

**SILVERTONE PARISH COUNCIL  
MINUTES OF MEETING OF THE COUNCIL HELD ON MONDAY 10<sup>TH</sup> FEBRUARY 2020 IN THE  
METHJODIST CHURCH ROOM AT 8PM.**

**PRESENT:** Cllrs J. Laband (Chair), D. Bambridge, J. Rudland and Cllrs Mrs C. Tosh, K. Fanning, S. Cann, S. Williams and M.J. Branch

1	<b>APOLOGIES</b> were received and accepted from Cllr Woolford (work commitment). Cllr Mrs Webb was absent from the meeting.																																																											
2	<b>CHAIRMAN'S ANNOUNCEMENTS</b> were noted.																																																											
3	No <b>DISPENSATION REQUESTS</b> had been received. ii) No <b>DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST</b> were made. iii) Members were reminded of the requirement to update <b>REGISTER OF INTEREST DETAILS</b> within 28 days of any change.																																																											
4	It was <b>RESOLVED</b> that the Minutes of the Meeting held on 13 <sup>th</sup> January 2020 having been previously circulated, be signed as a true record in line with Standing Orders.																																																											
5	<b>PUBLIC TIME</b> – A resident raised concerns about vehicles parking on Whittlebury Road close to the junction with The Slade highlighting visibility issues. The Clerk would contact the Police in this regard. Cllr Bambridge as <b>DISTRICT COUNCILLOR</b> reported on traveller problems in the layby adjacent to Shacks Barn Farm. The Police were aware. He advised that an article would be in the next SNC Review from Danny Moody on elections. The Structural Change order was now progressing through Parliament. The SNC Cabinet had that evening agreed a new Grant Funding Policy. Milton Keynes Council had published an MK Futures 2050 document which could have a knock on effect on some villages in the District. The Brackley Community Hospital position was updated. He was thanked for his report.																																																											
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**REPORTS – i) PLANNING COMMITTEE – a)** Cllr Mrs Tosh reported on the applications going forward to SNC following the earlier meeting of the Planning Committee.

b) Cllr Mrs Tosh advised that a meeting of the Neighbourhood Plan Working Party was due to be held later in the week.

iii) **SRA – a)** In the absence of Cllr Woolford there was no report on the latest Management Committee meeting. Nick Ashby advised that he had now removed three dams from the brook.

b) It was **RESOLVED** that a submission for re-registration of the Church Street land as an asset of Community Value be sent to SNC.

c) Consideration was given to the status of the Leisure Enhancement Committee and it was **RESOLVED** that this be considered at the May Annual Meeting of the Council along with all other Committee appointments.

iv) a) There was no report from the **PARISH PATH WARDEN** this month.

b) An issue reported to the Clerk regarding a fallen tree on Pyghtle would be followed up.

c) It was confirmed that NCC Rights of Way were happy for Anthony Thompson to remain in post as Parish Path Warden.

v) **HIGHWAYS a)** The condition of the whole of the A413 throughout the village would be reported. The VAS at the entrance to the village by the school was still not working despite having been reported on more than one occasion. This would again be highlighted.

The end of lane sign on the corner of High Street was still pointing in the wrong direction.

b) Update was given on previously reported issues.

c) Licenses for the planned CCTV cameras had been applied for and were constantly being followed up but so far had not been received.

d) Following contact from a resident of the Slade regarding the position created by the installation of the footpath/cycleway on the A413, the response from Highways would be reported back to him.

The Highways Officer appeared to be under a misunderstanding that the cycleway was completed whilst the section on Towcester Road close to the junction with Whittlebury Road still needs to be finished. This would be highlighted to the Officer.

e) Cllr Mrs Tosh updated the meeting in regard to concerns about the surface around the War Memorial.

Quotations had been sought but only one received which was considered to be excessive for work on an area of private land. Cllr Bambridge undertook to make further investigations.

f) Further investigations were needed into ownership of the wall at the bottom of Whittlebury Road opposite the Doctor's Surgery where water was now actually coming through the wall which, along with water from the spring, was causing a serious highway issue especially in adverse weather.

g) Responses from MEPC and Silverstone Circuit following earlier contact by the Council were noted.

vi) **LIGHTS – a)** No faulty lights were reported.

vi) **PLAY AREAS - a)** Church Street - All in order but the toddler hard surface area needed sweeping. The village handyman would be asked to look at this.

b) Old Oak was all in order.

vii) **POCKET PARKS – a)** All in order at both sites. Snowdrops were spectacular in Brickle.

viii) **CIRCUIT-** the next MEPC meeting was later in the week and the Circuit one in March.

ix) **OTHER REPORTS -a)** News and Views – the Clerk had submitted a call for Councillor nominations for the May election and would also send a notice of the April 29<sup>th</sup> Annual Village Meeting

b) Cllr Mrs Fanning was awaiting delivery of the leaflet stands for the High Street phone box and the Clerk gave details of the vinyl signs as used by Dadford and Stowe and it was agreed that the same should be used on High Street

The Clerk gave an update on the position with conversion of the Brackley Road kiosk for a defibrillator installation. Cllr Mrs Tosh reported that the school had a defibrillator now surplus to requirements which could be made available to the village. She undertook to supply the Clerk with details.

c) Cllr Bambridge reported that the SNC Scrutiny Committee was investigating issues to do with the bus services for which S106 funding had been given.

d) Cllr Bambridge outlined details of the planned Brackley Community Hospital which was now progressing well. A presentation by Cllr Caryl Billingham at the Annual Village meeting was in hand.

e) Cllr Bambridge advised that issues with delivery of the SNC Magazine were being addressed,

f) Due to the closeness of the May election no further action was being taken to fill the vacant set on the Council. Interest recently shown by a resident was noted. Cllr Mrs Tosh had made contact.

	<p>g) Following the resignation of Cllr Thompson a member would need to take over responsibility to catalogue and manage the flood resilience equipment stored at the SRA. An item would be added to the next meeting Agenda.</p> <p>h) Promotion information for the May Election had been uploaded to the village website and posters would be spread around the village. Nick Ashby offered to upload these to the village Facebook pages for which he was thanked.</p>
8	<p><b>CORRESPONDENCE</b> – i) There were no items of tabled and general correspondence.</p> <p>ii) Contact had been made via Peter Hart following a letter to him from Bovis regarding the Council’s possible adoption of the allotment site on the Towcester Road development. It was <b>RESOLVED</b> that the Clerk seek clarification as the developer’s original stance was that these would only be for residents of the development.</p>
	<p><i>Pursuant to the public bodies (admission to Meetings) Act 1960 due to the sensitive nature of the matter next to be considered relating to:</i></p> <p><i>i) feedback following recent playing field meeting;</i></p> <p><i>ii) issues relating to the Clerk; -</i></p> <p><i>members of the public and press were asked to leave</i></p>
9	<p>i) Members gave consideration to various issues and feedback from the meeting at Shacks Barn Farm held on January 10<sup>th</sup> relating to the playing field on Church Street and <b>RESOLVED</b> what further action needed to be taken at this time.</p> <p>ii) Advance notice had been given by the Clerk of her intention to resign in the current calendar year. Members held discussions on the appointment process going forward.</p>
10	<b>CONSULTATION DOCUMENTS</b> – None
11	<b>ITEMS FOR THE NEXT MEETING AGENDA</b> – None requested
12	<b>DATE OF NEXT MEETING</b> – i) Monday 9 <sup>th</sup> March 2020 at 8pm in the Methodist Church Room.

There being no other business, the meeting closed at 10.10pm