

SENELEY GREEN PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Meeting held on Thursday 10th June 2021 at 7pm at the Community Hall, Billinge Road

Present:

Clirs J Pearson, Chairman

Mrs B Ashcroft Mrs E Murphy Mrs S Murphy P Peers J Stevenson

2021/20

To pass as a true record the Minutes of the meeting of the Council held on Thursday 20th May 2021 and the Minutes of the Annual Meeting of the Parish Council also held 20th May 2021

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

2021/21 <u>To Note Apologies for Absence</u>

Apologies had been received from Cllrs S Barton and B Pilkington

Resolved: to note the above apologies

2021/22 Public Participation

Among items raised were:

Resident offered congratulations to Cllr S Murphy on her recent appointment as Mayor of St Helens.

Garswood Library: concern was expressed over both Bill inge and Garswood libraries continuing to be closed and the current reasons for this. It was confirmed the libraries consultation was to go live online from 14th June and run until September. Cllr S Murphy commented that Parish Council would publicise online, on noticeboards and in shops/pharmacy/station etc. so residents are aware of this. She also spoke about possible use of Parish Council halls as interim provision.

Local Plan: Cllr S Murphy confirmed she has attended all meetings and will mount a campaign against inappropriate development. She further commented if land is not identified the government will impose areas for development. She stated no application will be supported by councillors without the correct infrastructure: transport, schools, doctors, dentists etc. A query re the second site being support by one of the Ward Councillors was raised: Cllr S Murphy commented that she couldn't speak on behalf of other Councillors. Cllr Pearson respectfully reminded those present that they too are residents of Seneley Green and will fight for the correct infrastructure. Residents further commented on the type of housing in keeping with the area needs consideration. A resident reminded the meeting that it is often the landowners rather than the farmers who sell land.

Transport issues: Cllr Pearson asked for residents to contact him directly re concerns so he can take them to Liverpool City Region Transport Committee meetings. Cllr S Murphy confirmed she had again raised the issue of railway bridge and waiting room, Road Repairs: the Clerk reported the schedule of repairs is awaited from St Helens Council.

for information only: issues raised under this item and any that require further discussion will appear on the Agenda of a future meeting

2021/23 To Receive Declarations of Interest from Members

Cllr S Murphy declared an interest in an item mentioned in Public Participation re School Lane. Cllrs E Murphy and J Pearson declared an interest in the Agenda item re Booths Brow/Leyland Green Road

Resolved: to note the above declarations

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2021/24 Policing of the Area

The following report was received for May: TOMV 5/5/21 Leyland Green rd 31/5/21 Birch Grove. No Burglary dwelling No Theft from motor vehicle. There had been two nuisance calls. Speed watch had been carried out on Leyland Green Road, Cllr S Muphy reported there is a new PCSO and holding surgeries locally had been discussed.

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2021/25 Chairman, Councillors and Clerk's Updates

Among items reported on in Clerk's Update was information re Parish Council's Insurance renewal (3rd June), all other information is included on the Agenda. Cllr S Murphy updated on her efforts to have the fingerpost signage installed for Downall Green

Cllr E Murphy updated on a recent Community Clean Up on Downall Croft. Friends of Seneley Green organised food/drinks for the day. Cllr S Murphy requested the Chairman write a letter of thanks to the group

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2021/26 To Note the Decisions of the Planning Committee

The following had been received for consultation/information. No comments had been submitted re the following:

APPLICATIONS

P/2021/0518/CLP 3 Hollins Close Loft conversion and rear dormer

P/2021/0543/HHFP: Extension to existing dropped kerb. 94 Victoria Road

P/2021/0531/HHFP Two storey side and single storey rear extension with new front porch: 3 Stirling Drive

DECISIONS

P/2021/0339/HHFP

11 Darvel AvenueFirst floor front extension. Granted

OTHER

P/2021/0482/HHFP Billinge And Seneley Green Ward 3 Hollins Close Erection of rear dormer to facilitate a loft conversion with first floor window to the side. **Withdrawn**

Resolved: to note the above

2021/27 To Pass Accounts for Payment

Members are asked to approve accounts for payment totalling £4854.32 and to note there are no S137 payments (see Appendix A)

Resolved: to approve accounts for payment totalling £4854.32 and to note there are no S137 payments

2021/28 Estates Working Party

Cllr Pearson updated on most recent work at Parish Hall and two quotes for flooring had been circulated to Members. It was proposed to order from the contractor with the lowest quote.

Work to the rear of the Parish Hall and Parish Council funding of their public liability insurance for Friends of Seneley Green was briefly discussed.

Resolved:

For the Clerk to order flooring from the contractor with the lowest quote To approve liaising with FOSG re the work to the rear of the hall and funding for their insurance

2021/29 Events Working Group

Cllr S Murphy proposed and Open Day for the Parish Hall once is it complete. She also proposed a volunteer event as soon as this is possible.

Resolved: for Events Working Group to undertake planning for the Open Day and Parish Hall once national restrictions are lifted

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2021/30 Public Transport Working Group

Cllr Pearson referred to issues raised during Public Participation and requested for residents to email him in his capacity as a St Helens Councillor and he will take these to Liverpool City Region Transport Committee meetings.

Resolved: to receive and note above information

2021/31 Health & Wellbeing Working Group

There was no update from this group.

Resolved: to note above

2021/32 COVID19 Update

Cllr S Murphy reported the testing station for those with symptoms at Haydock Park Racecourse is due to close on 21 June and spoke of her concern re which location residents of Seneley Green would be faced with using and proposed the Clerk write to ~~CCG at St Helens Council in relation to this. She also reminded that free tests are available from pharmacies for those without symptoms.

Resolved:

for the Clerk to write to CCG at St Helens Council re the above issue to receive and note other information above

2021/33 Schools Update

There was no update re the schools

2021/34 Communications Working Party Update

A newsletter is planned for circulation in early July. **Resolved:** to receive and note above information

2021/35 Lamp Post Poppies

The purchase of additional poppies for this year was discussed and it was proposed to order 70 .

Resolved:

For the Clerk to order a further 70 poppies

2021/36 Booths Brow/Leyland Green Road-Road Safety issues

The Clerk updated on information from Merseyside Police and St Helens Council re possible resident involvement in Merseyside's Safer Roads Watch scheme. Cllr S Murphy expressed concern re residents monitoring speeding traffic to collect data to support requests for traffic signs/traffic calming and requested the Clerk write to Merseyside Police to ask what protection is given to residents against any threat of retribution from those receiving warning letters/fines.

Resolved: for the Clerk to write to Merseyside Police re protection for residents

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APPENDIX A - Schedule of Accounts for Payments

21/41	CVS	14.00
21/42	Chris Yates	60.00
21/43	Waterplus-CH	247.63
21/44	Waterplus-PH	247.63
21/45	Rex (emergency lighting annual service)	56.73
21.46	Clerk (June Salary)	1179.73
21/47	Caretaker PH&CH - June Salary	543.46
21/48	Mitchells (drains jetting CH)	72.00
21/49	Zurich Municipal (insurance)	2078.66
21/50	E-on (PH electricity)	44.25
21/51	Crown PH gas	31.21
21/52	HMRC (2020/21)	228.87
21/53	M&D Allyn	50.15