

**MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON
TUESDAY 19th July 2022.
HELD AT BARROW UPON TRENT VILLAGE HALL, TWYFORD ROAD, BARROW UPON
TRENT AT 7.00PM.**

Present

Cllr Heathcote Chairman
Cllr Toni Kent-Chapman
Cllr Michelle Gardiner
Clerk

Members of the Public 3

Apologies: Cllr Peter Watson, Cllr Neil Atkin, A G Eley

Public Participation

A member of the public passed on thanks for the clearing of the footpath leaving the village towards Swarkestone on the right hand side. They also reported a lot of dumped road signs in the hedge bottom on Sinfin Lane, these will be collected and put in the pinfold for safety.

A member of the public asked if the Bus Shelter would be replaced, and the answer given by SDDC was no.

A member of the public informed the meeting that the numbers of children using the bus service from Barrow to Chellaston School is fast declining and it doesn't look very promising for the future of the service unless numbers increase. The Parishioner offered to keep the meeting updated to any further developments.

Dist. Councillor Dan Corbin, had forwarded his report prior to the meeting:

Aston Ward – SDDC Parish Council Report – July 2022 – Cllr Dan Corbin, Cllr Neil Atkin

River Access

As we are in the hot weather, even post Tuesday 19th July when the weather cools down but is still warm, it would be sensible where we can send/post reminders to residents particularly for younger residents about the dangers of accessing the local rivers. With cold water shock, fast flowing water, debris in rivers, currents etc. This issue may be particularly pertinent in Barrow where younger residents have been known to access the Trent with sadly devastating consequences.

Leisure Provision/Facilities

The Council have launched a survey/questionnaire on their website about Leisure Provision/Facilities in South Derbyshire. This covers all types of leisure from the existing two leisure centres at Etwall and Swadlincote, to the Melbourne Sporting Partnership to other recreation areas. I would encourage all residents and parishes to log into the website and complete this survey. This is based on my desire to build better leisure facilities for the Aston Ward and the NE of the SD district. I will ascertain the direct link to this on the website and distribute amongst the parish clerks as soon as I have it.

Mobile Phone Signal across Aston Ward

This matter is a long standing one and one highlighted to me by the residents of the Aston Parish. I have requested the matter is called into the SDDC Overview & Scrutiny committee trying to get relevant people to the table from the providers to tackle this issue. As yet we are awaiting confirmation of this call in and getting providers to the table. In the meantime I would encourage all Aston Ward residents to contact their providers to continually log their issues and dissatisfaction. I would then ask all parishes to host an unmanned email address that residents can register their issues and responses into for if and when the information is needed by the Cllrs for any O&S committee meeting where we will need an evidence base to make the case to the relevant providers. Matter is ongoing

Electric Charging points

With the drive towards electric vehicles in the UK many residents are keen to explore vehicle charging point options. Electric vehicles in the UK will be mostly home charged in the future one imagines. I know a number of electric vehicle owners have this option currently. Beyond that there is the issue of homes with no off street parking and where they could charge. Firstly this is a bigger issue than just the council and needs the country via government but also private providers such as shell, BP and car manufacturers to move in this direction. Currently Tesla have a sizeable nationwide charging presence, but this is not always matched by others. Many petrol stations are still Diesel and Petrol fuels only with no EV charging facilities.

The Council's Climate and Environment Officer who is co-ordinating the Council's roll out of EV Charging infrastructure and he has provided the following information which I hope you find useful.

The UK Government does have a policy paper which sets out the vision and action plan for electric vehicle (EV) charging infrastructure within the UK – link shown here:

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/uk-electric-vehicle-infrastructure-strategy>

As mentioned, home charging is most likely to be the most frequently used ways and default way of charging EV's in the future and the priority around this will be for those of the EV travelling public who do not have access to off-street parking.

The UK Government has set up funding streams to support local authorities to deliver this and South Derbyshire District Council (SDDC) is focussed on providing accessible and public charge-points wherever residents live and especially for those without access to off-street parking.

By the end of this month the Council will have installed 42 EV charge points across the District in Council owned car parks that are in areas where there is high density of residents who do not have off-street parking.

The next stage is to look at other areas throughout the district, such as Shardlow Wilne Lane Car Park, where we can continue to increase coverage in areas where off-street parking is limited.

