

**A MEETING OF STRETTON PARISH COUNCIL
WAS HELD ON TUESDAY 27th JULY 2021 AT 7.00PM
AT THE PRIORY CENTRE, STRETTON**

The following members of the Council were present:

Cllr J McKiernan	Chair
Cllr K Winson	Vice Chair
Cllr M Goode	
Cllr E Pritchard	
Cllr G Lamb	
Cllr T Williams	
Cllr P Scanlan	
Cllr C Hodson-Walker	
Cllr S Champion	

Also present was the clerk, a member of the public and SCC Cllrs Afsar and Peters.

1. PUBLIC QUESTION TIME AND PRESENTATION OF PETITIONS

2122-017 A member of the public attended to give some background to the planning application submitted at Eastgate Business Centre. The land involved in the application has been used as a carpark for the surrounding units and was sold in March 2021. The new owner believed that planning permission was in place for additional units to be built upon the land and it was immediately fenced off and land excavation started. The status of the land had changed in 2011 with units 11-14 being revoked in favour of the carpark remaining to help the businesses grow. When the applicant was made aware of this work ceased on site and the planning application has been submitted to ESBC. The surrounding businesses are now affected by the closure of the carpark for parking of visitors and also staff. If permission is granted then the new businesses will not have sufficient parking. The member of the public also questioned the accuracy of the completion of the planning and building control forms; and felt that the granting of the permission would not bring business to the Centre but would in fact have the adverse effect in existing business leaving in order to provide parking for visitors and staff.

2. APOLOGIES

2122-018 Apologies were received and accepted from Cllr Davies and Cllr Tilley.

3. DECLARATION OF INTERESTS

2122-019 There were no declarations made in relation to agenda items.

4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF THE MEETING TUESDAY 4th MAY 2021

2122-020 The circulated minutes were approved as a true and accurate record following a proposal from Cllr E Pritchard and seconded by Cllr K Winson with all present in favour.

5. BURTON LIBRARY CONSULTATION - BURTON TOWN DEAL BOARD

2122-021 Councillors were advised of the consultation which had been widely publicised by SCC and ESBC. Consultation comments can be made online or via the information events being held in the Town centre. Cllr Hodson-Walker commented that she had made her objection to the proposal as it was not good for the Town Centre and would reduce services. Cllr Goode commented that he too was against the proposal due to the reduction in services at the Library such as meeting rooms, societies, book groups, computer access etc. It was also commented that should the Library remain the first floor will be cleared to make way for offices for SCC employees. Concern was raised regarding the current Market Hall traders and the lack of thought regarding parking and facilities for the Registry Office. It was questioned why a purpose built Library should be moved into a building that is not adequate for that purpose.

Cllr Lamb informed that this had been discussed at a recent meeting of ESBC and a business case is to be written by SCC before decisions are made. It is the view of ESBC that the Market Hall is not being run effectively and it would be beneficial for the proposal to proceed plus the local residents do not understand the benefits.

The Chair commented on the other projects that form part of the Town Deal and that consultations are due to be held on these. Cllr Hodson-Walker enquired if information was available on the previous consultation on projects to be included and Cllr Pritchard signposted where this could be found.

Cllr Pritchard commented that all the projects need to meet business case criteria and questioned the costs associated with the Market Hall move and the underpinning needed to extend the building whilst protecting the remains of the Abbey.

Cllrs were urged to make comments on the consultations.

6. CORRESPONDENCE RECEIVED

2122-022 The following items of correspondence have been received from the sources shown and actioned as indicated. All items were available for inspection by councillors.

i.	Stretton Eagles JFC	The Clerk advised that Stretton Eagles JFC had recently held a Charity Match and had asked if the proceeds could be used to purchase a defibrillator for Jubilee Playing Field. Cllrs unanimously agreed in principle to the suggestion, but this depended upon location, electricity supply and ongoing costs.
ii.	Wicksteed Leisure	The Clerk informed that the annual play equipment inspections had taken place and reports received. The work highlighted for Bitham Lane had already been completed whilst the installation team were on site fitting the new equipment. The Clerk outlined the work needed to the equipment at Jubilee Playing Field to the value of £874.00 Cllr S Champion proposed the works be undertaken, seconded by Cllr Pritchard, and carried unanimously,

7. ITEMS FROM COUNCILLORS / CLERK

2122-023 The Clerk advised of a complaint / request received from a resident of Amberlands for the reducing or removal of trees on the bank of the Woodland Walk, to the rear of their property, which were overshadowing the garden. Cllrs discussed the location and agreed that only trees which were dead, damaged or causing potential health & safety risk should be considered for reduction or removal.

