

Sutton-cum-Duckmanton Parish Council

At a meeting of the Parish Council held in the Arkwright Centre on the 10th December 2018.

93/19 Members Present. Councillors N. Hough, M. Smart, B. Brocksopp, J. Stocks, A. Clark and K. Payne.

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

94/19 Apologies. Councillors A. Foster, J. Foster and District Councillor Shay Boyle.

95/19 Councillors Absent. None.

96/19 Declaration of Members' Interests. There were no declarations made in respect of any of the agenda items.

97/19 Public Speaking.

Items from members of the public. There were no members of the public present at the meeting but it was reported that the fire hydrant on the bend in the road adjacent to Sutton Lane Farm has now been repaired and there is no longer any water leaking from it.

Police. The figures for November 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 October and these are as follows:-

October

Arkwright Town

Four incidents of anti-social behaviour near to the Arkwright Centre
One incident of criminal damage and arson at Laurel Avenue
Two incidents of anti-social behaviour on Rosling Way

Long Duckmanton

One incident of violence and sexual offences on Rectory Gardens
Three incidents of anti-social behaviour and one vehicle crime on Chesterfield Road
One incident of anti-social behaviour on Cherry Tree Drive

Sutton Scarsdale

Two incidents of criminal damage and arson and on incident of anti-social behaviour at Shire Lane

District Council. The Clerk reported that the clearing up of the area around the Dell has now taken place; Councillor Kerry confirmed that the open watercourse, which allows surface water to enter the balancing pond, has now been cleared out.

Councillor Kerry stated that the District Council has now inspected the steps leading up to the football field which are in a very dangerous condition. Unfortunately, the prices received from private contractors to carry out this work have been very high therefore the District Council intend to carry this out using their own workforce. It was agreed that, in the meantime, the Clerk will try to obtain some more estimates to see if any of these are more acceptable.

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

- The directional signs on Shire Lane are low and they are not clearly visible due to the surrounding vegetation and the one at the Shire Lane /Palterton Lane/Sutton Lane junction has a broken post which allows the sign to rotate in the wind; it is also held upright with an old wooden post and is at risk of falling over.
- 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.
- Water is running off the land at Muster Brook between Temple Normanton and Heath although this stretch of road is not actually within our Parish.
- The road surfaces on the two new housing developments off Hardwick Drive, Arkwright Town still need completing.
- The bus shelter on the A632 near to the Markham Vale roundabout, that was demolished in September 2017, has still not been replaced but work is due to commence shortly.

The Clerk has written to the County Council regarding these outstanding matters and hopefully a response will be received prior to the January meeting.

The Clerk reported on the issue of the unadopted road surfaces on the two new housing developments off Hardwick Drive, Arkwright Town namely Dunsil Close and Chavery Close. Apparently there would be no guarantee in advance of work being carried out that the roads would be adopted by the County Council but that an inspection would take place upon completion of the work. The Clerk has already asked the District Council to look into whether or not there would be sufficient room for refuse collection lorries to access these roads if the roads are eventually adopted.

There has been no further information regarding the yellow brick road since the September 2017 Parish Council meeting and the Clerk has written again to ask for a progress report. Also, the kissing gate at Longcourse Lane/Sutton Lane, that was damaged when the farmer was cutting the hedges, has not been repaired yet.

98/19 Non-Exempt Minutes - 12th November 2018.

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

99/19 Items in Exclusion. There were no items to be taken in exclusion.

100/19 Clerk of the Council's Report. The Clerk reported that the County Council has already completed the engineering works to the bus lay-by on the A632 near to the Markham Vale roundabout and the new shelter should be installed early in 2019.

In respect of the repairs required to the existing bus shelters it was agreed that the next phase will be to carry out the work on the four wooden bus shelters in the Parish; in the case of the wooden shelter in Sutton Scarsdale this just needs re-felting and staining but not repairing.

RESOLVED to note the information presented.