Over the next two weeks the council will be finalising the process of putting together SDDC's next phase with potential parish council car parks that could be used for EV Installations. This next phase of car parks would then go to the EV charge point operators to calculate the cost/benefit analysis and to the Energy Savings Trust (EST) to understand if the UK Government funding is applicable and relevant for the selected car parks.

Wilne Lane car park, mentioned above, is currently not part of this next phase (although Aston on Trent is). However, prior to submission, the council will do a desk top study and explore whether the Wilne Lane car park in Shardlow and other suitable sites fit and meet the caveats of the UK Government funding applications and if the analysis does look favourable it can be potentially included, subject to consideration by District Councillors and the relevant Parish Council.

SDDC Summer Activities

Summer Play Scheme booklet delivery

Around 14000 booklets have been delivered to all schools within the South Derbyshire District. The Play scheme kicks off the first day of delivery on Monday 25 July @Eureka Park 1-4pm. The Play Mobile, Adventure Mobile and Sports Mobile will all be in action. All sessions are free. The leaflet can be downloaded by visiting [Summer Play Scheme](#). Information has been sent on email to all parish clerks for this.

SWAD Summer of Skate

The Team has partnered with Team Rubicon to provide skateboard coaching to children aged 5+. The five sessions will take place at Swadlincote Skate Park DE11 8EG. The sessions are free, and no prior booking is

needed. Equipment is available to borrow. The sessions will culminate in a one off talent pathway skate Jam on 30 August from 10am until 3pm. Information has been sent on email to all parish clerks for this.

SDDC Webpage to Improve Domestic Fuel Efficiency and Combat Fuel Poverty

The Council has produced a webpage which aims to provide a one stop shop for residents to improve domestic energy efficiency and combat the escalating risk of fuel poverty.

The domestic energy efficiency website is aimed at all types of households – owner occupiers, social housing tenants and private sector tenants: <https://www.southderbyshire.gov.uk/our-services/housing/domestic-energy-efficiency>

There is already a huge amount of advice and support available, both locally and nationally, so the site has tried to bring all of this together in one place to allow anybody in South Derbyshire to access services and resources which fit their need – whether they are in financial crisis due to fuel costs, or they can afford to invest in their homes.

- The site firstly explains how residents can understand the existing energy efficiency of the property they are living in.
- It then provides links to sources of information about reducing energy for nil or minimal cost.
- For those who can afford to improve their property, it provides links to sources of information about the best energy efficiency measures to invest in.
- Finally, it provides links to all the local and national sources of grants and financial support which are currently available.

The content of the website will need to change in response to changing need, therefore, the any feedback or suggestions would be welcome and can be addressed to environmental.health@southderbyshire.gov.uk

Wildlife camera project – Fly tipping and other issues

It was good to receive an update from the clerk of the Aston, Elvaston and Shardlow Parishes that this project for these 4 parishes plus Weston has progressed. With the cameras on order and placement and usage agreed and sorted with SDDC and amongst the 4 parishes. I look forward to hopefully positive results in further reducing fly tipping across the ward and other issues such as those found/experienced by the lengths-man at Elvaston Parish.

Bins, refuse and recycling collection

For week commencing 18th July the council have requested that bins are placed out by residents the night prior to collection due to rounds being moved to earlier time slots for the week due to the heat wave to get workers out of the extreme temperatures later in the day. Please can this information be shared to residents by parishes

SWARKESTONE PARISH (CHELLASTON)

Eagle Drive ‘S Bend’ - Chellaston

I am in dialogue with Highways and planning about the issue the narrow/tight bend and position into the bend of a house causes in terms of blind spots and drivers meeting as they pass round the bend. I am awaiting an update from the head of planning at this stage. Currently not a matter for highways as the estate is not adopted.

BARROW/SWARKESTONE

Governance

The governance matter around infinity garden village persists. The solutions that I am exploring are not yet proving fruitful. As of yet we have no identified residents from the Chellaston or Swarkestone areas of the

Swarkestone Parish who may wish to take up a Parish Council and therefore explore Infinity Garden Village moving from the Barrow to Swarkestone Parish Boundaries. At this stage we cannot redraw the boundaries as good governance at the moment is to ensure IGV remains part of the active Barrow Parish. It would be good in general beyond this to explore the Swarkestone Parish reviving parish meetings/moving towards parish council anyway due to the number of residents now in the parish due to the Chellaston expansion sites. The resident who did reach out on this matter has gone quiet and this option now appears to be closed with that resident. The matter is ongoing.

