

# South Croxton Parish Council

## Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on Monday 6<sup>th</sup> September 2021 at 6.00 pm in the Village Hall

The meeting was held in the Village hall and proceedings were in compliance with the latest Government 'Safer Working Places' guidance.

Councillors present: Cllr Dave Morris (Chairman), Cllr Stephen Goodger Cllr Vicki Newby, Cllr Dan Fry, Cllr Brenda Seaton, Cllr Daniel Grimley

Members of the Public: 6

In attendance: Clerk – Mr SC Johnson

### **SC 111 21** Welcome

Cllr Morris opened the meeting and welcomed all present.

**SC 112 21** Apologies for Absence: Cllr Elizabeth Norton (via email)

### **SC 113 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 114 21** Approve by resolution and sign Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on 26<sup>th</sup> July 2021

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

### **SC 115 21** Borough Councillors Report

Report attached at the end of these minutes.

### **SC 116 21** Matters Arising from minutes on 26<sup>th</sup> July 2021

#### SC 100 21 Planning Matters

Planning Department has indicated that Formal Action is being taken - email dated 20/08. (See additional update at item 9 of Agenda), Travellers Site.

Field Shelters – Planning Application is to be submitted for the shelters in a field on 3 Turns Lane as a matter of urgency – see email from Planning Enforcement dated 19/08.

#### SC 104 21 Kings Lane Foot Path

Negotiations ongoing – County Councillor informed.

#### SC 108 21 Other matters

Grass verges have now been cut – not done on previous visit due to need for traffic control to reduce risk to operators.

### **SC 117 21** Planning Matters

P/21/1331/2 32 Main Street Single Storey 1<sup>st</sup> Floor side extension. Status is Registered as previously – Comments until 3<sup>rd</sup> September 2021

Travellers site

Following the notification from Planning via email on 20/08 a further update has been circulated to Councillors on 2<sup>nd</sup> September 2021. This is to be discussed at the meeting.

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**SC 118 21 Financial Matters**

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

**FINANCIAL POSITION STATEMENT FOR MEETING ON 6<sup>TH</sup> SEPTEMBER 2021**

a) Bank Accounts and Reserves

<b><u>Current Account Balance 05/08</u></b>	£	<b>5220.67</b>
Estimated Income to year end	£	6030.16 (inc.vat)
Total	£	11250.83
Estimated spend to year end	£	8109.12
Uncleared Cheques	£	0.00
Balance	£	3141.71
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<b><u>Reserve Account Balance 05/08</u></b>	£	<b>15922.95</b>
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b) Cheques to be approved at this meeting

CLERKS WAGES (AUG)	£	229.47
HMRC (AUG 2021)	£	57.40
ANTI VIRUS (REFUND TO CLERK)	£	64.99
KIOSK PARTS KIT (REFUND TO CLERK)	£	46.32
Grass Cutting 26/05 & 14/06	£	160.00
VH Rent (SEPT)	£	55.00
ICO DATA PROTECTION	£	40.00
RURAL COMMUNITY COUNCIL	£	60.00
KIOSK REFURBISH	£	627.85
TOTAL	£	<b>1341.03</b>

\*Forms for new Bank signatories were again circulated at the meeting as required (3 Councillors), these to be completed by the individual Councillors on new forms provided. Clerk to confirm authorisations with the bank prior to the October meeting.

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

\*Councillors proposal that a review of finances be carried out at the July meeting, to determine the remaining expenditure for the financial year with a view to transferring any excess amount to the Reserve Account, were considered again at this meeting. It is intended that consideration be given to spending on community projects including renewal of football nets on the existing playing field and carrying out an inspection to ensure all equipment is serviceable. Clerk also to request ideas from the community via the Parish Council website for ideas in addition to proposals for more lighting and mirrors on difficult junction exits like Kings Lane, Home Close.

**SC 119 21 Update in Kings Lane Footpath**

Following a request for update information from 'Leicestershire County Council Safe and sustainable Travel Team' they advise that negotiations are ongoing. Re-routing of the footpath has been mooted. Clerk to respond on behalf of Parish Council to LCC rejecting any change to the route of the footpath at the Kings

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Lane end and stating that proposals to move the path are a separate issue from our request for a kissing gate to replace the recently installed stile which prevents access to many parishioners. County Councillor to be updated with current situation.

**SC 120 21 Jiffy Hedge Trimming**

Following discussion it was decided to monitor the situation over time to ensure that property owners fulfil their duty to keep their section of the hedge trimmed.

