

SANDIACRE PARISH COUNCIL

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Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on Tuesday, 2 April 2024 at 7.00pm in the Memorial Institute, 19a Doncaster Avenue, Sandiacre, Derbyshire NG10 5FJ

PRESENT:

	Cllr W Major	Chairman
	Cllr S Bilbie	Vice-Chairman
	Cllr T Ford	
	Cllr A Gibson	
A	Cllr Mrs S Hales	
A	Cllr T Hales	
A	Cllr G Hickton	
A	Cllr Mrs G Hickton	
A	Cllr S Jarratt	
	Cllr J Lowrie	
A	Cllr R Pound	
A	Cllr T Sanghera	
A	Cllr Mrs K Stewart	
	Cllr R Stewart	

IN ATTENDANCE: Mrs M Bloor - Clerk to the Parish Council

ABSENT: Cllr R Pound and Cllr S Jarrett

MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC: None

The Chairman welcomed everyone to the meeting.

PRESENTATION

Ms Rachel Scott (EBC Community Health & Wellbeing Development Officer) gave a short presentation to highlight Erewash Walking Week commencing 8/4/24. She explained her role and highlighted local walking groups could contact her directly to publicise their walks to encourage more people to become active and find new routes in the area. Leaflets were tabled and posters provided for display purposes on notice boards.

Ms Scott was thanked for her presentation and left the meeting at 7.10pm

234. TO RECEIVE APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Councillor	Apology for absence received and noted
Cllr Mrs S Hales	Abroad
Cllr T Hales	Abroad
Cllr G Hickton	Prior commitment
Cllr Mrs G Hickton	Prior commitment
Cllr T Sanghera	Work commitment
Mrs K Stewart	Mobility problems

RESOLVED: to accept the apologies for absence received

235. TO RECEIVE DECLARATIONS OF INTERESTS

There were no declarations of interest.

236. TO CONSIDER REQUESTS FOR DISPENSATIONS

There were no requests for dispensation.

237. VARIATION OF ORDER OF BUSINESS

There were no variations of order of business.

238. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

No items were raised.

239. TO RECEIVE REPORTS FROM THE FOLLOWING:

1. Police

There was no report under this heading.

2. County Councillor

Cllr Major reported on the following:

- The first meeting of the new East Midlands Combined County Authority (EMCCA) had taken place with Council leaders from each authority deciding the organisation's constitution, budget and devolved powers. From May, the newly elected Mayor would lead the Board
- Recycling Centres would continue to operate 7 days per week, but hours would reduce from 9.30am to 5pm each day. New charges would be introduced for the disposal of tyres (£4 per tyre) and sheets of asbestos (£6 per sheet). In order to deter fly-tipping, a trial scheme had been introduced to allow small registered business owners the opportunity to dispose of business waste at the centres
- Landowners could apply for grant funding to cover the cost of tree planting to create new woodland areas. The project was funded through the Community Trees for Climate Fund
- Additional funding from Central Government was being made available to repair potholes and those on Lenton Street and Derby Road were planned for repair
- The damaged railings at the corner of Derby Road and Longmoor Lane were scheduled to be replaced in the coming weeks.

3. Borough Councillors

Cllr Major and Cllr Bilbie reported on the following:

- The brown bin reduced payment scheme had been extended to April
- Cllr Robert Parkinson was set to receive the Freedom of the Borough for his longstanding service to the community
- The amended application for 111, Longmoor Lane (ERE/1123/0060) had unexpectedly identified a 100% increase in social housing numbers. Cllr Major had written to the Secretary of State.

240. TO RESOLVE THAT THE DRAFT MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON TUESDAY, 5 MARCH 2024 ARE A CORRECT RECORD

Discussion followed on the accuracy of Minute 226. Biodiversity

A vote was taken for Minute 226 to remain unchanged: For: 5

Against: 1

RESOLVED: the Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on 5 March 2024, copies of which have been previously circulated to Members, were confirmed as a true record

241. PLANNING

1. To consider planning application consultations received from EBC

None to date.

2. To note tree applications submitted to EBC

ERE/0324/0012 **St. Giles' Church** (Sandiacre Parish Council tree work)

Tree work in a Conservation Area: G9 - Yew Tree - Fell and grind

RESOLVED: to note the application

3. To note planning decisions taken by EBC

ERE/1123/0060 **111 Longmoor Lane**

Variation of condition 2 (list of approved drawings) to planning permission referenced

ERE/1021/0018, to make amendments to plots 1-6, 26-27, and 36-38.

EBC: Approved 13/3/24

RESOLVED: to note the above

242. CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

Cllr Major reported the Novotel was soon due to close to Asylum Seekers and would revert back to being a hotel.

243. REPORT OF THE CLERK

1. Crime figures, latest recorded: Jan 23: 94 / Jan 24: 54

The above was noted.

2. EBC: Payment of Precept and CF grant 5/4/24

The above was noted.

3. EBC: CF Outturn Return 2023/24 for submission

The above was noted.

4. EBC: Hanging baskets – Withdrawal of scheme 2024

The above was noted.

5. EBC: Response regarding S106 money for improvements to Springfield Park

Mr Birkinshaw (Head of Planning) had confirmed no S106 money was available.

6. FCC Community Grant – Springfield Park perimeter footpath

In order for the application to proceed further, FCC had asked for financial details to be submitted that verified the Council's accounts

7. Sandiacre Community Network: Community Activator/Community Development Team Leader posts to be advertised

The above was noted.

8. St. Giles' Church wall repairs and tree work: Report on progress
EBC was due to decide on the tree application (ERE/0324/0012) in the coming days and work to rebuild the perimeter wall had been permitted by EBC (R Snow), as the rebuild did not involve structural changes.

