

# South Croxton Parish Council

## Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on Monday 4<sup>th</sup> October 2021 at 6.00 pm in the Village Hall

The meeting was held in the Village hall and attendance was in compliance with the latest Covid guidance.

Councillors present: Cllr Dave Morris (Chairman), Cllr Elizabeth Norton, Cllr Dan Fry, Cllr Brenda Seaton

Members of the Public: One

In attendance: Clerk – Mr SC Johnson

### **SC 128 21** Welcome

Cllr Morris opened the meeting and welcomed all present.

**SC 129 21** Apologies for Absence: Cllr Stephen Goodger (via email), Cllr Newby (emergency)

### **SC 130 21** Disclosure of Interests and Dispensation by Councillors for this meeting

No interests or dispensations were declared at the start of or during the meeting.

### **SC 131 21** Approve by resolution and sign Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on 6<sup>th</sup> September 21

The minutes, circulated before this meeting, were approved by resolution – proposed by Cllr Morris, seconded by Cllr Norton, no objections. The minutes were signed by the Chair Cllr Morris. Clerk to add the minutes to the website and file the copy.

### **SC 132 21** Borough Councillors Report

No Report produced.

### **SC 133 21** Matters Arising from minutes on 6<sup>th</sup> September 2021

#### SC 116 21

3 of 4 previous issues raised at the last meeting have, at the time of writing, not progressed. Thus we are no further forward on the Travellers site, the field shelters, or the Kings Lane footpath.

#### SC 118 21

Financial matters - use of the original spend estimates for our forecasting continue for this month. A proposal has been submitted to Council revising the spend calculations for the remaining 5 months of the financial year and when approved this will be incorporated into the figures presented at meetings.

#### SC 122 21

Playing field – the equipment and grounds have been inspected and a quotation for remedial works will be submitted before the next meeting. The work includes rectification of ground slippage using post crete, strengthening sections of rotted wood, and repairs to picnic table. All the requirements of the most recent inspection by Rospa Play Safety will also be incorporated into the work.

### **SC 134 21** Planning Matters

P/21/1331/2 32 Main Street Single Storey 1<sup>st</sup> Floor side extension. Status is Granted Conditionally.

P/21/1435/2 5 Home Close – detached Garage. Comments to 16/08/21. Status is Registered.

P/21/1734/2 48 Main Street - Proposed front porch to dwelling.

P/21/1709/2 Golden Fleece 77 Main Street -Conversion of part of existing restaurant and dwellings to form 2 x 2storey dwellings and 2 x 2 flats and associated works.

Confirmed:

Chairman

Date:

Two other applications were mentioned at the meeting as follows:

P/21/1949/2 Proposed change of use to equestrian tracked livery facility including menage and other associated buildings and temporary mobile home Kings Lane – However the application is invalid and does not appear yet on the website or through normal planning announcements. When the application is formally issued Cllrs have indicated a number of concerns about this proposal.

P/21/2154/2 Proposed change of use of land to livery business with associated equestrian buildings including shelter (retrospective), 2 No stables (retrospective) and hay store (retrospective) as well as 3 No stables and backroom and temporary siting of tourer caravan to provide toilet facility and storage container. This application is online only at the moment.

Clerk to notify details to Cllrs when for these 2 applications when available from the Planning Department. With regard to P/21/1709/2, Golden Fleece, the previous application approved was P/17/2422/2 which has a number of differences to the current application. However, Councillors have no objections to the revised plan.

An update of activity on the Travellers site from the Planning Department was read to the meeting. Cllrs have grave concerns about the height of the land toward the rear of the site and the incursion onto the public footpath. Cllrs also suggest that it would be appropriate to inform the Environmental Health and Environmental Agency to check site in its present state.

#### **SC 135 21 Financial Matters**

\*The Bank Balances for the Current and Business Reserve Accounts below were confirmed against the Bank Statements by Cllr Morris.

