

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF SOUTHAM TOWN COUNCIL HELD AT THE GRANGE HALL, COVENTRY ROAD, SOUTHAM ON THURSDAY, 27th JANUARY 2022.

Present: The Mayor, Councillor G Foster - In the Chair
Councillors A John, M Ray, K Mullen, A Walster, M Connors, K Medgett, K Toner, N Savage, C Lambert and L Ellard

Apologies: Cllr A Jamieson – Work
Cllr A Crump – Personal
Cllr C Worsh – Resigned with immediate effect

Absent without Apologies:
Cllr T Bromwich

In Attendance: Mrs D Carro and Mrs K Fisher

138. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Cllr K Mullen	Non-Pecuniary Reason	Planning Application 21/03894/FUL Neighbour
	Non-Pecuniary Reason	Planning Application 22/00068/FUL Neighbour
Cllr G Foster	Non-Pecuniary Reason	Planning Application 21/03894/FUL Neighbour
	Non-Pecuniary Reason	Planning Application 22/00068/FUL Neighbour
	Non-Pecuniary Reason	Planning Application 20/02365/FUL Landowner Trustee
Cllr A John	Non-Pecuniary Reason	Planning Application 20/02365/FUL Landowner Trustee

139 APOLOGIES

RESOLVED:

Apologies accepted.

140. REPRESENTATIONS FROM THE PUBLIC

Resident – Mr Morgan

Spoke regarding the planning application appeal for 21/01319/FUL, stating that he feels SDC are not listening to him in order to resolve it

141. MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING

RESOLVED:

i) That the Minutes of the meeting held on Thursday, 13th January 2022, having previously been circulated, be confirmed, and signed by the Town Mayor

141. ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT

i) Invoices were sent to members with their meeting papers.

RESOLVED:

That the payment of accounts dated January 2022, totalling £6853.02 (details attached) be authorised. Cllr G Foster and Cllr L Ellard to authorise payments.

142. APPLICATIONS FOR PLANNING PERMISSION

142.1 i) Council considered the applications for planning permission detailed on the schedule dated January 2022 upon which the Town Council had been consulted by Stratford District Council

ii) Planning Application decisions

None to consider

143. TOWN CLERK'S REPORT

143.1 PUBLIC REPRESENTATIONS

The resident was advised that if the Environment Agency withdraw their objection, then the council would also be happy to withdraw their objection

143.2 WARWICKSHIRE BUS TRAVEL CONSULTATION

Members considered the consultation.

RESOLVED:

To respond to the consultation stating that under 'Better Integration' There should be better integration between neighbouring towns and counties

143.3 ROUNDBOUT PROPOSALS

Members considered the proposals put forward by Limebridge Rural Services Ltd for the future maintenance of the roundabouts.

RESOLVED:

i) To respond to Limebridge Rural Services Ltd stating that the Town Council are in support of the proposals and would like some quotations in order to consider it further

ii) That any proposed planting should be put to Southam in Bloom for their comments

143.4 VIRTUAL AND HYBRID MEETINGS

Members considered correspondence from WALC encouraging Town/Parish Councils to write to their MP and the Government Minister for Levelling Up Communities to highlight their support for legalising of virtual and hybrid council meetings

RESOLVED:

That Cllr Foster will draw up a suitable worded letter to send

143.5 COUNCIL MEETING DATES

Noted

144. **CORRESPONDENCE**

144.1 **i) 20 is Plenty Campaign**

RESOLVED:

That the Town Council is in support of the '20 is Plenty Campaign' and that it should be considered at the next ENV to identify streets in Southam where the council feels a 20-mph limit would be appropriate, before writing to WCC

ii) Civic Ideas Forum – Oxford Street Parking

Members considered correspondence asking the council to write to the car park company controlling The Original Factory Shop Car Park asking if residents who live along Oxford Street could pay for a permit to park there

RESOLVED:

To respond stating that this is a civil matter between the residents and the The Original Factory Shop

iii) SDC – Ecargo Bike Loan

Members considered correspondence from SDC regarding bringing a roadshow to Southam to promote the use of ecargo bikes for businesses to use for their deliveries

RESOLVED:

To respond stating that the Town Council are in support

iv) Southam in Bloom – Additional Planter

Members consider correspondence from Southam in Bloom seeking support from the Council to put an additional planter in Wattons Lane at the start of the Holy Well Walk

RESOLVED:

That the Town Council support the idea of a planter in this location and will accept liability for it, subject to confirmation that the residents in the vicinity are in support of its location and will look after it.

v) Resident – Platinum Jubilee Street Party Grants

Members considered correspondence from a resident asking how they apply for a grant to hold a street party.

