## **SUTTON WEAVER PARISH COUNCIL**

## Minutes of Sutton Weaver Parish Council meeting held on Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> March at 7 p.m. at St Peter's Church Hall, Sutton Weaver

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Present	Cllr Jacky Hancock – Acting Chair (JH) Cllr Tony Spencer (TS)	
	Cllr Simon Richards (SR) Cllr Rob Hancock (RH) Cllr Gerry Jemitus (GJ) Cllr Hannah Bullock (HB) 6 Members of the Public (MOP)	
	Clerk-T Whitlow (TW)	
	3 representatives from Hynet PC Steve Harrison	
23/177	Apologies for Absence were received from:	
	Cllr Brian Starkey -Chair (BS) Ward Cllr's Phil Marshall (PM)	
23/178	Declarations of Members' Interests: None	
23/179	Minutes: Minutes of the Parish Council meeting on Wednesday 7 February 2024 were approved as a true and accurate record and signed by the chair.	
23/180	Hynet Presentation:	
	Regarding the Runcorn Carbon Dioxide Spur Pipeline Proposed Development. that would connect the Viridor Carbon Capture Storage (CSS) plant to the Ince Above Ground Installation (AGI), which forms part of the HyNet Carbon Dioxide Pipeline (DCO). The Proposed Development would connect to the HyNet Carbon Dioxide Pipeline, a Nationally Significant Infrastructure Project subject to a Development Consent Order (DCO). The HyNet Carbon Dioxide Pipeline DCO application was submitted to the Planning Inspectorate in October 2022, and is currently in the determination stage, with a decision by the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero due in March 2024	
23/181	Update from council on the CWAC CEO/Head of Highways meeting: 3 councillors attended a recent meeting at Wincham with the CWAC CEO and Head of Highways.	
	All were impressed with the meeting and concluded they felt it had been worthwhile on both sides, Items covered were Highways, potholes in particular, Adult/Social Care being a main subject as these costs are ever increasing, making up 50% of the CWAC budget., amongst others. SWPC presented a power point regarding the speed on the A56, which they were assured would be looked in to.  Head of highways assured SWPC that priority would be given to the A56 proposal.	
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23/182	Police Update: PC Steve Harrison who has been conducting speed checks in the area, even though it is strictly not his designated area advised that a number of speeding motorists on Chester Road did actually live in the village, so speeding is not just motorists passing through. He will continue to monitor the speed on Chester Road when he has the availability. He discussed the Fatal 5 – Drink-Carelessness-Mobile Phones-Seatbelts-Speed and the 'Operation Park Safe.' He reiterated that the police are powerless to enforce parking on footpaths unless there is no space for a wheelchair to safely pass. Encouraged MOP to report issues on line.	
23/183	Ward Councillor Update:  No ward councillors present – no report received.	

23/184	Matters arising / Actions from Previous Minutes -if not covered by an agenda item: None	
23/185	Public Participation: Items noted: MOP spoke with both the Police and the Hynet representatives.	
23/186	<ol> <li>Playground Re-development:</li> <li>TW has contacted the architect to chase the contractors for re-seeding and remaining groundworks.</li> <li>TW has received estimates for the repair works to the toddler play equipment, can not quote as cost will depend on amount of materials used, which until work starts can't be identified. Labour cost approx. £375-£450, and materials approx. £250.Resolved to accept these estimates. TW to instruct contractor to carry out the work.</li> <li>TW has had 2 quotes for the painting of the original equipment, Resolved to go with contractor who can complete early at £450 plus the specialist paint. TW to instruct.</li> <li>TW has obtained prices for the replacement of the existing swing seats and toddler rocker. Resolved to replace these. TW to order from Playdale cost @ £3k.</li> <li>The above costs to come from the remaining budget for the playground redevelopment.</li> <li>TW to organise the RoSPA inspection of the existing equipment.</li> <li>TW to order the new bench (Members Budget received)</li> <li>TW to order the new bin (Members Budget received)</li> <li>It is hoped that the playground can be opened at the end of March, depending on the above works schedule.</li> </ol>	TW TW TW TW TW
23/187	Members Budgets:  TW confirmed that the PC have received the following members budgets:  1. £248 for speed watch equipment  2. £375 to replace the burnt-out bin in the playground.  3. £1006 for a new wheelchair/mobility aid friendly bench for the playground.	
23/188	<ol> <li>Speed A56:</li> <li>Hand Held Speed Devie: Deferred until the next meeting in light of the new equipment available, that PC Harrison is checking whether Cheshire Police will support. – Also only 2 MOP present who would use the speed gun, requirement is 3 people – MOP present agreed the new equipment would be more advantageous.</li> <li>Speed through the village: The consensus from the petition for changing the speed limit through Sutton Weaver was that people would prefer to see the present speed limits enforced, with more support to change the speed limit on entering the village from Murdishaw roundabout, rather than exiting towards Frodsham.</li> </ol>	TW
23/189	<ol> <li>Volunteering Groups:</li> <li>Sutton Weaver Residents Community Group: Planning an Easter Egg Hunt. PC thanked the volunteers for helping with the speed reduction petition.</li> <li>Playground gate volunteers: PC to inform the volunteers of the re-opening date of the playground as soon as this is decided.</li> </ol>	
23/190	Neighbourhood (Development)Plan.	

	Following the information supplied to the PC by TW, it was <b>Resolved</b> not to further the NDP as not enough volunteers, skill sets or finance to embark on this.	
23/191	Website/Email: Website: following discussions last month the PC Resolved to instruct a company to build a new SWPC website. This has been actioned and partially built. Will be operational before the end of the month.	
23/192	<b>Correspondence:</b> Cllr Simon Richards informed the PC that he was resigning as a councillor. JH thanked SR for all his work over the years. SR to put his resignation in writing to the clerk.	
23/193	Planning: No planning applications received.	
23/194	<ul> <li>Accounts/Financial:</li> <li>Cash book 29.02.24 approved and signed by the chair.</li> <li>Bank reconciliation 29.02.24 approved &amp; signed by the chair.</li> <li>The PC now have access to online banking.</li> <li>Receipts up to 29.02.24 VAT refunded £7392.87</li> <li>Payments authorised: <ul> <li>Chalc – training course £25</li> <li>JKE – website deposit £112.50</li> <li>Clerk expenses x 2 months £89.71</li> <li>March Payroll.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	
23/195	<ul> <li>Items for Next Agenda</li> <li>Playground update</li> <li>Volunteering Groups</li> <li>A56 speed</li> <li>Handheld speed device/speed watch</li> </ul>	
23/196	Date of Next meeting: Wednesday 3 <sup>rd</sup> April 2024 7. p.m.	

The meeting closed at 8.35pm

Signed:

Date