8. REPORTS BY STAFFORDSHIRE COUNTY COUNCILLOR, EAST STAFFORDSHIRE BOROUGH COUNCILLORS AND STAFFORDSHIRE POLICE

The Chair advised that Police representatives had turned up to the meeting and spoken with the Clerk before going onto a crime scene. A copy of the July 2021 police data had been circulated prior to the meeting.

SCC Cllr Arshad informed that he was investigating the road condition at Jackson Avenue which was causing flooding; had met the CCG to discuss GP services in the area and had met the local Police Commander to discuss local issues. Cllr Arshad advised of the SCC Members Community Fund and urged groups to apply for funding. The Parish Council to promote via Facebook, website and noticeboards.

SCC Cllr Peters commented on the recent complaints regarding HGV use of roads and that SCC Highways have advised that this is a police issue; double yellow lines have been requested for the corners on Shrewsbury Road to help discourage irresponsible parking; and discussed anti social behaviour in the area with the Commissioner who has assured that there are officers in attendance but sometimes in plain clothes and unmarked vehicles. SCC Cllr Peters commented that the Library / Market Hall proposal "is not a done deal" and a business plan has to be produced for central Government.

Cllr Williams commented on the poor state of the road surface along Derby Road and SCC Cllr Arshad confirmed that he is waiting for a date to meet with the SCC Cabinet Member to visit the area.

SCC Cllr Peters commented that he was working together with SCC Cllr Arshad as community was the focus for the area.

ESBC Cllr Lamb advised of pot holes along Craythorne Road and the HGV use of Bitham Lane which had been forwarded to SCC Cllr Peters along with a complaint of flooding on St Marys Drive. Travel plans had been requested for Guinevere Avenue, St Marys Drive and Pirelli developments to ensure that what was required has been done and it is achieving what it was intended.

SCC Cllrs Peters and Arshad left the meeting.

9. DATE TIME AND VENUE OF NEXT MEETING

2122-025 The next meeting was scheduled for Tuesday 7th September 2021 at 7.00pm at the Priory Centre. The room to be advised.

10. PLANNING APPLICATIONS AND PLANNING MATTERS

2122-026 *Cllr Lamb did not take part in any discussions on this item due to his role with ESBC.*

The Clerk had circulated a register of valid planning applications with status, prior to the meeting, for consideration and updated on the current status.

P/2021/00787 - Eastgate Business Centre - It was agreed to object to this application upon grounds of the existing carpark being a community asset and needed for the continued use and growth of the Centre.

P/2021/00868 - Development at Tutbury Road. Concerns were raised regarding traffic implications on the immediate area around the development and also through the parish to gain access to the A38. Concern was also raised regarding the inclusion of a shop with carparking, emergency access areas and hedgerows. It was unanimously agreed to express concerns to ESBC Planning.

11. FINANCE

2122-027 A copy of the payment schedule below was circulated at the meeting.

All payments had been authorised by 2 Councillors each month as per the HCID Policy which was in place for the Parish Council.

There were no comments made with regard to the schedule and this was unanimously accepted.

Payment Code	Transaction	Description	Payment
BAC010521	G C McCulloch	Litterpicking / Ground Maint	£713.60
BAC020521	Campion Bros	Mowing and Aeration	£1,656.00
BAC030521	C Winson	Ground Maintenance	£2,408.20
DD	BT	Broadband and Telephone	£85.74
DD	EON NEXT	Hillfield Electric	£180.46
BAC040521	BHIB	Insurance	£1,860.86
BAC050521	Viking Ltd	Stationery	£38.28
BAC060521	Rainbow Waste	Wheelie Bins and Empty	£400.28
BAC070521	Wicksteed Ltd	Repairs to Trampoline and spares for Zipline	£2,210.34
BAC080521	PJC Tree Services	Works on Station Walk	£380.00
BAC090521	GeoXphere Ltd	Parish Mapping Software	£180.00
BAC100521	Harlow Bros Ltd	Maint Materials	£41.92
BAC110521	C Allen	Salary	£1,146.38
BAC120521	A J Smith	Salary / Reimbursements	£2,106.59
BAC130521	HMRC	PAYE/ NI Contributions	£1,045.76
BAC140521	Staffordshire County Council	Section 50 Application	£371.00
DD	The Peoples Pension	Pension Contributions	£362.24

