



Soulbury Parish Council Buckinghamshire

Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting 19 July 2021 at 7:30 pm

Those present:

Cllr Victor Wright
Cllr Maurice Cross
Cllr Alan Stevens
Cllr Margaret Rowe
Cllr John Day
Wendy Taylor
4 members of the public

Chairman
Vice-Chairman

Parish Clerk Assistant

1	Apologies for absence	Action																																	
	Received from Mrs Russel, Wendy Taylor (self-isolation) and Cllr Jilly Jordan.																																		
2	Approval of minutes																																		
	Minutes of the meeting held on 21 June 2021 were approved and signed by Cllr Wright.																																		
3	Matters arising																																		
	Awaiting arrival of the new bin for childrens' playground. Cllr Cross has made a plinth for our gift and will arrange engraved plaques as his equipment is not fine enough for the purpose.	MC																																	
4	New Councillor																																		
	Mr Nigel Kemal was invited to join the Council and was duly co-opted onto the Council by unanimous vote. He was welcomed by all those present																																		
5	Finance																																		
	<p>a) The following payments were approved for payment:</p> <table> <tr> <td>EON</td><td>New LED streetlighting 24/2/21</td><td>£9000.00</td></tr> <tr> <td>EON</td><td>Street lighting 3/6/21</td><td>£125.15</td></tr> <tr> <td>Bucks Council</td><td>New bin for Play Area</td><td>£31.00</td></tr> <tr> <td>George Maynard</td><td>Allotment gatepost</td><td>£145.00</td></tr> <tr> <td>CS Maintenance</td><td>Grass mowing 29/6/21 inc SMG</td><td>£200.00</td></tr> <tr> <td>Nic Morris</td><td>2 x cherry trees/posts</td><td>£75.00</td></tr> <tr> <td>Cllr Wright</td><td>Lettering for play area bin</td><td>£2.49</td></tr> <tr> <td>CS Maintenance</td><td>Grass mowing 7/7/21 inc SMG</td><td>£200.00</td></tr> <tr> <td>Heart & Soulbury Gdns</td><td>Strim overgrown areas 9/7/21</td><td>£35.00</td></tr> <tr> <td>Heart & Soulbury Gdns</td><td>Strim, cutback trees, remove wood</td><td>£105.00</td></tr> <tr> <td>British Gas</td><td>Parish Hall supply</td><td>£25.04</td></tr> </table> <p>b) A budget of £400 for Parish Chairman's discretionary fund was agreed .</p>	EON	New LED streetlighting 24/2/21	£9000.00	EON	Street lighting 3/6/21	£125.15	Bucks Council	New bin for Play Area	£31.00	George Maynard	Allotment gatepost	£145.00	CS Maintenance	Grass mowing 29/6/21 inc SMG	£200.00	Nic Morris	2 x cherry trees/posts	£75.00	Cllr Wright	Lettering for play area bin	£2.49	CS Maintenance	Grass mowing 7/7/21 inc SMG	£200.00	Heart & Soulbury Gdns	Strim overgrown areas 9/7/21	£35.00	Heart & Soulbury Gdns	Strim, cutback trees, remove wood	£105.00	British Gas	Parish Hall supply	£25.04	
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6	Planning																																		
	<p>21/02224: Land adj Three Locks Ph, Leighton Road, Soulbury known as Waterside Barn - construction of a new detached double garage. No objection.</p> <p>21/02786: Land at Stockgrove Park, Soulbury - erection of barn. No objection.</p>																																		

	21/02674: Dairy Cottage, The Studio, Liscombe Park, Soulbury - Certificate of lawfulness application for single storey building and associated garden which has functioned as a separate residential dwelling. Council to object on the grounds of unlawful development, merely to show opposition to this type of 'creeping in' where an annexe is built and then years later is granted full status. The argument was put forward that Planning Laws have written in them that if no objection or enforcement has been made within the last ten years, then this appears to be a 'fait accompli'.	
7	Environment	
	<p>6.1 Childrens' Playground It was agreed that the funding for the new equipment will be obtained from s106 monies we, as a parish, has accrued. Matched funding from a local waste company would mean the work could not start until December 2021 therefore became a non-starter as feelings were rife at the length of time the whole project is taking. Parish Council will fund the access provision for the less abled in the parish. Cllr Wright will complete the s106 monies application form.</p> <p>6.2 Grass cutting It was agreed that CS Maintenance would continue to mow the Soulbury Millennium Green as our mower is not really man enough for the task. It was also agreed that a council member would walk around the village with Richard (Heart and Soulbury Gardens) to establish what work needs to be done. Cllr Stevens will liaise with Richard.</p>	<p>VW</p> <p>AS</p>
8	Reports from County Councillors	
	No report as Cllr Jilly Jordan was unable to attend.	
9	Parish Hall	
	The acquisition of solar panels on the roof of the parish hall was discussed and it was decided they were not necessary.	
10	Millennium Green	
	The Green is receiving comments on how good it is looking.	
11	Public Participation	
	Nothing brought forward.	
12	Any other business	
	<p>Cllr Stevens read information given to him by Wendy Taylor regarding the items on the agenda, namely Public Participation and Any other business (AOB).</p> <p>Public Participation is for members of the public to make statements and ask questions, usually about items of business on the agenda for the meeting. It is recommended that a time limit be set for this. For those members of the public who wish to communicate about business not included in the agenda, they can communicate with the council in alternative ways such as in writing or via surgeries. Regarding AOB the council cannot lawfully transact business not included on the agenda and, as such, the item AOB should not appear at all. However, it can be used as a 'peg' on which to hang the exchange of urgent information. No decisions should be taken in respect of issues so raised.</p> <p>The Council decided they wanted to retain the item AOB to be used as above.</p> <p>The agenda needs to be sent to all Councillors on the Tuesday before the meeting held on the Monday. Any items to be discussed at that meeting needs to be with the Parish Clerk before that deadline.</p>	
13	Date of next meeting	

	<p>The next meeting will be held on Monday, 20 September 2021 in Soulbury Parish Hall at 7:30 pm. We do not usually meet in August. However, there may be some issues that arise requiring that a meeting be convened in August. If this is the case, notification of the meeting will appear on noticeboards, on the parish website and village Facebook page.</p>	All
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