RESOLVED:

i) To respond stating that the Town Council are in support of residents holding street parties, however grants are only applicable for organisations to apply and not individual residents.

ii) That the Town Council are currently investigating the possibility of providing residents with a street party pack subject to a road closure being authorised by Stratford District Council

iii) To obtain a formal response from SDC regarding the liabilities on a resident for closing their street

vi) Residents – Streetlights on all night

Members considered correspondence from a resident asking why the streetlights are on all night

RESOLVED:

To respond stating that the streetlighting under the ownership of WCC is currently turned off at midnight except at junctions. The streetlights under the ownership of the Town Council are currently on all night and unfortunately are so old they do

not have a mechanism to alter the times, however these lights are slowly being adopted by WCC and as and when they are they will be switched off

145. REPORTS FROM WORKING PARTIES

145.1 Southam Flying Fields Committee Minutes – 15/12/21

Noted

145.2 Grange Hall Management Committee Minutes – 29/11/21

Noted

145.3 INDOOR MARKET

Members were advised that the indoor market has been going well, that it has been agreed to hold 6 more markets, but if it is to continue after that more volunteers are needed. To ascertain from the Youth Council if they would like to get involved.

145.4 SOUTHAM FIRST

Members were advised that the plan is

146. INFORMATION FROM COUNTY AND DISTRICT COUNCILLORS

Not in attendance but Cllr Crump does email out weekly reports

147. EXCLUSION OF THE PUBLIC FROM THE MEETING

It was moved and

RESOLVED:

that pursuant to Section 1(2) of the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960 the public be excluded from the meeting because publicity would be prejudicial to the public interest by reason of the confidential nature of the business to be transacted

148. STAFF SALARIES AND PAYMENT FOR SERVICES

RESOLVED:

i) To authorise the payment of staff salaries dated January 2022.

149. SDC – THE GRANGE HALL

RESOLVED:

To respond advising that the Town Council reject their offer and that the Town Council's original offer dated 28th May 2021 is still on the table

150. SDC – John Careford

RESOLVED:

To respond asking for a plan edged red showing the land in question

151. WCC PENSION

Noted

The Meeting closed at 8.50 pm

ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENTS

Southam Town Council Financial Year 2021-2022

Accounts Payable January 2022

Voucher No	Budget Line	Payee	Details	Bank	Gross Amount	VAT (to be reclaimed)	Net Amount
171	ER (47)	P Owen	Volunteer Driver Reimbursement	Unity	£25.20	0.00	£25.20
172	ER (47)	G White	Volunteer Driver Reimbursement	Unity	£171.35	0.00	£171.35
173	ER (47)	T Lyson - Marshall	Volunteer Driver Reimbursement	Unity	£29.30	0.00	£29.30
174	ER (47)	M Houston	Volunteer Driver Reimbursement	Unity	£27.45	0.00	£27.45
175	ER (47)	L Commander	Volunteer Driver Reimbursement	Unity	£34.65	0.00	£34.65
176	ER (47)	C McCarthy	Volunteer Driver Reimbursement	Unity	£58.95	0.00	£58.95
177	ER (47)	A Harris	Volunteer Driver Reimbursement	Unity	£30.00	0.00	£30.00
178	44	E.ON	Electricity for street lights 01/12/21-31/12/21	Unity	£699.58	116.60	£582.98
179	6, ER (47)	British Telecommunication	GP 00277011 Bundle services - 01-01-22 - 31-01-22	Unity	£165.54	27.59	£137.95
180	12	Inside IT	Office 365 , Cllr emails, Trend Micro, Offsite Back Up , Monthly Support tickets.	Unity	£599.66	99.94	£499.72
181	39, ER	Mr R Carro	Maintenance Contract January	Unity	£688.46	0.00	£688.46
182	32	Warwickshire County Council	Legal Services November - All relates to Southam Flying Fields Community Hall	Unity	£713.20	118.87	£594.33
183	48	Mrs D Carro	Request from Jackie Grey - supplies of custard and dairy milk bars for Luncheon Club.	Unity	£127.12	10.00	£117.12
184	45	Warwickshire County Council	Street lighting private works - Ash Grove to Heather Close, Southam - column replacement.	Unity	£1,596.00	266.00	£1,330.00
185	37	ESPO	Bin bags	Unity	£25.56	4.26	£21.30
186	37	The Play Inspection Company Ltd	Annual Inspections x7	Unity	£415.80	69.30	£346.50
187	32	Warwickshire County Council	Various building searches for Southam Flying Fields Community Hall - file reference MR/S52483	Unity	£900.00	0.00	£900.00

Total Payments **£6,307.82 £712.56 £5,595.26**

Voucher No	Budget Line	Payee	Details	Bank	Gross Amount	VAT (to be reclaimed)	Net Amount
DD2	32	E.ON	1/12/2021 Southam Flying Fields Community Hall Fixed Business Electricity Plan	Unity	£80.00	£0.00	£80.00
DD3	32	British Gas	21/12/2021 Southam Flying Fields Community Hall	Unity	£223.50	£0.00	£223.50
DD4	32	E.ON	1/01/2022 Southam Flying Fields Community Hall Fixed Business Electricity Plan	Unity	£80.00	£0.00	£80.00
DD5	32	British Gas	18/01/2022 Southam Flying Fields Community Hall	Unity	£161.70	£0.00	£161.70

