

MINUTES OF SHERFIELD ENGLISH PARISH COUNCIL ORDINARY MEETING
Held on Wednesday 16th September 2020 at 7.30pm via Zoom.

PRESENT: Cllrs Leigh (in chair), Cook, J Noble, R Noble, S Dovey, Griffiths, and J Billett. Also, in attendance was Clerk to the council, Sue Holder and Cllr Nick Adams King.

21/021 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE: None

21/022 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST: None

21/023 PARISHONERS COMMENTS: None

21/024 MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING: The minutes of the meeting of the 29th July had been previously sent to all Councillors, were agreed to be an accurate record, and will be signed by the chairman.

21/025 MATTERS ARISING FROM THE PREVIOUS MEETING: None

21/026 BOROUGH COUNCILLOR REPORT: Cllr Nick Adams King gave the following report:

- It was reported that The Hundred in Romsey is still closed as a measure to help control the spread of Coronavirus, however there is some opposition to the closure which may result in The Hundred remaining open between 5pm and 9am.
- The plan for the development south of Romsey town centre has been approved.
- A planning application on the parish border of Sherfield English with Awbridge for 2 properties in woodland has been withdrawn.
- No decision to report on the planning application 20/01316/FULLS Land at Ashlett Farm. Cllr Griffiths reported at this meeting concern that a generator on site was producing diesel smoke to a level he considered to be an environmental issue. Cllr Nick Adams King agreed to report the concern to the Environment Agency.
- SERP have been awarded a business support grant (COVID-19) for £10,000.

21/027 NEIGHBOURHOOD DEVELOPMENT PLAN

Cllr Griffiths reported that Cllrs J Noble, Griffiths and John Hartley had met with Sharon Brentnall of Bluestone Planning via Zoom, and appointed Sharon to prepare a submission of the Neighbourhood Development Plan. A target date of October 2021 was agreed, with a proposed completion date of February 2022. Grant funding was discussed, and Cllr J Noble has been appointed the financial representative for the parish council.

21/028 PLANNING

Applications for discussion at this meeting

20/02109/FULLS Oak Lodge, Danes Road

Erection of a two-story side extension incorporating a two-bay garage with storage space above and extension to the master bedroom; single storey rear extension to form lounge and sunroom.

The parish council resolved not to objection to this application.

20/02123/FULLS Oakwood Farm

Installation of sewage treatment plant (Amended location)

The parish council resolved not to object to this application.

Applications discussed at the meeting on the 2/9/20:

20/01951/FULLS Hillview Newtown Road

Erect new hay barn, enclosed on three sides
PC No comment

20/01939/FULLS Yew Tree Cottage Doctors Hill

Two storey side extension, to provide additional living space and accommodation, and erection of a replacement garage

PC have no objection to the extension in principle but would expect it to be in keeping with the existing property. Would also suggest both the size and location of the proposed garage is not appropriate and that it may be better placed at right angles to the existing hedge line.

20/01957/VARS The Orchard Doctors Hill

To vary condition 2 (approved plans) and condition 3 (external materials) of 20/01041/FULLS (Replacement detached dwelling and garage with annex and link, following demolition of existing dwelling) to allow for change in window and dormer colour
PC No comment

20/01953/TPOS The Old Quarry Doctors Hill

Larch (T9) Fell Oak (T2) Cut back 2 branches overhanging road
PC No objection

20/01684/TPON Land East To Post Hill Farm Salisbury Road

T1 - Oak - Removal of 2 limbs and 1 dead branch
PC No objection

Decisions received from Test Valley Borough Council:

20/01501/FULLS Cedar Lodge – Permission

20/01439/FULLS Ashlett Farm – Withdrawn

20/01377/FULLS The Firs – Permission

20/01316/FULLS Land at Ashlett Farm – Recommended for committee

20/029 LENGTHSMAN AND FOOTPATHS

Cllr J Noble reported that tasks assigned to the Lengthsman for September and October would include clearing the roadside grips in preparation for winter and to continue clearing the footpath opposite The Hatchet Pub, which will include clearing around the bus shelter. It was agreed that the structure of the bus shelter needs surveying to establish if maintenance is required, and Cllr Griffiths will undertake that. The Grips outside of Pound Farm were reported to be prone to flooding, but due to gas and phone lines here it may not be safe for the Lengthsman.

Cllr Billett reported that parishioners had mentioned broken stiles to him, and further details will be obtained. Noted that stiles are the responsibility of the landowners.

20/030 MILL LANE MEADOWS

The parish council resolved to name the Suitable Alternative Natural Green Space (SANG) in Sherfield English as Mill Lane Meadows.

20/031 HIGHWAYS

The clerk was asked to report the poor condition of the A27 from the Old Post Office towards Whiteparish again to Hampshire Highways, as it was reported to be deteriorating further and particularly dangerous to motorbike users. (21517302)

20/032 CORRESPONDANCE

- Cllr Perry – HCC September report; noted
- Test Valley – Parish profile; noted that some inaccuracies in the profile had been reported.
- HALC – reform of planning system; noted.
- Energise Me - Funded Physical Activity Opportunity for Young People; Cllr Leigh to respond.

20/033 REPRESENTATIVE REPORTS

FOOTPATHS: Nothing to report

SERP: Cllr Dovey reported that both men and children's football has started again on a Saturday. He confirmed receipt of the small business grant and thanked the Campsite for their monthly financial contribution towards the maintenance of the children's play area.

SEDCA: Cllr Griffiths reported that the October edition of the SEDCA would be available in print again containing 6 months of key village events. It was noted that there is the option to receive an electronic version of the publication, although poor broadband speeds sometimes affect how efficient this is.

CHURCH: Cllr J Noble reported that numbers would be restricted at the Remembrance Service this year due to the pandemic however members of the parish council will still be present.

VILLAGE HALL: It was reported that the village hall has a regular weekly user again now. Concern was raised about the insurance of the hall whilst not in use, however that is no longer an issue.

20/034 FINANCE

- It was reported that the parish council accounts are currently with the external auditor.
- The bank balance was reported to be £21642.22 (Charges still being made)
- The clerks pay rise is to be confirmed once the new pay scales are published.
- Payments:

Fair Account (int audit)	£480.00	#56
VH Insurance	£1497.26	#57
PCC (tree)	£770.00	#58
GeoXphere (mapping)	£90.00	#59
Clerk (June - Sept)	£560.18	#60

There being no further business, the chairman closed the meeting at 8.24pm.

Date of next meeting: 14th October 2020.

