

**SMITH'S WOOD PARISH COUNCIL - MINUTES OF A FULL COUNCIL MEETING
HELD ON MONDAY 17TH APRIL 2023 AT 4.30 PM.**

Those present

Chairman: Cllr Mrs J Lloyd.

Councillors: Cllr D Cornock, Cllr G Craig, Cllr A Duffen, Cllr H Hendry, Cllr Miss S Nasreisfahany, Cllr K S Paul.

Officer: Mrs K Woods.

In Attendance: Representatives from SASS.

1. Apologies.

There were no apologies were received.

2. Minutes of the Previous Full Council Meeting.

It was **RESOLVED:** That the Minutes of the Full Council Meeting held on Monday 20th March 2023 be approved as a true and correct record.

3. Matters Arising.

a.) Minute number 11.a.) Smith's Wood Alliance.

Members were informed that Clerk had completed the application for funding of the goal posts and was awaiting confirmation from the Football Foundation.

4. Public Participation.

a.) Debi-Ann Ramsey - SASS.

Debi asked members if there was any update on the following issues: Rainbow Crossing; Christmas Tree & Lights for High Street.

Members informed Debi that a meeting had been arranged with a representative from Solihull MBC, who advised the Parish Council to contact Paul Tovey. A letter was sent to Paul Tovey and his response was that the matter raised by the Parish Council would be forwarded to a council meeting for discussion. The Clerk stated that she is still awaiting a response. The Clerk informed Debi that she had contacted Solihull MBC about the installation of a Christmas Tree last year but had received no response. Members asked the Clerk to approach Solihull MBC again.

Cllr Craig asked Debi if there had been any progress on the former Excellence in the Community pod (Excom pod). Debi stated that the Excom pod is owned by the diocese and St John the Baptist school have stated that they will take over the running of the pod. HS2 will carry out the repairs, which may take up to a year to complete. Debi informed members that the skate park at the back of the school by Lanchester Park is in need of repair and asked if the Parish Council could support with the maintenance as the skate park is in disrepair. Members stated that they would contact Solihull MBC and Castle Bromwich Parish Council as the skate park is in the parish of Castle Bromwich.

5. Borough Councillors.

There were no reports submitted.

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6. Correspondence.

- a.) Greg Jones (Tilbury Douglas Construction Ltd) - Re: Construction of Heights SEND Academy at former Bosworth Centre, Auckland Drive.
It was **RESOLVED:** That this item be received and noted.
- b.) Charlene Horrocks (Cars Area Together) - Re: Funding for Go Girl Birmingham at Auckland Hall.
After discussion members stated that Go Girl Birmingham should be funded on a long term basis, due to the work that they are doing, engaging with young people. Cllr Miss Nasreisfahany stated that Warwickshire CAVA provide long term funding.
It was **RESOLVED:** That the Clerk forward an application form for financial assistance to Go Girl Birmingham.
- c.) Paul Tovey (Solihull MBC) - Re: Rainbow Crossing.
It was **RESOLVED:** That this item be received and noted.
- d.) Lee Stevenson (Solihull MBC) - Re: Birmingham Airport Consultative Committee - draft Minutes and dates for 2023 meetings.
It was **RESOLVED:** That this item be received and noted.
- e.) Jayne Turner (West Midlands Police) - Re: WMP New Operating Model being implemented 03/04/2023.
It was **RESOLVED:** That this item be received and noted.
- f.) Solihull MBC - Re: Private Fostering in Solihull.
It was **RESOLVED:** That this item be received and noted.
- g.) Warwickshire & West Midlands Association of Local Councils - Re: Solihull Area Meeting - Thursday 27th April at 7.15pm, The Pavilion, Meriden Sports Ground, Main Road, Coventry, CV7 7LN.
It was **RESOLVED:** That this item be received and noted.
- h.) Solihull MBC - Re: Stay Connected: Love Solihull April 2023.
It was **RESOLVED:** That this item be received and noted.
- i.) Solihull Community Development Team - Re: Community Updates.
It was **RESOLVED:** That this item be received and noted.
- j.) West Midlands Police - Re: Neighbourhood Alerts: Incident in City; Weekly update from the Smithswood Neighbourhood team 21/03/2023; ALERT: WhatsApp account takeover scam; Findings published for The Baroness Casey Review; Take part in our short Insights Survey and win a £25 voucher; Weekly update from the Smithswood Neighbourhood team 30/03/2023; More officers spending more time in local communities - we're changing how we work to better serve you;

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April edition of OUR NEWS is here with crime prevention advice and discounts; Weekly updates from the Smithswood Neighbourhood team 08/04/2023; UK government's new Emergency Alerts system is now live; Distraction Burglaries Solihull.
It was **RESOLVED:** That these items be received and noted.

7. Planning Applications.

There were no planning applications received.

8. Minutes of the Gym Task Force Committee

It was **RESOLVED:** That the Minutes of the Gym Task Force Committee meeting held on Monday 3rd April 2023 be received and the recommendations contained therein be adopted.

9. Accounts Presented, Budget and Bank Reconciliation.

a.) Payments.

It was **RESOLVED:** That the following payments be approved.

Direct Debit, Bill Payments and Standing Orders		Amount £
21/03/2023	IRIS BUSINESS SOFTWARE	15.16
21/03/2023	IRIS PAYROLL SOLUTIONS	7.10
23/03/2023	NEST PENSIONS	423.35
24/03/2023	OFFICE DEPOT - stationery	81.38
24/03/2023	POST OFFICE - stamps	7.60
27/03/2023	WATERLOGIC - water cooler	82.32
29/03/2023	NEST PENSIONS	20.99
03/04/2023	SOLIHULL MBC - business rates	1301.00
03/04/2023	GALLIERS DAIRY - milk-in-school	312.50
03/04/2023	LDC STORES - cleaning materials	63.66
03/04/2023	PARKING CHARGES - submitting councillor nomination forms to Solihull MBC	2.70
04/04/2023	HMRC - inland revenue p.a.y.e.	1010.49
05/04/2023	ZURICH INSURANCE	2348.18
06/04/2023	BRITISH TELECOM - 2 x broadband, 2 x telephone	121.46
06/04/2023	NEST PENSIONS	37.29
06/04/2023	CITRON HYGIENE - sanitary disposal	677.83
10/04/2023	HSBC - bank charges	8.00
11/04/2023	POST OFFICE - stamps	8.80
12/04/2023	JAK WATER SYSTEMS - repair to sauna	70.80
12/04/2023	SPAR - AA batteries for blood pressure machine	5.19
13/04/2023	NEST PENSIONS	24.52
13/04/2023	POST OFFICE - stamps	8.80
17/04/2023	W/MIDLANDS PENSION SCHEME	440.17

b.) Bank Reconciliation

It was **RECOMMENDED:** That the bank reconciliation as at 31st March 2023 be accepted.

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10. Reports From Outside Bodies.

There were no reports presented.

11. Members Requests at the Chairman's Discretion.

There were no requests submitted.

12. Dates of the Next Meeting

It was **RESOLVED:** That the dates for the next meetings are as follows:

Finance and General Purposes Committee Meeting: Room 101 Tuesday 2nd May 2023 at 4.30pm.

Full Council Meeting: Room 102 Monday 15th May 2023 at 4.30pm.

13. Exclusion of Public and Press.

It was **RESOLVED:** That in accordance with Schedule 12a of the Local Government Act 1972, the public and press be excluded from the following Agenda item: Private Section of Minutes.

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