



MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF SENELEY GREEN PARISH COUNCIL
HELD ON THURSDAY 10th FEBRUARY 2022
AT THE COMMUNITY HALL, BILLINGE ROAD

Present:

Cllrs

J Pearson, Chairman
Mrs B Ashcroft
Mrs E Murphy
Mrs S Murphy
P Peers
J Stevenson

2021/44 To pass as a true record the Minutes of the meeting of the Council held on Thursday 13th January 2022

Resolved: to pass the above Minutes and for the Chairman to sign them as a true record.

2021/45 To Note Apologies for Absence

S Barton-Ainsworth, B Pilkington, J Stevenson

Resolved: to note the above apologies

2021/46 Public Participation

Among issues raised:

CAZ – a resident reported on their concerns in relation to the Greater Manchester plans. Cllr S Murphy reported she has written to our MP and acknowledged the full and diverse impact including the strain it will put on local businesses. Cllr Pearson commented that this is also the view of Parish Council. Resident further commented he had written to Conor McGinn MP and a reply received to say he is aware of the issues, looking into it, and once he is able, he'll report back – the resident was disappointed with lack of detail. Concerns were also raised relating to availability of Electrical Vehicle points.

A query related to creating a pathway around Birch Grove was received and further comment that to provide exercise space in the open air is a great aid to improving and maintaining mental health. The resident said he had spoken to Sports Development at St Helens and believed local council funding is available. Cllr Pearson said he felt this was a great idea and Parish Council would pursue details.

Rail Station – Cllr S Murphy spoke about the recent local talk of the station closing.

She confirmed the station is not closing. She also spoke about the improvements still needed and that work is going on behind the scenes to achieve this. Cllr Pearson reported that there had been talk of station rationalisation but this strategy had been effectively abandoned.

Buses – Cllr Pearson spoke about the proposed provision of buses by franchising – responsibility devolved to local authorities who can decide on routes and how they are managed. A further query re bus timetables was made.

Resident – Miners' Memorial – update requested but viewpoint expressed that Simms Lane End Open Space is the preferred location and whilst green belt is the reason for planning probably being refused, details about other planning permission being granted in the area was briefly discussed. This was also an Agenda item later in the meeting.

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discussion will appear on the Agenda of a future meeting

2021/47 To Receive Declarations of Interest from Members

Cllr S Murphy declared an interest in the item relating to Greater Manchester Clean Air Zone plan

Resolved: to receive above declaration.

2021/48 Policing of the Area

PC Yvette Beardsworth was in attendance with one of her officers and it was reported to the meeting that crime in the area is really low at the moment. An issue was raised by a resident re a concern that Billinge & Seneley Green areas being reported together and also in relation to Seneley Green comprising of both Downall Green and Garswood. Assurance was given of full police coverage of the area. Cllr S Murphy complimented our local Police Constable and team for their knowledge of the area and people. Mobile speed cameras on Billinge Road were requested.

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2021/49 Chairman, Councillors and Clerk's Updates

All items on the Clerk's update are related to Agenda items

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2021/50 Ward Councillor Update

An update relating to the Rail Station had been reported under Public Participation.

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2021/51 To Note the Decisions of the Planning Committee

No comments have been submitted relating to the following:

APPLICATIONS

P/2022/0030/HHFP Proposal: Two storey side extension. For: 91 Hamilton Road,

P/2021/1059/HHFP 42 Victoria Road Single storey side and single storey rear extension - Granted

DECISIONS

P/2021/1013/HHFP 20 School Lane Extension to existing dropped kerb onto a classified road. Granted

Resolved: to receive and note the above

2021/52 To Pass Accounts for Payment

Please see the schedule in Appendix A below. Members are asked to approve accounts for payment (details given in Clerk's Update).

Resolved:

To pass the accounts in Appendix A for payment totalling £8707.39 includes £102.84 in *S137 payments

2021/53 Code of Conduct

Members had received copies of a the current Code of Conduct and amendments proposed were accepted.

