



Soulbury Parish Council Buckinghamshire

Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting 16 September 2024 at 7:30 pm

Those present:

Cllr John Bennett
Cllr Nigel Kemal
Cllr Margaret Rowe
Cllr Alan Stevens
Cllr Victor Wright Chairman

Wendy Taylor Clerk

6 member of the public (MOP)

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89/24	Apologies for absence									
	Apologies received from Cllrs Jilly Jordan, Maurice Cross and Salina Darbyshire Mackay.									
90/24	Questions or comments from the public									
	Cllr Jordan could not attend so sent her report for inclusion on the website. Clerk read out headlines.									
91/24	Minutes of the previous Parish Meeting									
	Minutes of the meeting held on 15th July 2024 were agreed as correct and signed by the Chairman.									
92/24	Matters arising									
	None									
93/24	To receive declarations of interest related to the business on the agenda									
	There were none.									
94/24	Finance									
	<p>a) Accounts paid Please see attached list.</p> <p>b) Monies received: Please see attached list.</p> <p>Balance at bank as at 10 September 2024 was £25,260.01, balance as at 16 September 2024 is £37,760.00. Bank statement for July and August 2024 was signed by Cllr Wright.</p> <p>Since the agenda was prepared the following have been paid and received:</p> <p>£</p> <table><tr><td>Open Spaces Society</td><td>36.90</td></tr><tr><td>CS Maintenance</td><td>180.00</td></tr><tr><td>British Gas</td><td>10.89</td></tr></table> <p>Receipts</p> <table><tr><td>Bucks Council</td><td>12,500.00 (Precept)</td></tr></table>	Open Spaces Society	36.90	CS Maintenance	180.00	British Gas	10.89	Bucks Council	12,500.00 (Precept)	
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	<p>c) Ride-on mower: after discussions both at the Soulbury Millennium Green committee meeting and the Parish Council meeting where it was raised that although the current ride-on mower is technically sound it is getting close to needing replacement. It was discussed that a new more substantial mower could be deployed on parish council work and that of the SMG so Council were asked to consider sharing the cost. Richard Caplan who maintains the village and millennium green has been asked to get quotes on various options. A decision will be made when this information is to hand.</p> <p>d) Lighting is needed for the path to the church as well as events on the SMG so Cllr Kemal was asked to look at finding something appropriate for the job in time for the installation of the new Team Rector. He was given a budget of £200.</p> <p>e) It was agreed to increase the remuneration paid to the parish hall cleaner to £12.50 per hour from £10. This will be backdated to August.</p>	
95/24	Update from Clerk on parish matters	
	<p>a) Model Financial Regulations - ongoing</p> <p>b) 30 mph on Stewkley Road: Cllr Gomm suggested checking that it is not a requirement of the planning application to move the limit back to the 40 mph limit. It has been checked and does not so will check if a Condition can be added to achieve this.</p> <p>c) Overgrown hedging Chapel Hill - Owner cut it back considerably and is much better.</p> <p>d) Bin area on village green - received response to our letter and it was agreed that a letter of acknowledgement be sent.</p>	<p>Clerk</p> <p>Clerk</p> <p>Clerk</p>
96/24	Planning	
	<p>20/03987/DIS: Liscombe Business Park, Soulbury, LU7 0JL - Application for approval of details subject to Condition 4 (Biodiversity Enhancement Strategy) 6 (Great Crested Newt Method Statement) of planning approval 20/03987. No action.</p> <p>23/A1505/DIS: Liscombe Business Park, Soulbury, LU7 0JL - Application for approval of details subject to Condition 5 (Biodiversity Enhancement Strategy, Habitat and Construction Environment Management Plan) of planning approval 23/A1505/APP. No action.</p> <p>24/03505/DIS: Rammamere House, Stockgrove Park, Soulbury, LU7 0BB Application for approval of details subject to Condition 4 (Tree Protection Plan) of planning approval 24/03505/APP. No action.</p> <p>24/02427: Battams Farm, 37 The Green, Soulbury, LU7 0DD - conversion of workshop/store building and stables to single dwelling including associated link extension. Council does not support this application.</p> <p>21/A1384: Sandy Hill Farm, Leighton Road, Soulbury, LU7 0DT - application for approval of details subject to condition 5 (waste management plan) of planning approval 21/01384 allowed on appeal 22/00106/ENFNOT. No action.</p> <p>24/02566: Cherry Tree Barn, Bragenham Lane, Soulbury, LU7 0EE -Certificate of Lawfulness for proposed insert a new patio window in the south east elevation and new roof light to the north west election. No action.</p> <p>24/02711: The Paddocks, Stewkleuy Road, Soulbury, LU7 0DJ - Prior notification application (Part 3, Class Q) for change of use and conversion of existing hay barn into one dwellinghouse. Council does not support this application as it extends village boundary and opens up area for infill.</p>	

