Minutes of Smisby Parish Council Meeting 14th September 2021

Smisby Parish Council Attendance: Councillors Rushman (Chair), Cuming and Das. Parish Clerk Caroline Crowder

Members of the public and other organisations: District Councillor Churchill, Parochial Charity Trustee Robert Hounslow and two members of the public

1. Apologies for Absence

Councillor Taft was unavailable due to annual leave. Councillor Brooke offered his apologies. District Councillor Haines due to attending another parish council meeting. County Councillor Muller due to other work commitments.

2. <u>Declarations of Interest on Items on the Agenda</u>

None.

- 3. Any Agenda items that should be taken with the public excluded None.
 - 4. Chairman's Communications

Councillor Rushman had received an email from the solicitors representing the Parochial Charity with reference to a helicopter landing in the parish field. Resolved, all Councillors agreed to respond to the solicitor acknowledging that the Council does not have authority to agree to helicopters landing in the field.

Clerks Report

The Clerk is on annual leave from 24th September until 4th October 2021.

6. Public Questions and Comments

A member of the public asked for an acknowledge and thanks to a local parishioner for the donation of home-grown vegetables to other parishioners.

- 7. Approval of Minutes from Smisby Parish Council Meeting held on 13th July 2021 All Councillors approved and the Chair signed the minutes.
 - 8. Parochial Charity Communications

Robert Hounslow advised that the Parochial Charity is still looking for local land to purchase. The Christmas hampers were starting to be organised, if anybody knew of any new qualifiers to please let them know. He asked that any projects for the village they were very happy to receive applications for grants to them.

9. Parish Field

The clerk had received an email asking about the wild flower area in the parish field, as it has become over grown. Councillors Cuming and Brooke had been and removed the ragwort. Robert Hounslow took an action to speak to the Parochial Charity over the future use of this area, with the possibility that something could be done to celebrate the platinum jubilee next year.

10. Drains, Flooding and Highways

It was discussed that there were some markings on the road that had been there for some time but no work had been completed. The Councillors asked for this to be escalated to County Councillor Muller.

11. Remembrance Service and Poppy Wreath

Resolved, all Councillors agreed to purchase a poppy wreath and at least one Councillor would be present at the Remembrance Service, believed to be on Sunday 14th November 2021.

12. Community Speed Watch

- Resolved, all Councillors agreed to the risk assessment with the addition of the locations that were allowed to be surveyed.
- b. Councillor Cuming advised that training had been completed by 7 volunteers. During the few weeks that they have been operating with 7 sessions, they have tracked 1,018 cars, 17% of which were speeding. 84 letters have been issued to the motorists.

13. Planning Applications

No comments.

14. District and County Councillor Reports

- a. District Councillor Churchill advised that he had circulated the night flights consultation paper to the Clerk, who had passed to all the Parish Councillors. As the increase in flights was increasing the amount of local employment this benefit had to be balanced with the adverse effects encountered by the local residents and the climate. They are trialling a hybrid model at SDDC for working practices.
- The Parish Councillors thanked County Councillor Muller for the grant received towards the speed watch equipment.

15. Dates of Future Meetings

9th November 2021, 11th January, 8th March, 10th May, 12th July and 13th September 2022.

16. Payment Approval

a.	Clerks' salary	Clerk	£527.21
b.	Playground inspections	D Whitby	£40.00
c.	Lengthsman	H Salt	£60.00
d.	Speed watch bags and signs	Protect Signs	£195.11
e.	Speed watch hi viz wear	Unipar Services	£102.00
f.	Speed watch radar gun	Demon Tweeks (via Councillor Cuming)	£218.95
g.	Website hosting	L South	£15.00

(Please note that items d and e have already been paid on the authority of the Chairman and the Clerk)

Resolved, all Councillors agreed to the payments

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17. Payments Received

Speed Watch Grant

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£250.00

18. Communications Received Since Last Meeting

- a. NALC: Chief executive's bulletin x 7; Events x 3; Newsletter x 5; Election Survey
- b. DALC: Commissioner's £100k grant scheme to help communities get tough on antisocial behaviour PARISH AND TOWN COUNCILS; Playgrounds and outdoor gyms follow-up: Step 4 guidance publication- Coronavirus (COVID-19): Safer public places - managing public outdoor settings; Newsletter - July - 2 – 2021; Newsletter; Training Reminder; September 2021 Newsletter
- c. North West Leicestershire Council: Blackfordby Neighbourhood Plan Submission Consultation
- d. A resident: Wildflower patch in the Children's playing field Smisby
- e. DCC: Mobile library Routes x 2r; Derbyshire bus service improvement plan consultation; 19
 July Community news; Local Bus Service Survey; 6 August Community News from
 Derbyshire County Council; 17 August Community News from Derbyshire County Council –
 Beacon of Hope, road maintenance, accessing the council online, Elvaston's pump house,
 recycling centres survey, Creswell's new path; 6 September Community News from
 Derbyshire County Council; Live Life Better Derbyshire Services
- f. SDDC: Grants available; Gambling Act 2005 Statement of Licensing Policy and Local Area Profile Plan; Police and Crime Commissioner's £100k grant scheme to help communities get tough on antisocial behaviour
- g. East Midlands Asset Delivery: NOTIFICATION OF SURVEY WORKS A42 Junction 14 to the A453 Roundabout & M1 Junction 23a x 2
- h. BHIB: Useful guides and resources for local and parish councils
- i. District Councillor Churchill: Covid Discretionary Fund
- j. District Councillors Haines Grass Cutting Maps; SDDCs Green Homes Grant now made available to all households in South Derbyshire
- k. Smisby Village Hall: Covid Restrictions
- I. East Midlands Airport: 31.21 Smisby Parish Council
- m. Councillor Cuming: Smisby Community Speed Watch; Community Fund
- CVS: 9 July Community News from Derbyshire County Council foster for Derbyshire, crowdfunding success, green entrepreneurs, needle phobia, domestic abuse, healthy school meals; The Latest News from South Derbyshire CVS x 3; Parish Council Items
- Highways England: NOTIFICATION OF SURVEY WORKS A42 JUNCTION 14 TO A453 ROUNDABOUT & M1 JUNCTION 23a
- p. Police: Hello Again
- q. Sara Jones: Survey Parish Councils 2 MSc in Planning dissertation
- r. BHIB: Community Speed Watch Query
- s. Letter received with no contact details provided

The Chair thanked the Parish Councillors for attending and declared the meeting closed. The date of the next Parish Council meeting will be on Tuesday 9th November 2021 in Smisby Village Hall.

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