#### **FINANCIAL POSITION STATEMENT FOR MEETING ON 4<sup>TH</sup> OCTOBER 2021**

##### a) Bank Accounts and Reserves

<b><u>Current Account Balance 03/09</u></b>	£	<b>4848.67</b>
Estimated Income to year end	£	6047.14 (inc.vat)
Total	£	10895.81
Estimated spend to year end	£	7442.26
Uncleared Cheques	£	1341.03
Balance	£	2112.52
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<b><u>Reserve Account Balance 03/09</u></b>	£	<b>15923.09</b>
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##### b) Cheques to be approved at this meeting

CLERKS WAGES (SEP)	£	229.47
HMRC (SEP 2021)	£	57.40
Clerk Expenses	£	21.59
Grass Cutting (9 <sup>th</sup> ,16 <sup>th</sup> ,30 <sup>th</sup> Aug,13 <sup>th</sup> Sep Plus Hedge trimming)	£	400.00
VH Rent (SEPT)	£	55.00
Payroll	£	54.00
TOTAL	£	<b>817.46</b>

An Additional late invoice was been added after the issue of the agenda.

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\*Forms for new Bank signatories was tabled at the meeting (3 Councillors to be added and 1 removed from the authorised signatures. Clerk to confirm authorisations with the bank prior to the November meeting.

\*The Revised Accounts page has been updated and is attached to these minutes.

**SC 136 21 Financial Plan – Mid Year Assessment**

The revisions to spending forecast to the end of the year will take effect from the November meeting.

**SC 137 21 Update in Kings Lane Footpath**

Negotiations are still ongoing and involve the main problem for the Parish which is the recently installed stile preventing access to the public footpath for many parishioners. The issue is being investigated by LCC and will take some time to resolve .

**SC 138 21 Members Highway Fund Update**

Proposals from Councillors for traffic calming measures were submitted to Highways for consideration and guidance. A response from County Council is awaited.

**SC 139 21 Play a Part update**

The resulting decision about the second bid for National Lottery Funding to fund this project is awaited.

**SC 140 21 Playing Field – Maintenance**

Council have approved the quotation to ensure the existing equipment and ground is in good repair. This will be in accord with the most recent ROSPA Play Report, plus items requiring attention noticed during an additional inspection carried out in the last week.

**SC 141 21 Clerks Report**

A police report had been sent for this meeting indicating that there have been no crimes in the last month in the South Croxton area.

The Members Highways fund application has been signed and submitted to LCC to register for any transactions in the future relating to traffic improvements. Council have submitted a traffic calming proposal for guidance and approval by Highways to be funded though the Members Highway Fund.

**SC 142 21 Flooding**

It was noted that the Drain at the bottom of the village was again blocked. Pictures of the drains will be sent to Highways requesting cleaning, and periodic checks by them especially during the winter period.

**SC 143 21 Correspondence Received**

Email information has been distributed as appropriate since the last meeting.

**SC 144 21 Opportunity for Members of the Public to speak (Limited to 3 minutes)**

The Member of the public in attendance at this meeting raised the following matters requiring attention:

Road Signs need cleaning -

Sign at Junction of 3 Turns Lane/South Croxton Road has been felled. (Reported 30/07/21 – No. 840254) -

Road Lining in the Village needs renewing -

Hedges need trimming -

Poor reception for telecommunications –

It is envisaged that some of the above items will be resolved through provision of the Member Highways Fund and/or action by Highways.

It was also noted that the Village Hall wish to have a Bonfire on the corner of the Playing Field. No fireworks are permitted. Parish Council agreed to this initiative.

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Clr Seaton also suggested that a litter picking event should be organised in the village, especially along the Beeby Road.

**SC 145 21** Date of next meeting

1<sup>st</sup> November 2021 at 6pm in the Village Hall at South Croxton.

Items for inclusion in future agenda

Play a Part project, Kings Lane Footpath, Travellers Site

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Meeting closed at 7.35pm

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