

**SOUTH CADBURY & SUTTON MONTIS PARISH COUNCIL
MINUTES OF THE FULL COUNCIL MEETING OF SOUTH CADBURY &
SUTTON MONTIS PARISH COUNCIL HELD AT SUTTON MONTIS
VILLAGE HALL**

Thursday 12th January 2023 at 19:30hrs

Present - D Soper (Chair) M Toop (Vice Chair) M Semmons L Tabor J Griffiths
C Toop (Parish Clerk) 10 members of the public

The Chairperson opened the meeting and advised the meeting is being recorded. The public were reminded they are only permitted to speak during the open session

PC 2023/01 To receive Apologies for absence and to approve the reasons given
No apologies received

PC 2023/02 Declarations of interest Members to declare any interests they may have in agenda items that accord with the requirements of the Councils Code of Conduct
No interests to declare

PC 2023/03 To approve and sign as a correct record the minutes of the Full Council Meeting held on Thursday 1st December 2022
The minutes of the Full Council Meeting held on Thursday 1st December 2022 were approved and signed as a correct record by the Chairperson

PC 2023/04 Actions from previous meeting

1. **PC 2022/66 New bank account update** – the Clerk advised some problems had been experienced with opening the new account and a new application will be started. It was suggested that the signatories on the existing account are changed and kept open until the precept for the coming year is received – unanimously approved. The Clerk will contact the previous Clerk to request this is done
2. **PC 2022/66 New website update** – the new website is now in operation however the previous website and associated email account were taken down by the previous host without prior notice. He has agreed to export the data in the email account to the new host for importing but will be charging £60 – unanimously approved to pay Tor New Media £60 for the data transfer
3. **PC 2022/70 Planning applications hyperlink** - the Clerk has enquired with the Planning team at SSDC if a hyperlink can be added but has not been able to access the emails to see if a reply has been received
4. **PC 2022/75 Highways update** - see Open session
5. **PC 2022/76 Grit bin for South Cadbury** – the Clerk advised she has contacted the owner of the Camelot pub and is awaiting a reply

PC 2023/05 Open session

1. Concern was raised by all members of the public about the alleged dumping of waste materials at Sutton Farm and the associated high volume of lorries accessing the site.

Cllr Griffiths advised he has not received a reply from the Highways Agency or Network Rail regarding the road use concerns and will chase up before the next meeting.

An email received by a public member from John Nicholson, Assistant Highway Service Manager was read which confirmed he had visited the road and was aware of carriageway repairs needed to re-establish the highway and advised the planning breach concerns should be reported to Planning Enforcement. The Clerk re-read the reply previously received from the Enforcement team which confirms they are satisfied there is no planning breach

Network Rail has confirmed they will get the railway bridge inspected; Cllr Griffiths will contact them again to see if there is a weight restriction over the railway bridge;. Members of the public reported noise nuisance from lorries reversing throughout the summer

When using the road it is necessary to move onto the wrong side of the road to avoid the large potholes. It was reported that the volume of traffic through the village will be much higher in the summer due to vehicles avoiding the A303 and there is concern there is likely to be a fatal accident unless something is done

There has recently been a problem with flooding due to the road damage

It was queried if a weight restriction could be put in place – the Clerk will enquire

It was asked if the number of lorries using the road could be recorded – the Clerk reminded there is currently nothing to restrict them

2. There is a large pothole on Rectory Road in Sutton Montis – the Clerk will report it
3. It was enquired if the Parish Council had received notification of an amended planning application request for the Avalon site – the Clerk will make enquiries and arrange an Extraordinary General Meeting to discuss

PC 2023/06 District/County Councillor update report

December 2022 report previously circulated by email

PC 2023/07 PCSO items

December 2022 report previously circulated by email. The Clerk advised that Dan Humphrey has now left however 2 contacts are available until a replacement can be found

PC 2023/08 Planning Updates and Applications

- **APPLICATION NUMBER 22/03080/HOU Menteith House Sutton Montis Road Sutton Montis – Awaiting decision**

PC2023/09 Budget proposal and precept setting 2023/2024 £6000

The proposed Budget previously circulated by the Clerk was unanimously approved. Owing to the increased cost of living and as the Council has a healthy bank balance it was unanimously agreed to not increase the precept for 2023/2024 and £6000 will be requested

PC 2023/10 South Cadbury Village Hall Committee update

Cllr Semmons reported the Committee want to expand the play area in South Cadbury. It was agreed that the Council is willing to use some of the CIL money for this and asked for supporting quotes

PC 2023/11 Grant policy

The Clerk report there are restrictions that govern grants that can be made and it may be helpful to have a grant policy and application form for fairness and transparency purposes. The Clerk will speak to the West Camel Clerk for advice and enquire if their application form could be adapted and used

PC 2023/12 Donations

There were no further suggestions for donations this year

PC 2023/13 Clerk items

Nothing to report

PC 2023/14 Financial matters

Nothing to report

PC 2023/15 Correspondence to be noted

No correspondence received

PC 2023/16 Agenda items for next meeting

Potholes around the village

Sign at bottom Rectory Hill, Sutton Montis needs attention

PC 2023/17 Date of next meeting

16th March 2023 – 7.30 pm at Sutton Montis Village Hall

Meeting closed at 20.35

Signed Date

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