in the Parish ‘Rooms. |

Meeting ended 21.05 pm

Alison Colban, Parish Clerk, Sidlesham Parish Council