

**SILVERSTONE PARISH COUNCIL.  
MINUTES OF MEETING HELD ON MONDAY 12<sup>th</sup> DECEMBER 2016 AT 8.00pm AT THE  
METHODIST CHURCH**

**PRESENT:** Cllrs A Thompson (Chair), J. Laband, P. Byng, J. Rudland, P. Hart, D. Bambridge, P. Hinton, P. Dunne and Cllrs Mrs C. Tosh, S. Cann and M J. Branch Also in attendance L. Paice, Clerk, and eight members of the public.

The meeting commenced at 8.05pm

1	No <b>APOLOGIES</b> were received, all members being present					
2	<b>CHAIRMAN'S ANNOUNCEMENTS</b> were noted.					
3	i) No <b>DISPENSATION REQUESTS</b> had been received. ii) <b>DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST</b> were made by Cllr Hart in relation to allotments the SRA. Also Cllr Laband in relation to the SRA. 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 of the Council held on 14 <sup>th</sup> November, having been previously circulated, be signed as a true record in line with Standing Order 5a(iii) by the appropriate Chair.					
5	<b>PUBLIC TIME</b> – No issues raised. Cllr Bambridge as <b>DISTRICT COUNCILLOR</b> reported that although the CC Leader had announced that the CC was in favour of a single unitary authority, no recent discussions had taken place with the district councils					
6	<b>FINANCE 6.1</b> It was <b>RESOLVED</b> that the following accounts be paid:					
	Chq No	Amount	Incl VAT of	Payee	Details	Power
	300628	£882.08) £ 22.92) <b>£905.00</b>		Linda Paice	Salary & expenses Shared exps	LGA 1972 s112
	300629	£78.77		HMRC	Tax and NHI	LGA 1972 s112
	300630	£275.00		Parish Mag Printers	News & Views	LGA 1972 S142
	300631	£45.00		SLCC	Share subscription	LGA 1972 S111
	300632	£124.84		Silverstone Methodist Church	Room Hire	LGA 1972 S111
	Additional payments were made as follows:					
	300633	£446.46		John Rudland	Parish Plan expenses	GPOC
	300634	210.28	35.05	A H Contracts	Dog bin maintenance	Open spaces Act
	The Clerk gave notice of an item on the next meeting agenda to establish a policy on payments arising between the date of the Agenda and the Council meeting date, payments being made from public money.					
	6.2 <b>RECEIPTS</b> – £12.00 and £32.00– News and Views adverts.					
	6.3 The Council's bank balances at 30 <sup>th</sup> November 2016 were noted as £124339.65 in the current account including earmarked funds of £86,008 and £11382.26 in the Old Oak account.					
	6.4 Budgetting information from NCALC had been circulated. Cllr Byng reported on financial consideration within NALC which could lead to an increased subscription next year.					
7	<b>REPORTS</b> – i) <b>PLANNING COMMITTEE</b> – A report on applications considered by the Committee was noted. b) The Decision on the application relating to land off Towcester Road and associated CIL liability was noted. c) Update on Parish Plan was given by Cllr Rudland who reported on a very successful exhibition with much positive feedback. Responses were yet to be summarised. Cllr Rudland undertook to arrange a meeting of a small group of members to progress this and other issues. Cllr Bambridge suggested that a copy of the report be formally passed to Planning Policy at SNC for their comments prior to amendment and publication. d) Information from SNC and Bovis Homes in relation to bus stops had been finalised. Cllr Bambridge reported to the meeting on further breaches and neighbour issues with the Bovis Contractors and advised that this had been taken up with the Head of Planning at SNC and enforcement requested.					