BARROW

Canal Bridge

The issue of the recently repaired and now once again damaged canal bridge on Deepdale Lane is now with DCC and Highways for repairs and other measures via Cllr Atkin. On that front there is nothing SDDC can do.

However as the damage is down to seeming large and inappropriate trucks/lorries/vehicles for Deepdale Lane Gaynor Richards (SDDC Planning Enforcement) has asked the developers at Derby City IGV not to allow traffic to take that route and reminded them of the traffic routing requirements.

I have also requested that this request and reminder is put to the quarry also for traffic from there in case it is their trucks and lorries causing this damage.

Gaynor has also been requested with the development sites such as Derby City IGV site to look into whether the "No construction traffic beyond this point" signs by developers are up; and if not to request they are put in place.

I am awaiting further update on the outcome of this matter.

Cllr Corbin added that he has not given up in trying to find people to start a PC in Swarkestone. The Canal Bridge is still causing concern, and this has been brought to the attention of Gaynor Richards at SDDC who the enforcement officer and Cllr Atkin is had raised the issue at DCC Highways and Richard Handbury was also looking into a solution.

101/2022 Declaration of Members Interests

Cllr Heathcote, planning application listed under correspondence, pecuniary interest.

102/2022 Confirmation of the Non-Exempt Minutes of the last Meeting held 7th June 2022

These were read and approved and signed.

103/2022 Items on Part 1 of the agenda to be taken with the public excluded.

None

Apologies Received

Cllr Blackmore

104/2022 The Chairman's Report

The Chairman reported that she had received a report regarding the flood warden this would be passed on to a parishioner who had previously expressed an interest in the role. The Environment Agency are in the last stages of producing the updated flood maps and these have been approved as being correct.

There had been reports of fires in the village and the police had been involved.

Graffiti had been removed at the community Park by the Parish Lengthsman.

There had been reported thefts of Catalytic convertors in the village.

A Parishioner had requested a rubbish bin on green lane.

A Parishioner had reported problems with loosed dogs at Greenacres causing a problem.

105/2022 Clerks Report

The Clerk reported that she had met with 3 different families at the cemetery, 1st family purchased 2 ashes plots, 2nd family have gone away with paperwork, 3rd family yet to get back in touch. All live in the village or meet the criteria as having very close connections to the village. There had been 1 Burial last week and there was to be 1 Ashes burial earlier this week. Works to village from last meeting all actioned, all cottage problems sorted. Reported all correspondence re Canal bridge 16 and all other correspondence had been actioned.

106/2022 Reports from representatives on Outside bodies

Cllr Gardiner had attended the Area forum meeting and raised our concerns over bridge 16 and discussed at length possible solutions with Cllr Corbin. Cllr Gardiner also raised the point that SDDC offices seemed unmaned and employees were very difficult to get hold of. She was reassured that all employees were now returning to the offices so things should improve.

107/2022 Future Meetings

There is a Parish Liaison meeting at Matlock on Tuesday 26th July the Clerk may attend.

108/2022 Planning Applications and Decisions

None

109/2022 Correspondence

Information Only

1	Area forum poster
2	Bin collection information
3	Missing padlock at Susie Dixon Park
4	Community Survey
5	Notice Board
6	Severn Trent Community fund information

Requiring Action

1	Allotment request
2	Canal bridge 16 damage and solutions
3	Winter Planter Quote
4	Planning Application for the felling and pruning of trees at 9 Manor court, Church Lane, Barrow-on-Trent,

1. This was agreed by the Parish Council
2. All correspondence has been circulated
3. This was discussed and the Clerk was asked to look into the cost of purchasing the planters outright and asking residents if they would like to plant them up.
4. This application came in after the agenda was published. The chairman did not take part in discussions. There were no objections to this application.

110/2022 Finance

Invoices for Payment

A) See attached sheet

* - Where there is more than one entry to a payee, all invoices will be paid on one cheque. It was agreed that all invoices were correct, and it was resolved to pay them.

B) Income Received

a) Cottages	£2675.00
b) Cottage deposits, S Harding, J Harding & C Wilson	£1125.00
c) 2 nd half of precept	£5953.50
d) Cemetery sale of 2 ashes plots and 1 transfer of E. rights.	£1585.00
Total	£11338.50

111/2022 Parish News

Next edition will be late September to include comments about dog waste and dogs on leads.

112/2022 Risk Assessment

Done by Cllr Kent-Chapman & Cllr Gardiner it was noted that the Cemetery Bench needed a scrub.