97/24	Environment	
	<p>a. Fountain Documents now sent to Land Registry, solicitor warned it could be a long wait. Still awaiting response from Land Registry. As it has been inferred that it will be a long wait this item will be removed from the agenda until a response is received.</p> <p>b. Allotments Nothing to report.</p> <p>c. Millennium Green Dogs are defecating in the area and owners are not picking up after them. Richard Caplan is picking up at least 3 bags of dog poo a day some of which has been found in the children's play area that has a notice on the gate saying that dogs are not permitted in the area. Richard has been seconded to obtain wildlife cameras so we can ascertain who is not picking up and deal/ fine them. Cllr Kemal will ensure this happens.</p>	Cllr Kemal
98/24	Correspondence	
	<p>a. Callum Anderson, MP Buckingham and Bletchley, invited Council to meet him. Clerk to arrange meeting at Council meetings and to advise him of the next two dates.</p> <p>b. Clerk advised of several notices relating to Govt strategy on local resilience and Martyn's Law.</p> <p>c. Clerk advised of consultation relating to Local Cycling and Walking Infrastructure Project (LCWIP) noting suggested routes do not come anywhere near Soulbury. Cllr Wright suggested that we ask for a cycle/walk path from the village to the canal.</p> <p>d. Clerk advised she had received the revised grass cutting map from the Devolution Team at Bucks County which now does not show the Stapleford Road as an area of responsibility for Soulbury.</p>	Clerk
99/24	Councillors Open Forum	
	<p>a. PCC - service to instal team rector at All Saints is on 6 October at 6:30 pm.</p> <p>b. Poppy wreath is £22.25. Clerk will arrange to get a cheque for this to Cllr Rowe, payable to the RBL.</p>	Clerk
100/24	Public Participation	
	<p>Thanks received for rolling playground from MOP but undulates badly. Solution to be investigated. However, it was pointed out that the area is used despite this as the nets have been damaged badly by footballs being kicked with force.</p> <p>Village green: area recently piped for drainage still needs to be trimmed, rolled and then sown to blend the area in with the rest of the village green.</p> <p>30 mph area: MOP suggested that pro temps, until the permanent move of the 30mph sign happens, Council could use existing MVAS outside Millennium Green, put a posthole in area by 40 mph sign and move MVAS with its pole to the additional site. Manpower needed. Cllr Wright will organise.</p>	Cllr Wright Cllr Wright
101/24	Next meeting	
	<p>The next Parish Council meeting will be held on Monday, 21 October, 2024 in Soulbury Parish Hall at 7:30 pm.</p> <p>Please note the dates for 2024: 18/11/24, 16/12/24.</p>	All

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Payments and receipts as at 10 September 2024

Payments		£
British Gas	Gas for Parish Hall	28.18
Eon Next	Power for Parish Hall	36.90
Anglian Water (Wave)	Water for Parish Hall	54.92
Austin & Carnley	Legal work on possessory title of Fountain	645.00
Alan Stevens	JCB insurance for levelling childrens play area	76.00
Richard Caplan	HSG-094-011	100.00
Richard Caplan	HSG-095-041	225.00
CS Maintenance	Grass cutting inv CS0525	180.00
Wendy Taylor	Sage Payroll licence	12.00
Richard Caplan	HSG-094-012	100.00
Richard Caplan	HSG-095-042	225.00
Leighton Hire	Roller hire for levelling childrens play area	165.60
CS Maintenance	Grass cutting inv CS0526	180.00
British Gas	Gas for Parish Hall	14.72
NPower	Streetlighting	64.61
Eon Next	Power for Parish Hall	31.59
CS Maintenance	Grass cutting inv CS0527	180.00
Soulbury Millennium Green	Contribution to site upkeep	600.00
Wendy Taylor	Sage Payroll licence	12.00
NPower	Streetlighting	65.39
Eon Next	Power for Parish Hall	27.45
Richard Caplan	HSG-094-013	100.00
Richard Caplan	HSG-095-043	225.00
British Gas	Gas for Parish Hall	15.15
Receipts		
Bucks Council	Hall hire for election	275.00
Sane	Parish Hall booking	30.00
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