

Sutton-cum-Duckmanton Parish Council

At a meeting of the Parish Council held in the Arkwright Centre on the 12th March 2018.

138/18 Members Present. Councillors N. Hough, M. Smart, B. Brocksopp, A. Clark, A. Foster, J. Foster.

Also in attendance were District Councillors P. Kerry, S. Boyle, County Councillor N. Barker and Mr P. Goodwin - Clerk.

139/18 Apologies. Councillors J. Stocks and K. Payne.

140/18 Councillors Absent. None.

141/18 Declaration of Members' Interests. There were no declarations made in respect of any of the agenda items.

142/18 Public Speaking.

Items from members of the public. None as there were no members of the public present at the meeting.

Police. The figures for February aren't yet available; however, the Clerk will include these details in the minutes of the meeting following their availability on the police website. The Clerk has collated the figures for January and these are as follows:-

Arkwright Town

Two incidents of violence and sexual offence on Rosling Way
One incident of anti-social behaviour on Lime Tree Grove

Long Duckmanton

One incident of criminal damage and arson on Rectory Gardens
One incident of violence and sexual offence on Rectory Gardens
One incident of anti-social behaviour on St. Peter's Close

District Council. The Clerk has contacted the District Council regarding the general rubble and waste material that has been found on the amenity land at the right-hand side of the entrance to Rose Gardens; photographic evidence has now been sent to them and they will consider if it is possible for them to take any action in this respect.

The clearing up of the area around the Dell has still not taken place and apparently the wooden footway here is very slippery; Councillor Kerry agreed to take this matter up again with the District Council.

The security post that has been removed on the land leading to the football field has still not been replaced; this area of land belongs to the District Council. It was also suggested that some metal, or concrete, posts would be useful on the land adjacent to the roundabout on the A632 at Arkwright Town in order to stop vehicles gaining access to land beyond there; unfortunately, this has happened on more than one occasion in the past.

Work has not yet started on proper reinstatement of the 'amenity' land on the steep embankment between the highway and the recently completed housing development off Hardwick Drive, Arkwright Town. The Clerk has contacted the Planning Department and apparently Oakleigh Homes are still in existence as a company and the enforcement notice has been sent to their registered address.

County Council. The list of outstanding issues that have been reported to the County Council is now as follows:-

- The 'chevron' sign is missing at the junction of Shire Lane and Palterton Lane.
- There is a missing 'chevron' sign between Sutton Scarsdale and Heath on the corner near to Hopkinson's Farm.
- The directional signs on Shire Lane are low and they are not clearly visible due to the surrounding vegetation.
- The highway signs at either side of the traffic lights at the Deepsic Lane/A632 junction are not clearly visible as they are being obscured by overhanging trees and bushes.
- There are a number of gullies that need cleaning out on the A632 and other roads within the Parish in order to reduce the effects of excess surface water on the highway during periods of heavy rain.
- The area under the bridge on Postman's lane needs clearing out again.
- Water is running off the land at the 'S' bend on Sutton Lane causing a risk through icy conditions at this time of year and there is a similar issue at Muster Brook between Temple Normanton and Heath although this stretch of road is not actually within our Parish.

There has been no further information regarding to the yellow brick road since the September Parish Council meeting.

In respect of the replacement bus shelter on Hardwick Drive, Arkwright Town, the Clerk has written to the County Council to confirm that the Parish Council now expects this shelter to be put in place as a matter of urgency and this view is supported by Councillor Barker. Whether the cost of this falls solely onto the County Council, or whether it is resolved jointly with the District Council, is not a matter of concern for the Parish Council.

143/18 Non-Exempt Minutes - 12th February 2018.

RESOLVED to confirm as a correct record the Non-Exempt Minutes of the meeting held on the 12th February 2018

144/18 Items in Exclusion. There were no items to be taken in exclusion.

145/18 Clerk of the Council's Report.

a). **Maintenance of land.** There is nothing further to report until it is known what action, if any, will be taken by Oakleigh Homes to properly reinstate the 'amenity' land on the steep embankment between the highway and the recently completed housing development off Hardwick Drive, Arkwright Town.

146/18 Matters for Decision.

a). **Replacement bus shelter on the A632 near to the MarkhamVale roundabout.** The Clerk reported that he has followed this matter up with the County Council but he has not yet had an indication of when this work is likely to be completed by,

RESOLVED that the Clerk will follow this matter up again with the County Council.

147/18 Accounts. The Clerk read through all the items of income and expenditure that had taken place since the last meeting. The following cheques were duly approved :-

a). <u>Payee.</u>	<u>Cheque No.</u>	<u>Amount</u>
February's wages	-	738 . 24
Exlen Technology - computer equipment and repair	000806	131 . 98
John Owen (Aggregates) - limestone filling material	000807	285 . 11
The Arkwright Centre - grant	000808	5,000 . 00

RESOLVED that the accounts are unanimously approved and the payments listed above were authorised.

148/18 DALC Circulars.

RESOLVED to note the information contained in **04/2018** - General Circular.

149/18 General Correspondence. Various items of general correspondence were distributed to the meeting. The Clerk has sent a copy of the Markham Vale Liaison Committee March e-newsletter to all Councillors by e-mail and also a letter of thanks from Sutton-cum-Duckmanton Parochial Church Council in respect of the grant that was recently made to them.

RESOLVED to note the correspondence as distributed.

150/18 Reports from Parish Council Representatives on other bodies.

MEGZ - Councillor Hough stated that there is nothing further to report in this respect at the moment.

The Arkwright Centre - Councillor Smart reported that a further grant is required following the lack of income during the past couple of months caused by the extremely severe weather conditions. Also, the staff in the office have worked really hard in order to bring the accounts fully up to date which will now enable the auditor to finalise the work required.

District and Parish Liaison Group - Councillor Smart attended this meeting and he will give a report to the next Parish Council meeting.

RESOLVED to note the verbal reports that were received and to authorise a grant of £5,000 to the Arkwright Centre.

151/18 Planning Applications. **The following planning application has now been approved:-**

18/00052/CATPO - Proposed application to remove 2 no. conifer hedges within Sutton Scarsdale Conservation Area at Ivydene, Palterton Lane, Sutton Scarsdale, Chesterfield for Mr Terry Phillips.

152/18 Date and venue of the next meeting. The next meeting will be held in the Arkwright Centre on Monday 9th April 2018 at 7:15pm.

Chairman 9th April 2018