101/19 Matters for Decision.

a). Precept and staff wages 2019/20. The Clerk presented a draft precept for the financial year 2019/20. After a brief discussion it was agreed to accept the figures as presented.

RESOLVED to leave the precept at its current level of £55,000 for the financial year 2019/20 and this will be sufficient to build up a contingency fund for any unforeseen expenditure that may be incurred. Wages will remain in accordance with the nationally agreed rates of pay and this is likely to be a small increase of around 2% with effect from the 1st April 2019.

b). Sponsorship of the figures commemorating the three major disasters at Markham Colliery. Following the decision made at the November meeting to sponsor one of these figures the Clerk has contacted the County Council and work has now commenced on researching the most appropriate one for the Parish Council to sponsor.

RESOLVED to note the information presented.

102/19 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>
James Kimberley - fix and remove lamppost poppies	000855	480 . 00
November's wages	-	858 . 08
M. T. Stanley - litter picking and fixing of memorial	000856	585 . 00
Peak Playgrounds Ltd. - play equipment, shelter and tables	000857	14,502 . 00
Garry Dimaio - lay path and clean war memorial	000858	990 . 00
Mr P. Goodwin - Clerk's expenses	000859	335 . 62
Mr N. Hough - Chair's expenses	000860	600 . 00

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

103/19 DALC Circulars.

RESOLVED to note the information contained in **15/2018** - General Circular.

104/19 General Correspondence. Various items of general correspondence were distributed to the meeting. The Clerk has sent a copy of the Markham Vale Liaison Committee December e-newsletter to all Councillors by e-mail.

The Royal British Legion Chesterfield Branch has sent a letter of thanks in respect of the recent grant that we gave them at the same time as the purchase of the poppy wreath which was laid at the war memorial on Remembrance Sunday.

RESOLVED to note the correspondence as distributed.

105/19 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 - The Clerk reported that the work to upgrade the Centre to an LED lighting system is continuing and it is now close to completion. The play equipment, outdoor shelter and tables have now all been installed and everyone agreed that this has improved the exterior look of the building; the grant to cover the cost of this work has already been received from Luxcara who are the parent company of the two solar farms that fall within our Parish.

The curtain and blinds have now all been ordered and these should be fitted between the middle and the end of January 2019.

Work to renovate the men's and the disabled person's toilets will hopefully commence during the period between Christmas and New Year when the Centre is relatively quiet.

The Christmas celebration event is taking place on Tuesday 18th December and Councillor Clark has obtained a £200 grant from the County Council to assist with the costs of running this event.

Councillor Smart confirmed that the two Christmas community meals will take place in the Arkwright Centre at 5.00 pm on Tuesday 11th December and 12.30 pm on Wednesday 12th December.

District and Parish Liaison Group - The next meeting of this group is not until Spring 2019.

RESOLVED to note the verbal reports that were received.

106/19 Planning Applications. There were no objections to the following planning application:-

18/01105/OL - Proposed variation of condition 24 of planning approval NED/14/00145/OL (Major Development/Departure from the Development Plan) on land at former Coalite Site on the north west and south east sides of Buttermilk Lane, Long Duckmanton for Mrs Sophie Watkin - ISec (on behalf of Bolsover Land Ltd.).

The following planning application has now been approved:-

18/00820/RM - Proposed application for approval of reserved matters for access, appearance, landscaping, layout and scale relating to outline application 15/00497/OL for the construction of a B2/B8 unit with ancillary offices (B1a), with associated access, parking and servicing area, engineering, landscape and drainage works (Major Development) on 360 Hectares of land in Bolsover, Staveley and Sutton-*cum*-Duckmanton on both sides of the M1 Chesterfield Road, Duckmanton by Mr Andrew Priestley - Henry Boot Developments Ltd.

107/19 **Date and venue of the next meeting.** The next meeting will be held in the Arkwright Centre on Monday 14th January 2019 at 7:15pm.

Chairman 14th January 2019