**SC 121 21 Play a Part update**

A second bid for a grant to fund this project is being structured for application to the National Lottery Funding. Clerk has provided information to LCC toward this application.

**SC 122 21 Playing Field – Maintenance**

Council approved spend to ensure the existing equipment is in good repair in accord with the most recent report, plus an additional inspection now. A quotation will be circulated to Councillors before proceeding.

**SC 123 21 Clerks Report**

A police report had been sent for this meeting requesting that any sightings which may indicate hare coursing be reported to the police on 101.

The Members Highways fund application has been signed and submitted to LCC to register for any transactions in the future relating to traffic improvements.

**SC 124 21 Correspondence Received**

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

**SC 125 21 Opportunity for Members of the Public to speak (Limited to 3 minutes)**

There were 6 members of the public present who raised the issue of limited access to the public footpath at the top of Kings Lane. The information provided in answer to this issue is contained in Agenda item 9 above.

**SC 126 21 Items for inclusion in future agenda**

Play a Part project, Kings Lane Footpath, Travellers Site, Financial Plan revision, Flooding.

**SC 127 21 Date of next meeting**

4<sup>th</sup> October 2021 at 6pm in the Village Hall at South Croxton

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Meeting closed at 7.20pm

REVISED LAYOUT OF ACCOUNTS FOR 6TH September 2021 Meeting

CATEGORIES	PRECEPT	SPEND TO DATE	ESTIMATE SPEND TO YR END	TOTAL YR END	-USPND OVER SPEND
PAYROLL SERVICE	216.00	108.00	108.00	216.00	0.00
OFFICE EXPENSES	375.00	38.92	336.08	375.00	0.00
SOLR FEES	808.00	0.00	808.00	808.00	0.00
WEBSITE	375.00	372.00	3.00	375.00	0.00
CLERKS SALARY	1787.00	1147.55	639.45	1787.00	0.00
INSURANCE	338.00	335.84	0.00	335.84	-2.16
PLAYING FIELD INSP/MAINT	350.00	0.00	350.00	350.00	0.00

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PLAYING FIELD MOW/STRIM	1200.00	480.00	720.00	1200.00	0.00
SUBSCRIPTIONS	265.00	163.17	101.83	265.00	0.00
STREET LIGHTING	650.00	544.60	105.40	650.00	0.00
VH RENT	550.00	165.00	385.00	550.00	0.00
CCF	2615.00	0.00	2615.00	2615.00	0.00
AUDIT FEES	180.00	0.00	180.00	180.00	0.00
HMRC	447.00	286.80	160.20	447.00	0.00
TRAINING BUDGET	150.00	0.00	150.00	150.00	0.00
RESERVE A/C	500.00	0.00	500.00	500.00	0.00
DEV A/C	945.00	0.00	945.00	945.00	0.00

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TOTALS	11751.00	3641.88	8106.96	11748.84	-2.16
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**Notes From the Borough Council. Councillor Daniel Grimley, Queniborough Ward** Welcome to my round up of news from Charnwood.

Since the last Parish Council Meeting in South Croxton restrictions nationally have been lifted but I would urge all residents to follow the good practices that were previously put in place where possible as Covid cases are on the increase. I continue to wear a face covering in supermarkets and shops, use hand sanitiser on entry and, take regular lateral flow tests. At Charnwood all committee meetings continue to follow these measures.

**Outline Application for the erection of up to 270 dwellings Land off Melton Road East Goscote Leicestershire Application Ref. P/20/2383/2**

This application was heard by Planning Committee at Charnwood on 27<sup>th</sup> August and was approved by 6 votes to 4. I was unable to take part as I had previously voiced strong opposition to these plans. I am disappointed to see further large housing development being approved in our villages. I will continue to voice opposition to such proposals.

Although the application is outside the limits of development for East Goscote the site is contained within the draft local plan. Limited weight is given to the draft local plan but significant weight was given to Charnwood's Core Strategy being out of date and as a consequence the borough cannot demonstrate a 5 year housing supply.

**New boundaries are being proposed for council wards in Charnwood Borough Council.** The Local Government Boundary Commission wants to hear what residents and local organisations think about the proposals. A 10-week consultation on the proposals will run until 08 November 2021.

Locally a new 2 seat ward is proposed to include Thurmaston East, Barkby, Barkby Thorpe, Beeby, Hamilton Lea, and, South Croxton.

The Commission has a dedicated section on its website where people can see the detail of the proposals and comment on the names of wards and their boundaries.

People can also give their views by e-mail at [reviews@lgbce.org.uk](mailto:reviews@lgbce.org.uk), and by post:  
Review Officer (Charnwood)

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