

SUTTON UPON TERN PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Sutton upon Tern Parish Council Annual Parish and Annual Meetings held at 7.30pm on Wednesday the 29th May 2024, at the Festival Drayton Centre.

Present: Cllr Michael Dams (Chair), Cllr Terry Hodge, Cllr James Danks, Cllr Catherine Morgan and Cllr John Lugg.

Clerk: Graham Bould.

Shropshire Council: Councillor Rob Gittins.

RAF Shawbury: Warrant Officer Kevin Morley and Louise Wallace.

Chairman Market Drayton Golf Club: Steve Fulcher.

Annual Parish Meeting.

31/24. Welcome, Public and Partner Session.

1. The Chairman welcomed everyone to the Parish Council meeting and invited any comments.
2. Report of the Chairman: Report attached
3. Warrant Officer Kevin Morley updated members about night flying, Hi Viz. for horse riders and the Aries Magazine. The details of this report would be circulated via email. Members wished him well in his retirement and looked forward to working with Louise Wallace from the Station.
Shropshire Councillor Rob Gittins highlighted items from his annual report a copy of which will be circulated to members and held on file.
Steve Fulcher highlighted a number of items of mutual interest from the Golf Club and members agreed to follow up the 'Parish Surgery' idea with a potential date in early August 2024 to be confirmed, with leaflets to be distributed the first week of July 2024.
There being no further items the Chairman thanked the Partners present for their input and moved onto the next item of business.

Annual Meeting.

32/24. Election of the Chairman: Cllr Catherine Morgan proposed and Cllr James Danks seconded that Cllr Michael Dams be elected Chairman for 224/25, agreed unanimously.

33/24. Election of the Vice Chairman: Cllr Catherine Morgan proposed and Cllr John Lugg seconded that Cllr Terry Hodge be elected Vice Chairman for 224/25, agreed unanimously.

34/24. To confirm membership of the Rights of Way working group and Community led Housing working group:
Rights of Way: Cllrs Dams, Hodge, Morgan & Middling. Housing: Cllrs Dams, Danks, Jackson, Tomkinson & Lugg plus Shropshire Councillor Rob Gittins, Rev Jane Morris & Steve Fulcher.

35/24. Election of other officers as representatives to external bodies.

1. Helicopter Liaison Group – Cllr Lauren Carey.
2. Community Resilience – Cllr John Lugg
3. North Shropshire Area Committee of SALC - Cllr Catherine Morgan
4. Tern Hill Task Force & A41 Joint working group – Cllr Michael Dams.

36/24. Apologies:

Cllr Esta Jane Middling (family commitments), Cllr Lauren Carey (illness), Cllr John Tomkinson (work commitments), Cllr Deborah Sambrook (holidays), PCSO Tara Carruthers (shift patterns) and PC Iain McIntosh (illness) West Mercia Police.

37/24. Declaration of Disclosable Pecuniary or any other Interests and Dispensations: None

38/24. Approval of the minutes of the meeting held on the Wednesday 27th March 2024.

Cllr Terry Hodge proposed and Cllr Catherine Morgan seconded the minutes of the 27th March 2024 as a true and accurate record of the meeting. Members agreed the minutes unanimously and the Chair signed the minutes in the presents of Councillors.

39/24. Clerks Report:

The Clerk highlighted a number of items from their report. The following items formed the basis of further discussion. Members confirmed the Parish, Police, Priorities as Speeding, thief from/of farm vehicles and fraud/thief, and that DWP be signposted to the Golf Club in terms of help to fill vacancies and any other direct help.

40/24. Web site/social media updates: Carried forward

41/24. Defibrillator requested on the A41: Members agreed to further investigate the provision of a second defibrillator serving the A41. The first steps will be to identify a potential location, seek support from Stoke upon Tern Parish Council and seek out external grant funding.

42/24. Cyber Awareness discussion: After a short discussion members agreed to be aware of emails that look like a 'fishing trip' and to double check any email addresses.

43/24. Planning Applications:

24/01235/FUL: Phoenix House, Tern Hill – change of use from B8 storage to C2 residential. **No Objections.**

24/01271/FUL: Sutton Grange, Sutton – erection of agricultural building for grain storage. **No Objections.**

24/01290/FUL: Colehurst Lake, Gorsty Lane – disabled access holiday accommodation. **No Objections.** **24/02308/FUL:** Colehurst Grange – single storey rear kitchen extension. **No Objections.** **24/01593/FUL:** 18, Garden City, Tern Hill – single storey extension/replacement porch. **No Objections.**

44/24. Finance and Audit Matters.

1. Approval of Exemption, Accounting Statement and Approval of Governance Statement 2023/24 agreed.

2. The following payments were agreed and cheques signed for the following Parish Council commitments.

Number	Name	Amount
100481	Festival Drayton (room Hire	£22.50
100482	Zurich (insurance)	£369.77
100483	SALC (affiliation)	£505.75
100484	HMRC (PAYE)	£211.00
100485	Clerks Q1 salary (salary)	£1,194.95
100486	Clerk expenses (expenses)	£70.80
100487	Susan Hartland (audit)	£50.00
DD	SWALEC (May)	£49.32

45/24. Highways & Footpaths.

1. Community Speed Watch: still awaiting Police response in terms of the A529.

2. Public Transport campaign: Cllr M Dams has been in dialogue with the Transport Officer at Shropshire Council, evidence is required of need to influence any long term plans for public transport, potential to discuss further with other surrounding areas.

3. A41 joint working group: Awaiting confirmation of grant/locations of cameras etc. before a meeting is reconvened.

4. Rights of Way Working Groups report back: awaiting potential date/s from Shropshire Council, paths that need attention Pell Wall and Sandy Lane plus bridle ways across the golf course.

5. Fly tipping campaigns: Signs up, Cllr M Dams to circulate dates for future litter picking sessions, potential to focus on areas of the A529.

6. Roads needing 'Not Suitable for HGV's status: members agreed to request a focus on Sutton Lane/Sutton Road and Colehurst for signs.

46/24. Items for inclusion on future agendas: additional bins within the parish.

The meeting then closed at 21.02pm

Signed:

Chairman.

Date: 24th July 2024