	<p>e) It was reported that the MEPC planning application would be considered by the SNC Planning Committee on Thursday as also would the Church Street application. Clarification was given to members of the public present on the protocol at these meetings.</p> <p>f) Information had been circulated following the meeting with the Agent and NCC in relation to the future of the two school sites. Questions were asked about possible alternative access particularly to the Infants School site. Cllr Mrs Tosh clarified the position on ownership of roads to both sites the applicant looking only at what might be feasible with the current accesses.</p> <p>g) Having been proposed by the Chair, it was unanimously <b>RESOLVED</b> that no decision be made on a Neighbourhood Plan proposal until the February 2017 meeting by which time the planned public meeting on 17<sup>th</sup> January on the NHP process had been held with SNC Planning Policy Officers. An update on SNC policy reviews was noted and the view expressed that the new Local Plan would cover all issues. Members of the public were asked by the Clerk not to upload onto social media verbatim extracts from e mails sent under her name without the courtesy of prior advice.</p> <p>ii) The report of the <b>FOOTPATHS OFFICER</b> was noted.</p> <p>iii) <b>HIGHWAYS</b> – a) No further highways issues were raised. b) Updates were given on previous reports. c) It was noted that the 20mph application on Church Street had disappointingly again been refused. d) Information on a Safe Speed presentation at Greens Norton had been circulated. It was <b>RESOLVED</b> that no action be taken unless Northants Police indicated it was prepared to be involved and act upon the information provided by Safe Speed.</p> <p>d) Following consideration it was <b>RESOLVED</b> that the Council continue to buy out of the NCC Urban Mowing Scheme. Quotations for mowing for the coming year would be sought.</p> <p>iv) <b>LIGHTS</b> – a) No faulty lights were reported. b) There were no other lighting issues reported. c) The light awaited for Murswell Lane was now in stock and may already have been installed.</p> <p>v) <b>SRA</b> – a) Cllr Hart had been unable to attend the last meeting. b) Cllr Byng reported back on the latest Leisure Enhancement Group meeting advising a costing of £2.25m being presented by the Architects. This information had been passed back to the SRA for further consideration. Investigations into the VAT position had shown that a complete rebuild would be the better financial option.</p> <p>vi) <b>PLAY AREAS</b> - a) The safety surfacing works at Church Street had been completed and extended. There was currently an issue with moles and the SRA member present in the public was asked to address this. b) All was in order at Old Oak and some spare parts for the seat had been ordered. Concern was expressed by Cllr Mrs Tosh regarding comments via the website of rubbish which could easily have been disposed of by the complainant.</p> <p>vii) <b>POCKET PARKS</b> – a) Consideration was given to the Council’s Pocket Parks Events Policy and on proposition by Cllr Byng seconded by Cllr Bambridge and with voting 6 in favour and 5 abstentions it was <b>RESOLVED</b> no change be made at this time. b) Brickle – Clean and tidy but some spasmodic arrangements for working parties which would be addressed by Cllrs Mrs Branch and brought back to the meeting. c) Successful working party had trimmed around the pond and shrubs. Tree work had been completed that day and further work to a tree off Green Lane would be addressed in the New Year.</p> <p>viii) <b>CIRCUIT</b> – Cllr Bambridge updated the meeting on both the recent MEPC and Parish Liaison meetings. Events Leaflet were due to be circulated to all residents.</p> <p>ix) <b>OTHER REPORTS</b> a) The possibility of allotment land was ongoing. b) The defibrillator had been delivered and arrangements made for its installation would be followed up. c) A meeting of the Finance Committee would be arranged prior to the next meeting to firm up proposals relating to a village maintenance person.</p>
8	<p><b>CORRESPONDENCE</b> – 8.1 Tabled and general correspondence was noted. 8.2 Further consideration of the 2017 Best Village competition was given. Cllr Rudland agreed to liaise with a small working group of Cllrs Mrs Branch, Dunne, Hart and Bambridge and report back.</p>

	8.3 An e mail from a resident regarding a perceived lack of communication with parishoners, particularly in relation to planning applications, was read to the meeting and considered. After discussion it was <b>RESOLVED</b> that currently the Council would not have any social media involvement but would speak with the 2Commune regarding a possible RSS feed from the website. A link to the SNC planning page for Silverstone would also be arranged.
	<b>CONSULTATION DOCUMENTS</b> - None
	<b>ITEMS FOR THE NEXT MEETING AGENDA</b> – i) Possibility of an all Council Training evening.
	<b>DATE OF NEXT MEETING</b> – 9 <sup>th</sup> January 2017 at 8pm in the Methodist Church Room.

There being no other business, the meeting closed at 9.40pm with best wishes for a Happy Christmas.