Resolved: to agree the amended Code of Conduct

2021/54 Greater Manchester CAZ (Clean Air Zone)

This topic was also raised under Public Participation which facilitated discussion under this Agenda item. The Greater Manchester Clean Air Plan was under scrutiny at the time of our meeting and it was proposed to monitor the results of this. It was also proposed for the Clerk to take up this lack of response from Conor McGinn on behalf of the resident.

Resolved:

To monitor progress and any changes made to GM Clean Air Plan for any impact to Seneley Green residents

For the Clerk to correspond with Conor McGinn

2021/55 Simms Road Open Space Miners Memorial

Further to comments made under Public Participation, Cllr Pearson reported that Cllr Stevenson had put forward Parish Hall as a possible location.

Resolved:

For the Clerk to liaise with Planning at St Helens over Simms Lane Ends Open Space and a piece of land on Leyland Green Road. If there are issues with pursuing these locations, an application for Parish Hall should be submitted

2021/56 Green Canopy for the Queen's Platinum Jubilee

Members considered a proposal for Parish Council to plant a tree to join the Green Canopy for the Queen's Platinum Jubilee with a plaque
Cllr S Murphy proposed Parish Council purchase a commemorative drinks water bottle for each primary age child.

Resolved:

To purchase and plant a tree with plaque for the Green Canopy

To agree in principal the purchase of a commemorative item for each primary age child.

2021/57 Health & Wellbeing Working Group Update

There had been no meetings of the group but Cllr Peers reported on the Time to Talk event held at the Community. Despite a low turnout, the professionals in attendance had found the session most useful. Thanks were Minuted to Cllr Pilkington and Cllr McDonnell for coming along.

Resolved: *to receive and note above update*

2021/58 Estates Working Group Update

There had been no meetings of the group but the Clerk reported:

Parish Hall: Installation of covering above storage area is imminent

Community Hall: Awaiting quote for replacement LED lighting to main hall. Awaiting quote for replacement water heaters

Feasibility meeting re S&G Juniors proposal for a development centre at the Playing Fields is yet to be arranged

Resolved: *to receive and note above update*

2021/59 Public Transport Working Group Update

Cllr S Murphy and Cllr Pearson had both spoken under Public Participation, giving updates to queries raised about the rail station and buses in the area.

Resolved: *to receive and note above update*

2021/60 Communications Working Group Update

There had been no meetings – website and Facebook documentation continue to be updated.

Resolved: *to receive and note above*

2021/61 Events Working Group

The Clerk reported a meeting to discuss the Jubilee event will be held next week.

Resolved: *to receive and note above*

2021/62 Schools Update

Cllr S Murphy commented again over challenges facing schools and the amazing work of the staff. Cllr Ashcroft supported this comment.

Cllr E Murphy reported Dr Barker, Headteacher of Cansfield High has been coming along to Rock Solid which is proving successful in supporting the children and their eventual transfer to high school. It was propose to Minute thanks to this group of volunteers.

Resolved:

To acknowledge the continuing amazing work going on in our schools

To Minute Parish Council thanks to the Rock Solid volunteers

APPENDIX A

21/159	NwAC - garden/general waste disposal	150.00
21/160	SMART - Dec	160.90
21/161	Garswood Gates (miners cart)	800.00
21/162	E-on - Chgas-Dec	274.50
21/163	E-on - electricity PH-Dec	30.98
21/164	E-on - electricity CH Dec	115.77
21/165	PWLB LOAN repayments	1,604.47
21/166	DMJ UK (external lights as per quote)	2,550.96
21/167	SMART - Jan	149.96
21/168	Balance of donation to Bluebell event returned)	- 125.17
21/169	*CVS - posers for Time to Talk day	19.00
21/170	Clerk - Feb Salary	1,189.13
21/171	Sports Attendant - Feb Salary	430.42
21/172	Caretaker - Feb Salary	582.88
21/173	HMRC - Period 10	192.71
21/174	*Clerk - exp reclaim	156.02
21/175	M&D cleaning/toilet products	163.15
21/176	Blinding Blinds	200.00
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