Total DD **£545.20 £0.00 £545.20**

Payments and DD's Total **£6,853.02 £712.56 £6,140.46**

Town Clerk

Councillors

Planning Applications

HS2OCW/00030/21	HS2	HS2, Southam	Schedule 17: Leamington Road Embankment; River Itchen Viaduct; Mill Pond Embankment; Southam Cutting; Southam Embankment; Ladbroke Cutting (Part of); B4451 Kineton Road Overbridge; A423 Banbury Road Overbridge; 5 No. Culverts: Southam Culvert and 4 No. Floodplain Culverts; Earthworks associated with the reinstatement of the A423 Banbury Road and B4451 Kineton Road over the HS2 line; Earthworks associated with the 4 No. new access tracks and an access (track) route realignment to The Field House; River Itchen Watercourse Diversion; 6 No. Drainage Ponds; Drainage ditches; Location of the Vehicle Restraint Barriers and the location of the permanent (security) fencing.	27/01/2022: Southam Town Council proposes no representation, but wishes to express their disappointment that the Galanos Receptor is not captured as part of this study. Concern has been raised by residents regarding the Noise Demonstration Report not including all properties in the affected area due to this report being published in 2013. A representative is invited to the next ENV meeting to gain some greater clarity.
21/01319/FUL	Mr Dennis Moreby	12A Stowe Drive, Southam, CV47 1NY	FOR INFO - APPEAL: As this appeal is proceeding under the Householder Appeals Service, there is no opportunity for you to submit further comments. We will however forward copies of all representations made to us in relation to the application, before it was determined, on to the Planning Inspectorate and the appellant. The Inspector appointed by the Secretary of State will consider these representations when determining the appeal. You have a right to withdraw any representations you made so that they are not taken into consideration by the Inspector. If you wish to do so you should make this request to the Planning Inspectorate at https://acp.planninginspectorate.gov.uk within 4 weeks of the appeal's starting date (13 January 2022). Construct deck and shed base with steps to access river bank.	27/01/2022: STC's objection remains. Should the Environment Agency withdraw their objection, STC will move to withdraw their objection also.
21/03894/FUL	Mr And Mrs Buckland	63 Welsh Road West, Southam, CV47 0JW	Alterations and extension to existing domestic dwelling to form improved bedroom, living and sanitary accommodation.	31/01/2022: Further to correspondence received from the planning officer on Monday 31/10/22. STC objects to this application because the parking arrangements don't conform with the SPD. STC will withdraw this objection should the parking arrangements change.
21/03287/FUL	Mr Stephen Cherry	17 Orchard Way, Southam, CV47 1EG	AMENDED: Erection of a single storey extension, two storey extension, new porch and bay window. Insulating and rendering of external walls	
20/02365/FUL	Mr James Caffrey Bloor Homes	Land To The South Of Southam Grange And West Of Banbury Road, Banbury Road, Southam	AMENDED: Erection of 84 dwellings with associated roads, car parking, landscaping, and open space; the formation of replacement football training pitches; and the installation of associated infrastructure	27/01/2022: STC will maintain their position.
22/00068/FUL	Coulter	Corner House, 4A Welsh Road West, Southam, CV47 0JN	Proposed extension of existing dropped kerb	27/01/2022: Subject to Highways Authority approval.
21/03120/VARY	Dr D Burston	Dallas Burston Polo Grounds Stoneythorpe Southam CV47 2DL	Variation of condition 1 of planning permission 21/01609/VARY to include the amended position of the amenity building, (previously approved under 14/01165/FUL- Variation of Conditions 2 (Plans), 3 (Location of units) and 4 (Maximum number of each type of unit) of planning permission 14/01165/FUL to account for land that has been taken by HS2 mitigation works and change the site layout and number of each type of unit. (Original permission 14/01165/FUL: Change of use of grazing land for the purposes of a camping site, including touring caravans and campervans, yurts and tents and as a static holiday caravan site, together with ancillary building comprising sanitary associated works and landscaping.)	27/01/2022: Defer decision to Cllr Walster and Cllr John following meeting with Long Itchington.
21/03394/VARY	Dr D Burston	Dallas Burston Polo Grounds Stoneythorpe Southam CV47 2DL	Variation of Conditions 1 and 2 to allow modifications to the shape of 12 of the yurts, of planning permission 19/02736/FUL (Campsite for the construction of 20no. yurts in an arboretum and sculpture park setting, with associated tracks and hard surfaces)	27/01/2022: Defer decision to Cllr Walster and Cllr John following meeting with Long Itchington.