

**SEAVINGTON ST MARY/MICHAEL PARISH COUNCIL
MINUTES OF THE 484th PARISH COUNCIL MEETING
HELD VIA ZOOM UNDER COVID-19 RESTRICTIONS**

3191.ATTENDANCE AND APOLOGIES

PRESENT

Mr N Loxton - Chair

Mrs J Ash

Mr A Doble

Mrs E Edwards

Mr N England

Mrs P Parsons

Adam Dance – County and District Councillor

Crispin Raikes – District Councillor

APOLOGIES

Mr C Reyland

3192. PUBLIC QUESTION TIME – No members of the public present

3193.PLANNING APPLICATIONS –

20/01232/REM – Landscaping re Outline Planning for 8 houses top of Upton Lane – No further progress

20/02098/HOU – Building erected west of Dove Cottage – approved

20/03134/HOU and 20/03135/LBC – Replacement windows at Swan Thatch. Councillors unanimously agreed to support this application as the windows are in urgent need of replacement

18/02609/FUL – Kingstone Parish – Erection of buildings re carnival floats. Further objections sent following both SSDC and SSC issuing “Green Policies”. Information has been received that indicates the application will not be going to an Area West meeting before February 2021.

2 Southernaways – still awaiting information from SSDC Planner as to how the issue of the wooden fence and 5-bar gate is to be resolved. These were erected without planning permission which should have been obtained as they form part of the curtilage of a listed building.

Councillor Doble advised that his parents are about to submit a planning application – Interest noted.

3194.REPORT FROM COUNTY/DISTRICT COUNCILLOR’S

AD – County – At a recent meeting of full Council a proposal from the Governing Party was carried for a letter to be sent to the Secretary of State to extend the date of the planned 2021 Council elections.

CR – District – Stronger Somerset proposal was agreed and has been sent to the Minister. [As has One Somerset – lodged by the County Council]. Unsure how either of these bids will go as BAINS and NE Somerset are not included in either of the proposals as had been suggested by Central Government.

District agreed to buy Yeovil Town Football Club ground. This will be leased back to the Club, earning the SSDC an income from the investment. The Club will have the right to buy back should funds be available in the future. The purchase does fit in with the SSDC’s investment plans.

3195. MINUTES OF THE 483rd MEETING DATED 17TH NOVEMBER 2020 WERE AGREED - These Minutes will be signed when Covid-19 restrictions allow

3196. SID – Reading from the Falcon Close site indicates that speeding is still an issue along the C5021. Councillor Dance agreed to contact Traffic Management to see how the issue can be progressed.

The SID is now sited in Water Street facing north.

The second SID, which has been partly funded by the CLT, is due for delivery later this week and will be installed initially to the west of Falcon Close.

3197.HIGHWAYS ISSUES –

Road in front of Falcon Close [Planning Consent for a footway] – Still no news as to when SSDC will take Enforcement on the Developer to complete these works.

Pavement to west of Village Car Park – Has been marked by Highways, but it would seem that the owner of the adjacent property where the fence has been moved is not willing to put the fence panel back in its original position and it is this that has caused the dangerous hole between the edge of the pavement and their property.

3198.RANGER SCHEME – All seems to be going fine. Concentrating on drains and leaf clearing at moment.

3199. VILLAGE FOOTPATHS – Letter has been sent to landowner of Meade Farm concerning footpath issues and loose dogs. No response yet. Tenant to be contacted to see if they have been informed. Some remedial works to be carried out on footpaths during the winter months by our Foot Paths Officer.

3200. VILLAGE CAR PARK – Enforcement notes will be put on vehicles not observing posted rules. SSDC can be approached to carry out enforcement if problems remain.

3201. SPFA - It has been noted that the current SPFA Trustees [only 3 in number] are wishing to step down by the end of March 2021.. Investigations have been made and it is possible for the Parish Council to become the Sole Trustee of the Charity. This means that there will be no transfer of assets out of village control. After discussion it was agreed unanimously that this was the way forward. However, clarification is needed regarding the Millennium Hall. The Community Shop is also investigating ways in which the Hall could be managed by them.

3202. COMMUNITY SHOP - Footfall has decreased over the past few months and the cafe is not as busy as usual due to Covid-19 restrictions. New Chillers are in the process of being ordered.

3203.SEAINGTONS NEWS – No further up-date on a new Editor

3204. WEB-SITE UP-DATE – Councillor Doble is working with Eugene and a resident re moving the village web-site onto a new platform. Hopeful that this will be completed in early 2021.

3205.OTHER MATTERS OF REPORT - None

3206. ACCOUNTS

(a) **Balances** Current A/c - £6191.13 [SALC cheque for £145.13 no presented] Business Reserve £16,888.22

(b) **Payment requests** – SSDC Ranger Scheme - £821.40.

(c) **Precept for 2021- 2022** – Further discussions to be had at January meeting after further meetings to discuss the situation regarding the SPFA.

3207. DATE OF NEXT MEETING – Tuesday 19th January 2021 [By Zoom Link] which will be posted on village web-site.

Meeting closed at 8.30pm.

Signed

Date