244. DISCLOSABLE PECUNIARY INTEREST FORMS (DPI'S)

For Councillors to consider if any changes have occurred that require their DPI's to be updated.

- Cllr Ford submitted his updated DPI to the Clerk at the close of the meeting
- Cllr Major would forward his updated DPI to the Clerk

245. PARISH AND TOWN COUNCIL LIAISON FORUM

Meeting to be held at County Hall, Matlock on 16/4/24 at 5.00pm.

A place had been reserved for Cllr Ford.

246. NOTTINGHAMSHIRE AND NOTTINGHAM WASTE LOCAL PLAN

Following consultation on the Pre-Submission Draft, between August and October 2023, the Councils had submitted the Pre-Submission Draft version of the Nottinghamshire and Nottingham Waste Local Plan to the Secretary of State for public examination.

RESOLVED: to note the above without comment

247. NATIONAL EMERGENCY AREA RETROFIT

To note work will commence on the M1 between junctions 23A and 25 in Leicestershire and Nottinghamshire from 10/4/24.

RESOLVED: to note the above without comment

248. NEIGHBOURHOOD DEVELOPMENT PLAN (NDP)

Report on progress.

It was confirmed EBC was in the early stages of examining the Neighbourhood Plan and shortly expecting to secure an Examiner.

Once the examination process was concluded, a report would be issued to the Parish Council with the final results.

The process was expected to take several months.

249. CEMETERY MATTERS

1. Burials since the last meeting
None.
2. Interment of Ashes since the last meeting
None.
3. Reserved Graves / Plots since the last meeting
None.

250. PARKS & OPEN SPACES

To consider any incidents or maintenance issues since the last meeting.

- Springfield Park continues to be water logged
- It was confirmed the C&RT had introduced 4 stakes with tape by the edge of the canal embankment to indicate the ground was unstable and opening up with water beneath

The Clerk confirmed the C&RT had still not displayed public warning signs to identify the developing hazards and that the bank was sinking.

Hayworth Road Park – Maintained by EBC

Cllr Stewart, as a volunteer member of the Friends of Hayworth Road Park, confirmed an Easter Egg competition had recently been organised and proved very popular with local families, with over 70 children taking part.

251. DERBYSHIRE ASSOCIATION OF LOCAL COUNCILS (DALC) NEWSLETTERS

Newsletters circulated electronically to Councillors upon receipt.

No items were raised.

252. FINANCE

1. To note the monthly financial report

The Clerk provided a verbal update of the Council's funds and confirmed she had recently completed the 2023/2024 End of Year Accounts.

RESOLVED: that the Clerk transfer £7,000 per month from the Deposit Account to the Current Account to top-up funds, as and when required

2. To authorise payments

DD 1/3	Water Plus (9648)	Office supply	15.20
DD 5/2	British Gas (0778)	Office electricity supply	165.78
DD 18/3	BT (3766)	Phone rental	7.73
CHG 21/3	HSBC	Account fee £8 + £3 activity charge	11.00
BP 4/3	Fox GM	Grounds Maintenance: Feb 24	1,529.24
BP 11/3	Canopy Tree Serv.	Annual Tree Condition Survey: Parks/Burial Grnds	600.00
BP 11/3	Fox GM	Grounds Maintenance: March 24 (End of year)	1,529.24
BP 11/3	Mrs Bloor	Solicitor service: Witness agreement	5.00
BP 13/3	Mrs Bloor	Office: Replacement carpet runners x 3	18.00
BP 28/3	Canopy Tree Serv.	Cut and remove dead Oak from Cemetery	780.00
BP 28/3	Mrs Bloor	Monthly salary: March	1,738.86
BP 28/3	HMRC	TAX/NIC's: February	505.08
BP 28/3	Spen's GS	Litter picker cover: 11/3/24	24.00
BP 28/3	Spen's GS	DARG: Clear vegetation/finish path/Cem. wreaths/litter	1,674.00
BP 28/3	Andrew's GS	Litter picking: March (5 week month)	906.00
BP 28/3	Andrew's GS	Low level work: Clearance of vegetation DARG & Cem	1,448.08
BP 28/3	J Bloor	Website hosting & maintenance to 31/3/24	150.00
Total:			<u>11,107.21</u>

RESOLVED: to approve the accounts for payment shown above

The Clerk confirmed Year End payments had been included in the above figures.

Compliments had been received on clearance work to Doncaster Avenue Recreation Ground to make the park look neat and tidy and with the first mow of the season having been undertaken the previous week.

3. To note income received

13	A203: Plot/Interments	370.00
25	Art Stone Memorials: Area 2, Row C, G14 (HS)	180.00
28	HSBC Savings (Deposit) A/C - Interest	54.24
28	Savings A/C: EBC - Electoral costs	-
28	HSBC Savings A/C: Grants - Interest	22.91
Total:		<u>627.15</u>

RESOLVED: to note income received

253. CORRESPONDENCE

None to date.

254. PUBLIC BODIES (ADMISSION TO MEETINGS) ACT 1960

*If the Council decides to exclude the public it will be necessary to pass a resolution in the following terms: **RESOLVED:** That under the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960, the public and representatives of the press and broadcast media be excluded from the meeting during the consideration of the following items of business as publicity would be prejudicial to the public interest because of the confidential nature of the business to be transacted.*

255. DATE & TIME OF NEXT PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

TUESDAY, 7 MAY 2024	<u>ANNUAL PARISH COUNCIL MEETING</u>	6.40pm
TUESDAY, 7 MAY 2024	FULL COUNCIL MEETING	7.00pm

The Memorial Institute, 19a Doncaster Avenue, Sandiacre NG10 5FJ

The meeting closed at 8.00pm

Signed by the Chairman: _____ **Date:** _____