113/2022 Greenacres & Green Lane.

Nothing to report. It was requested that we ask the local fire safety team for signs to go at Greenacres relating to swimming and no fires/BBQ's

114/2022 Susie Dixon Park & Village Hall Carpark.

The clerk will ask A Hyde's to remove the piece of equipment that has appeared in the park. He will also be asked to trim the hedge.

115/2022 Small Play Park & Allotments

Small Play Park fine, allotments full but 1 will be coming vacant later in the year.

116/2022 Cemetery

All in order.

An application for a headstone had been received, this was approved, and the clerk will contact the stone mason.

117/2022 Parish Cottages

The Tenant in 16A has moved to No18. works completed then on moving inn shower was leaking. And Boiler had a broken expansion joint. All now fixed. 16a was left in great condition.

Prospective tenants have looked at 14 and 16a and will be moving in mid-August. All Passed credit checks, reference checks and deposits paid and transferred.

Work to 14 has commenced bathroom fully removed, raised grassed area to back also gone. Lino for kitchen and bathroom ordered and fitting date booked. Painter booked and colours chosen.

118/2022 Infinity Garden Village & Parish Boundary.

Nothing more to add.

119/2022 Parish Matters

a) Arleston & Merrybower

Nothing to report

b) Annual Footpath Checks

Footpaths 1,3 & 8 will be checked by Cllr Kent-Chapman & Cllr Gardiner

Footpath 4 & 5 will be done by Mr Nick Harpur

Footpath 7 will be done by Cllr Heathcote

c) Canal Bridge 16

Nothing more to add to earlier discussions.

e) Dog waste bags and Bins in the Parish

A Parishioner asked if the PC would consider installing Dog Waste Bag points in the village as they had seen this in other villages. This was discussed at length and although they thought it a good idea, they didn't think it would work in Barrow due to the potential for them being emptied all over the place and making more mess. A Parishioner had requested the installation of a Bin on Green Lane, historically there was one, but it had been stolen a number of years ago and never replaced. It was resolved to get a new one, the clerk will contact waste and cleansing and organise this.

120/2022 Agenda items for the next meeting.

All councillors were asked to inform the Clerk if they have anything they wish to add.

121/2022 Date and time of the next meeting

The next Parish Council Meeting is on Tuesday 6th September 2022 at 7p.m. to be held at the Village Hall

The Chairman closed the formal part of the meeting and opened the floor for a period of not more than five minutes per person to enable members of the public and Members of the Council to Comment on any matter that has been discussed by the Council in the Non Exempt Section of the meeting today.

It was RESOLVED that, in accordance with Section 100(A)(4) of the Local Government Act 1972 (as amended), the press and public be excluded from the remainder of the meeting for the following items of business on the grounds that they involve the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined under the paragraphs of Part I of Schedule 12A of the Act.

The Chairman thanked everyone for attending the meeting and the Non Exempt section of the meeting was closed at 8.30pm

Signed:

Chairman/Vice Chairman

Date: 6th September 2022

PART TWO - EXEMPT ITEMS

122/2022 Confirmation of the Exempt Minutes of the last Meeting

These were signed as true and correct.

123/2022 Parish Cottages

An application to join the waiting list had been received this was discussed and the applicant will be added to the waiting list.

The Chairman thanked everyone for attending the meeting and the Exempt section of the meeting was closed at 8.40pm

Signed:

Chairman/Vice Chairman

Date: 6th September 2022

Invoices paid before or at before 19th July 2022 Meeting

1	Octopus Energy	Utilities to No 18	207.71		
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2	A Hicklin	Salary	1001.70		
3	Kevin Stokes	June Salary	200.00		
4	HMRC	NI & PAYE	467.32		
5	Deposit Protection Service	No 14 Deposit S Harding	475.00		
6	Deposit protection Service	No 18 Charlotte Wilson	300.00		
7	Deposit Protection Service	No 16a James Harding	350.00		
8	Astra Carpets	New flooring for No 14	261.18		
9	JMC Plumbing	Work to cottages GAS SAFETY CERYS	495.00		
10	Chellaston Decorators	Painting at No 18	530.00		
11	Turfworks Ground care	June Grounds works	1144.20		
12	JMC Gas & Plumbing	Fix boiler no 18	260.00		
13	JMC Gas & Plumbing	Fix Shower no 18	45.00		
		TOTAL	£5737.11		



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		TOTAL	£10,694.89		
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