



**SANDRIDGE PARISH COUNCIL**

Met remotely via video conferencing on Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> January 2021 at 7.30pm for a meeting of The Council

**PRESENT (VIA VIDEO):**

Councillors John Hale (Chair), Neil Harris, Jenny Roberts, Claudio Duran, Patsy Cann, Lyn Bolton, Janet Churchard, James Lancaster, Geoff Churchard, John Foster, John Newton Davies, June Reid, Jon Hegerty

**APOLOGIES:**

There was none

**ABSENT:**

Councillor Graham Leonard

**OFFICERS (VIA VIDEO):**

Simon Thwaites, Parish Clerk  
Rebecca Pannese, Project and Amenities Officer

**ALSO PRESENT:**

One member of the public

**5043 DISCLOSURES OF INTEREST**

There was none.

*The Chair informed the meeting of the recent death of former Parish Councillor Mr. John Flood*

**5044 TO APPROVE AS A CORRECT RECORD THE MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE COUNCIL HELD ON THE 9<sup>th</sup> DECEMBER 2020**

The minutes of the meeting of the Council held on 9<sup>th</sup> December 2020 were reviewed. They were agreed to be a correct record and it was unanimously;

**Resolved**

That the minutes of the meeting be approved and signed by the Chair.

**5045 QUESTIONS TO MEMBERS AND OFFICERS**

**1. Public Participation**

There was none.

**2. Questions to the Officers**

There was none.

**CLERK'S REPORTS**

**5046 Monthly Accounts**

Members reviewed a schedule of creditor payments due for the period 10<sup>th</sup> December 2020 to 13<sup>th</sup> January 2021. Questions were asked and satisfactorily responded to. It was unanimously;

**Resolved**

To approve creditor payments as detailed on the schedule.

**5047 Shopper's Bus**

Councillors reviewed the provision of the Wednesday shopper's bus, provided by the Parish Council for several years and currently suspended. Following discussion regarding levels of usage and the availability of alternative public transport it was proposed by Councillor Neil Harris, seconded by Councillor Claudio Duran that the provision of the shopper's bus be discontinued. The Council voted and;

**Resolved**

To discontinue the service with immediate effect.

**5048 Village Gates**

It was noted that the white timber 'gates' at the southern entrance to the village High Street (at the foot of Reynolds Crescent) are dirty and dilapidated. The Clerk informed Members that the gate to the left as you enter the village has rotted and in need of renewal/removal, whilst the gate to the right is still sound but in need of refurbishment. Following discussion it was;

**Resolved**

To contact Hertfordshire County Council requesting permission for the Parish Council to employ a contractor to remove or replace the left hand gate (cost dependant) and fully renovate the right hand gate.

**5049 Matters of Note**

• **£3,000 Bequest**

This bequest, left to the Parish Council by former resident, Mr John Hillman, will be used to provide a bench along Sandringham Crescent between the junctions of Villiers Crescent and Ripon Way with the balance used for replacement trees on local verges.

**COUNCILLOR AND COMMITTEE REPORTS**

**5050 Neighbourhood Plan**

Councillor John Hale gave councillors a verbal update on the progress of the Sandridge Neighbourhood Plan. It was noted that the Examiner's report required a number of amendments to be made to the report which would then require the approval of the District Council. Following approval of those amendments the District Council should then call a referendum, which may be in May of this year.

**5051 Jersey Farm Woodland Park and Parish Environmental Assets and Paths Committee (PEAP)**

Councillor Jenny Roberts, in her role as Chair, spoke to members on the future plans of these two committees.

**5052 Residents Survey**

Councillor John Hale talked Members through a draft resident's survey, circulated with the agenda. Following discussion it was agreed to proceed with the survey document which will appear on the Parish Council's website and in the next edition of Neighbourhood News.

**5053 Grant Applications**

There were no grant applications this month.

**5054 Meetings of Committees:**

There were no issues raised from the following draft committee minutes produced since the last Full Council.

- Combined Community Centres Committee 14<sup>th</sup> December 2020 - Cancelled
- Planning Committee 7<sup>th</sup> January 2021

**5055 MATTERS OF NOTE ARISING SINCE THE CIRCULATION OF THE AGENDA**

There was none.

**5056 PLANNING MATTERS**

No matters were raised. It was noted that the Planning Committee had objected to/commented on the following applications since last Full Council.

- 10 Beverley Gardens, St Albans – Planning Application: 5/2020/2444
- Park Croft, Hammonds Lane, Sandridge – Planning Application: 5/2020/2653
- 19 Rose Walk, St Albans - Planning Application: 5/2020/2456

**5057 SUGGESTIONS AND/OR MATTERS FOR CONSIDERATION AT FUTURE MEETINGS**

- Councillor Jenny Roberts asked for Christmas lights in Sandridge village and also the Annual Parish Event to appear on the next agenda.

**DATE OF NEXT MEETING**

The next meeting of Sandridge Parish Council will be held on Wednesday, February 10<sup>th</sup> at 7.30pm. This will be held remotely via video conferencing.

There being no further business the meeting closed at 8.54 pm.

**Chair** ..... **Date** ..... **Cllr John Hale**