BAC010621	G C McCulloch	Litterpicking / Ground Maint	£680.00
BAC020621	C Winson	Ground Maintenance	£2,372.40
DD	BT	Broadband and Telephone	£85.74
DD	BT	Priory Centre Tele / BB	£134.82
DD	EDF Energy	Changing Room Electric	£40.00
BAC030621	Risk Magic	Risk software	£1,800.00
BAC040621	Glasdon Ltd	Bin Bags	£251.23
BAC050621	P R Horticultural	Mower Blades	£143.40
BAC060621	Campion Bros	Mowing and Diesel	£1,302.86
BAC070621	Rainbow Waste	Wheelie Bins and Empty	£277.83
BAC080621	Boston Seeds	Wildflower and Grass seed	£384.59
BAC090621	South Staffs Water	Water Jubilee Playing Field	£53.85
BAC100621	C Allen	Salary	£1,146.18
BAC110621	A J Smith	Salary / Reimbursements	£2,124.79
BAC120621	HMRC	PAYE/ NI Contributions	£1,045.76
DD	The Peoples Pension	Pension Contributions	£362.24

BAC010721	G C McCulloch	Litterpicking / Ground Maint	£634.00
BAC020721	C Winson	Ground Maintenance	£2,225.75
BAC030721	D Eaton Tractors	Front Flail Mower Deck	£4,200.00
BAC040721	Campion Bros	Mowing and Diesel	£1,302.86
BAC050721	R&R Security	Radar padlocks for Woodland	£57.60
DD	BT	Broadband and Telephone	£74.25
DD	EDF Energy	Changing Room Electric	£82.46
BAC060721	PJC Tree Services	Jubilee Fields work	£900.00
BAC070721	Information Commissioner Office	Data protection / GDPR	£40.00
BAC080721	J Hutson Cleaning Svcs	Bus shelter window clean	£300.00
BAC090721	Rialtus Software	Support and Maintenance Acctg	£148.80
BAC100721	Rainbow Waste	Wheelie Bins and Empty	£285.56
BAC110721	Viking	Stationery	£311.02

BAC120721	RB Landscaping	Linemarking	£490.00
BAC130721	Wicksteed Lesiure	Play Inspections	£120.00
BAC140721	C Allen	Salary	£1,146.38
BAC150721	A J Smith	Salary / Reimbursements	£2,281.95
BAC160721	HMRC	PAYE/ NI Contributions	£1,045.76
DD	The Peoples Pension	Pension Contributions	£362.24

The actual to budget information was also circulated at the meeting showing the balance of individual cost lines against spend to date.

12. QUOTATION APPROVAL FOR DRAINAGE WORKS ON THE JINNY TRAIL

2122-028

A copy of the tender report had been circulated prior to the meeting detailing the quotations obtained and comments from the Project Management company.

Cllr Scanlan proposed acceptance of the quotation from T Bates Ltd, this was seconded by Cllr Campion with Cllrs Lamb, Hodson-Walker and Winson in favour.

Cllr McKiernan advised that he was against this proposal due to not having knowledge of the company and its work which posed a bigger risk. Cllr Winson informed that she knew of the good reputation of the company.

Cllrs Williams, Goode and Pritchard did not vote due to the price difference between the lowest and highest quotations whilst acknowledging that all the quotes had been confirmed as being compliant with the project requirements.

The Clerk confirmed that the Stretton end of the Trail would be closed and notices would be erected once a date was known for commencement of the work.

13. ANY OTHER BUSINESS

2122-029

Cllr Scanlan asked for actions/updates to be included in the minutes. It was agreed that an action list be circulated with the minutes.

Cllr Pritchard informed of an email from ESBC regarding funding for community events; and of the recent Speedwatch Training that had taken place at the Priory Centre. This had been attended by 3 - 4 people despite 13 people signing up for the training but not attending; and unfortunately, none of those attending wished to act as a Coordinator.

Cllr Hodson-Walker enquired when the kickwall would be installed and the Clerk replied that this had now been scheduled for early September.

Cllr Goode informed that due to the flood drainage works in Rolleston there is not a bus service between Stretton and Rolleston until the end of August.

Cllr Winson advised of complaints regarding local postboxes not being emptied daily.

Cllr Lamb enquired on the status of the SCC Section 50 application and the Clerk replied that this was still awaiting approval.

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