

Sunningdale Parish Council

Minutes of the Parish Council Tuesday 9 June 2015

At 7.30 pm at the Pavilion, Broomhall Lane

- 87/15 **Attendance:** Anne-Catherine Buxton, Yvonne Jacklin, Lilly Evans, Robin Booth, Mary Sayer
Apologies: Valerie Pike, Rosemarie Nash, Michael Burn,
- 88/15 **Councillors: Introduction of Councillor Mary Sayer.** She was welcomed to Council, having read the Code of Conduct and signed the acceptance of office.
- Co-option of additional Councillor: a resident had submitted her willingness to serve on Council. It was recommended that the Chair and another meet with her, and report back. AM/ ACB
There is still a vacancy and everyone encouraged to make suggestions
- 89/15 **Declaration of interest:** there are none
- 90/15 **Approval of Minutes:** the minutes were approved and duly signed
- Matters arising:** Mary Sayer has agreed to serve on Rec and Prop Committee and to be Allotment representative. ACB stood down from the R&P Committee
- 91/15 **To Adopt Standing Orders.** Council approved the revised Standing Orders
- 92/15 **Finance**
Cllr RB noted the difference between the reported balances and the bank statement, which are derived from the bank at different times on the same day.
The Clerk was asked to investigate internet banking.
The Internal Auditors Report was noted and it was pleasing that no action points had been raised.
Income and expenditure were approved, with apologies from the Clerk for the merging of April and May due to software upgrade.
Grant for Ascot Volunteer Bureau for £250, recommended by the Finance Committee, was approved by Council
- 93/15 **Approval of the Annual Accounts.**
The Accounts were circulated. These were approved by Council.
Cllr RB expressed his dissatisfaction at the quality of the accounts which had included careless mistakes and calculating errors. It was agreed to write to them to point this out. It was agreed to get alternative quotes from accountants, perhaps used by other Councils and for these to be put before the Finance Committee. RB & AM
- 94/15 **Governance Statement of the Annual Return.**
The statement was read out and the answers in the affirmative were given on all counts. It was duly signed by the Chairman and Clerk.
- 95/15 **Training.** It was proposed to hold a half day training on 27 June with Liz Howlett. This date does not suit some new Councillors. The suggestion is

morning of 12 September – which will be circulated to Councillors. If this does not work we shall do a weekday evening.

AM reported on the SLCC Berkshire training day which had covered emergency planning, including off-site storage of essential data, and a session on leadership skills of the clerk. There were interesting insights into handling of staff and Councillors as part of the professional training for the Clerk.

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Planning Committee

The Chairman reported on the 3 applications for minor extensions that have been approved by Councillors as the date for response precedes the date of Planning. Clerk to inform Planning Maidenhead on these 3 applications.

AM

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Projects Committee.

Lilly Evans as elected Chairman of this committee spoke of the work she had been doing on Longcross/DERA development and the implication of the construction traffic coming through Sunningdale Chobham Road. LE has written a letter of objection to the Condition 18 of the DERA development. She has been in conversation with Planning Officers at RBC and it is clear that additional information must be submitted before the application can be considered.

RBWM has strongly objected to the application to Condition 18 as discussed at RDCP on 3rd June. ACB spoke on behalf of Council as did SPAE and NP DG. There is a further issue of removal of contaminated material from the site. The applicant has tried to use Longcross South for processing of this contaminated material but this is Green belt and it has been established that planning permission would be required to use this site. Furthermore the bridge across the M3 that links Longcross North and South includes a condition that it can only be used by cycles and pedestrians.

Letters will go on 10 June to object to Condition 18 and ask further questions

The Borough has introduced a 18tn weight limit on the Chobham Road as of 1 June but there are still issues of the placing and size of signs announcing the weight limit, most notably on the Surrey CC land beyond the bridge.

BEN Lynwood. Magnolia House has employed a planning consultant to help them present the case for the development of the medical centre at BEN Lynwood. Having read the report, the WG has grave concerns on the adequacy of the report in terms of arguing VSC and the sequential test for building in the GB as required by Planning. This had been reported back to Magnolia House with the offer to help if requested by the doctors. RB raised the question of Council remaining neutral so it could comment when the planning application was received.

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Question time/information sharing

Councillors were asked to set up their sunningdaleparish email by the next meeting, with assistance from Brian King.

Parish Conference 29 June at 7.0pm in Windsor – all welcome to attend.

Anyone has anything for the website they may submit text to the Clerk.

The draft newsletter was circulated and approved by Council.

Council accepted the recommendation that Circus Normandie be not invited back next year, having not attracted much interest and leaving many posters.

Council closed at 9.23pm

