

# South Milford Parish Council Monthly Ordinary Meeting Parish Councils Act, 1894

## Minutes of an Ordinary meeting of South Milford Parish Council held at 7.45pm at Grove House, Grove Crescent, South Milford 26<sup>th</sup> April 2022

### 1. Apologies and welcome all Councillors

Apologies from Cllrs Shaw, Donnelly, Houston and Faria Dean.

Cllr Gore wanted to thank departing Cllrs Donnelly, Houston and Faria Dean for their contribution on the Parish Council. Cllr Houston as offered to continue helping with the Christmas Lights.

### 2. Declarations of Disclosure Pecuniary and Other Interests – none

### 3. To approve Minutes from the Monthly Ordinary Meeting held on Tuesday 29<sup>th</sup> March 2022

Proposed Cllr Gigg seconded Cllr Brooksbank.

### 4. SDC Updates – Cllr Grogan

- A thin strip of the land at the traveller's site along the A63 is in the South Milford parish. There are problems at the site because there are too many caravans on there. SDC are trying to push the planning Inspector for a decision on the latest application.
- Cllr Grogan is looking into the problems with the traffic issues around The Cumin Lounge on Low Street. He will also be looking at the acting school parking, as there appears to be a difference in views as to whether this is part of the problem or not.

### 5. Updates from areas of responsibility, other meetings, and correspondence

- Park
  - Any maintenance updates (ROSPA quotes, and items covered under item 6)
  - Update from Sensory Garden working party – **Cllr Gigg updated the Parish Council after a recent working party meeting. There was not a lot of support for the original Sensory Garden plan to go ahead. People were more in favour of improving this area in more natural ways, perhaps with wildflowers. There is potential interest in putting the Sensory Garden in another area of the Park. The working party are looking to seek more information from experts who should be able to provide advice about improvement to the Park. The Working Party aim to come back to the next Parish Council meeting with a proposal. Given the likely delay / change in proposal regarding the Sensory Garden, we should update the company offering the grant – Cllr Gigg to do this as Cllr Shaw is away on holiday.**
  - Quotations for MUGA nets including quote – **given the Sensory Garden discussion, and the significant costs involved, after discussion it was decided to not pursue MUGA nets at the current time.**
- Update on paths
  - Update from NYCC meeting – **Cllr Grogan informed the PC that it was a good meeting and good to move forward.**

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- Highways
  - Update on Parish Council purchasing flashing speeding sign(s) for the village – **forms signed and hopefully the sign can be installed shortly.**
  - Any updates from Cllr Grogan re parking issues on Low Street near the Cumin Lounge – **see item 4.**
  - Possible areas for 20mph speed limits – **agreed to cover this and seek residents' thoughts for possible locations in the newsletter.**
- Old Quarry (wooded area off Westfield Lane) – update on proposed improvements – **additional project management costs to approve, see item 6.**
- Allotments – update on consideration of possible sites – **There was a recent item on Facebook and a possible piece of land was mentioned within this. We need to step up our search for a piece of suitable piece of land, with the land owned by the PC off Turpin Lane (which includes restrictive covenants) not being ruled out (although this is quite a way outside the village). Cllr Gore to check the restrictive covenants and contact a local farmer about this and possible other pieces of land.**
- S106 and CIL funds update – **We have received notice for a further £1.5k from CIL. Clerk has requested it. We have 3 years to spend this and need to inform SDC what we spend it on.**
- Queen's Jubilee celebrations / events – any update from Cllr Shaw – **Cllr Gore informed the Parish Council that the only organised event we have been made aware of within South Milford was WI hosted event on the Sunday.**
- Items only to be discussed if any meaningful updates:
  - Football club – update in respect of lease and Swan Croft involvement - **Cllr Diamond is organising a meeting of Swan Croft.**
  - South Milford Against Flooding – any updates – **none**
  - Sherburn Aero Club – any recent complaints – **none**

### **6. Items for discussion including further Actions, Proposals and Votes**

- Consider (and potentially approve) possible ROSPA repairs at the park, but properly consider alternative options – **Cllr Diamond asked if it was ok to go ahead with the repairs as per the quotations provided by the Park Committee. Cllr Gore raised concerns about the longer term plan, and whether continually spending significant sums on repairs was sensible, compared to the alternative of looking to fully replace some of the equipment. After discussion, it was agreed to go ahead with the minimum amount of repairs required this year, check with the Park Committee that all 'red items' on the ROSPA report have been addressed and in the coming months look into the options and costs for replacing the junior swings and climbing frame items.**
- Yr 6 leavers South Milford Primary School – donation towards this event. Further email with information, seeking £10 each for 22 children. **Cllr Brooksbank proposed to give £220.00 and seconded Cllr Gigg – all agreed.**
- Approval of repair work to the Christmas lights - £1180 plus VAT **Proposed Cllr Gigg and seconded Cllr Gore. All agreed.**
- Any decisions needed in connection with the proposed improvements to the Old Quarry area **£2k was previously approved in respect of project management work on this project, but an additional £1k is likely to be needed to complete the project. Proposed Cllr Gigg seconded Cllr Brooksbank. All agree.**

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- Discussion and high-level agreement to the content and wording of the proposed newsletter **Discussed and agreed. Clerk to seek local printing company. Cllr Gore to send out final version.**

**7. Planning – This should include a brief list of all planning applications to be discussed. Cllrs to briefly outline the application and note any comments regarding the applications:**

### **Planning applications**

- *2022/037/FUL Erection of 8 no dwellings following the demolition of the existing restaurant building China Palace, London Road, South Milford. **No Comments***
- *2022/0405/OUT Outline application with all matters reserved for dwelling in garden of 11 Westfield Lane, South Milford. **Lack of detailed drawings make commenting impossible, SDC should seek more detailed drawings before making any decision.***

### **Applications refused**

- **2021/1447/COU – Ivydene 107 High Street, South Milford**

**8. Finance - To consider and approve forthcoming payments to be made:**

- Sherburn Parish Council – monthly grass-cutting fee
- HAGS re South Milford Memorial Park new adventure play equipment £29,467.78 (net of VAT amount covered by grant) – check this is ready to pay
- Illyria Theatre Ltd for Peter Pan event at the park £801.00 – deposit for this event (net of VAT amount covered by Park Committee)
- Toilet hire for Peter Pan event at the park – Parish Council had agreed to fund this previously

**Proposed Cllr Grogan seconded Cllr Gigg. All agreed.**

**Chair and Clerk signed the accounts for 21/22. The internal auditor Brian Hooper to audit the accounts.**

### **9. Communications and Correspondence**

Various correspondence from residents – Clerk/Chair to summarise and confirm replies have been sent where needed:

- SDC – Planning Committee 6<sup>th</sup> April
- Resident x 2 – re allotments
- SDC – Notice of uncontested Parishes
- SDC – S106 & CIL statements
- NYCC request for grasscutting invoice for 22/23 – Clerk sent invoice to NYCC £561.80
- PKF Littlejohn accounts for 21/22

**Date of next meeting – 17<sup>th</sup> May 2022**

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