Sandridge Parish Council



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To: Councillors Graham Leonard (Chair), June Reid, John Hale, Jennifer Roberts, Adam Twidell, James Lambert, Julie Oakley, Maurice Wells, Carol Chalkley, Mary Ternouth, Rehana Ahmed, Debbie Chachulski, Mike White, Luke Sieger

You are summoned to attend a meeting of Sandridge Parish Council, to be held at Marshalswick Community Centre on Wednesday 12th July 2023 at 7.30pm

Simon Thwaites
Parish Clerk

Members of the public and press are invited to attend this meeting. Questions or concerns may be submitted to the Clerk in advance of the meeting via email using clerk@sandridge-pc.gov.uk or by post, address as above.

AGENDA

- 1. TO RECEIVE AND FORMALLY ACCEPT APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE
- 2. DISCLOSURES OF INTEREST AND DISPENSATIONS
 - a) To receive declarations of interest from councillors on items on the agenda
 - b) To receive written requests for dispensations for declarable interests; and
 - c) To grant any requests for dispensation as appropriate

3. TO APPROVE AS A CORRECT RECORD THE MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE PARISH COUNCIL HELD ON THE 14th JUNE 2023

4. QUESTIONS TO OFFICERS

5. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION – AN OPPORTUNITY FOR RESIDENTS TO RAISE ISSUES OR ASK MEMBERS QUESTIONS

CLERK'S REPORTS

6. Monthly Accounts

Please find attached a schedule of creditor payments for the period 15th June 2023 to 12th July 2023. It is:

Recommended

That this schedule is approved for payment on 14th July 2023.

7. Terms of Reference – committee amendments for ratification by Full Council

The Council is asked to ratify the amendments below as agreed by various committees;

- Finance Committee: Annual election of a Vice Chair.
- **Jersey Farm Woodland Park Committee**: Increase membership from five to six parish councillors.
- Planning Committee: The Committee to consist of eight members drawn from across the
 parish. The Chair to seek agreement from the members of the committee to cancel a planned
 meeting. Where the planning authority's rules permit and in accordance with those rules, the
 committee to initiate or support the call in of an application on behalf of Sandridge Parish
 Council.

8. Matters of Note

- Councillor Twidell has received instruction in loading, unloading and operating the new Kubota tractor and has undertaken to carry out some of the footpath cuts on the Woodland Park in future.
- The Parish Council hosted the St Albans District Association of Local Councils (SADALC) meeting on July 3rd.
- The Sports and Recreation Committee is looking to recruit 'Park Rangers', ready to commit to weekly, monthly or bi-annual tasks at a preferred location in support of the committee and to assist those interested in achieving their Duke of Edinburgh award. It is hoped by the committee that more involvement from local people will lead to a greater sense of stewardship in future.

COUNCILLOR AND COMMITTEE REPORTS

9. Grant Applications

 Hornbeam Wood Hedgehog Sanctuary (an electronic copy of the Hornbeam Sanctuary Statement of Financial Activities was sent to Members on 6th July 2023)

Note: Spend to date this year is £6,900 (budget £20,000)

10. Skate Ramp

A verbal report by Councillor Twidell on an initiative to involve local young people in an exciting art project on the Jersey Farm Open Space with street artist Ant Steel. This is part of a wider project by the Sports and Recreation Committee to engage with all residents using or living close to recreational spaces. Attached are examples of Ant's work elsewhere in the city.

11. Cycle Parking in the Parish

Please see attached a report and proposal from Councillor Wells to improve cycle parking and so encourage bike use in the parish.

12. Sale of Land Adjacent to Jersey Farm Woodland Park

The Council has become aware that the land adjacent to Jersey Farm Woodland Park has been put up for sale – see attached link:

https://www.rightmove.co.uk/commercial-property-for-sale/property-

136946096.html?utm_medium=email&utm_source=emailupdatesnew&utm_campaign=emailupdatesinstant&utm_term=buying&onetime_FromEmail=true&sc_id=41805374&utm_content=v2-ealertspropertyimage

The Council to decide what action to take.

13. SADALC and HAPTC

A verbal report by Councillor Hale on the meetings of SADALC and HAPTC.

14. Meetings of Committees:

- Sports & Recreation Committee 21st June 2023
- Jersey Farm Woodland Park 3rd July 2023
- Planning Committee see below

15. MATTERS OF NOTE ARISING SINCE THE CIRCULATION OF THE AGENDA

The Council may not make decisions under this item

16. PLANNING MATTERS

The Planning Committee met on 3rd July 2023.

Sandridge Parish Council's Planning Committee meets every three weeks to review and respond to planning applications received from the Planning Authority, St. Albans District Council. Planning applications commented on since the last Full Council meeting are;

Plot 107 Land Adjacent Bridge Cottages, Sandridgebury Lane, St Albans – Planning Application 5/2023/1059

Please note: Planning applications received at the Parish Office from the Planning Authority *after* the Parish Council agenda has been published may also be discussed at the meeting as may applications of complexity or applications likely to impact heavily on the Green Belt.

Note: The Planning Committee now meet on Mondays.

17. SUGGESTIONS AND/OR MATTERS FOR CONSIDERATION AT FUTURE MEETINGS

Note: In accordance with the Local Government Act 1972, the Parish Council meeting will be open to the Public unless the Parish Council resolves otherwise

Next meeting date – 13th September 2023 at 7.30pm – Marshalswick Community Centre