

SUTTON WEAVER PARISH COUNCIL
Minutes of Sutton Weaver Parish Council meeting held on
Wednesday 5th July 2023 at 7 p.m.
at St Peter's Church Hall, Sutton Weaver

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Present	Cllr B Starkey -Chair (BS) Cllr R Hancock (RH) Cllr T Spencer (TS) Clerk-T Whitlow (TW) Cllr Gerry Jemitus (GJ) – after co-option 11 Member of the Public (MOP)	
49	Apologies for Absence were received from: Cllr Simon Richards, Cllr Hannah Bullock, Cllr Jackie Hancock	
50	Declarations of Members' Interests: - none	
51	Minutes: Minutes of the Parish Council meeting on Wednesday 7 th June 2023 were approved as a true and accurate record and signed by the chair.	
52	Co-Option: 1 MOP has come forward for co-option. This was considered by the parish councillors present and Resolved to co-opt Gerry Jemitus to the Parish Council. Proposed by BS, seconded by RH. Cllr GJ signed the acceptance of office, TW to forward Cllr information and Register of Interest to him, once his parish council email is set up – SR to be requested to do this. Cllr Gerry Jemitus was welcomed to the Parish Council	TW SR GJ
53	Police update. None present	
54	Ward Councillor Update. No ward councillors present – no reports received	
55	Matters arising / Actions from Previous Minutes 1. A553 Crossing , - TW confirmed after 16 days she had received a response from Halton BC to say her query over the funding of the crossing had been passed to the relevant department. RH to follow this up. 2. Newsletter – has been delivered to all properties in Sutton Weaver. TW apologised for a typo in a road number, leaving 1 or 2 MOP's to be confused.	RH
56	Public Participation: 1. Complaints received regarding the ramps on the crossing on the A553 which are not fixed, making it particularly difficult for wheelchairs and pushchairs. BS pointed out this is on HBC land not CWAC or even Sutton Weaver, but Cllr RH agreed to add to his letter to HBC re funding for the crossing. 2. Complaints regarding motor bike speed along Chester Road – Advised to report it to the police. TW to send comments to PCSO 3. MOP has offered to make a planter to replace the old planter on Cedar Avenue – to be 80 x 80cm, it is hoped this will discourage parking on the footpath. Resolved to ask Bizzy Bee to install the planter with chains when completed. Thanks were given to the MOP.	RH TW TW
57	Playground Update – 1. Anti-social behaviour - There have been no further reports, although the playground has been closed for 4 weeks due to damage caused. 2. Locking of the Gates – Volunteers – There is now a group of volunteers organising the opening and closing of the playground gate, no issues have been encountered to date.	

	<p>3. CCTV in the playground – CCTV signs have now been installed on the fence. TW investigated the purchase of a pole to attach camera and cage to, PC resolved to fund this to, TW to advise of the exact cost of pole & cage when written quote received (verbal cost received of @ £280)</p> <p>4. Repair of damaged equipment – This has been repaired by Bizzy Bee – with a contribution from themselves. The PC would like their thanks noted for this.</p> <p>5. Playground Redevelopment – Following on from the Anti-social behaviour the PC have considered the replacement of the perimeter fence against the car park and Resolved not to replace with the lower proposed fence, but this may cause further expense to the pathway-TW to advise CWAC architect. Due to less costs in not replacing the fence the PC would like to go ahead with the more expensive wheelchair roundabout, which has gates to prevent wheelchairs coming off the roundabout when in use if it fits the budget – TW to advise CWAC architect.</p>	
58	<p>Correspondence- No other correspondence received that has not been dealt with as an agenda item or forwarded to Councillors.</p>	
59	<p>Vexatious Policy - Resolved to accept this policy. TW to add to the website and update policy schedule.</p>	TW
60	<p>Volunteering Group –</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. One group are organising a Treasure Hunt around the village on the 20th August, they requested a donation from the PC to assist with this. Resolved to donate £50 towards prizes from the events budget. TW to do a poster for the notice board for this. 2. Second group wanting to organise a summer fayre, Resolved that although the PC feel time may be an issue, if the group can organise this in time the PC will donate £100 from the events budget. TW to note an agenda item for January to give plenty of time to organise this for next year. 	TW
61	<p>Payments for authorisation agreed.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. CCTV signs £8.96 2. Grass cutting June £300 3. Materials for playground repairs £446.61 4. Labour for playground repairs £315 5. Underpayment to grass cutting £5 6. Newsletter printing £68.50 7. Clerks expenses x 2 months £90.13 8. Clerks salary July 9. Clerks salary August – as no meeting in August <p>TW presented the Q1 accounts and bank reconciliation, which were accepted by the PC and signed by the chair.</p>	
62	<p>Items for Next Agenda</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Playground update • A533 crossing update • Review of all policies • Volunteering Groups 	
63	<p>Date of Next meeting Wednesday 6th September 2023 7. p.m.</p>	

The meeting closed at 8.25pm

Signed:

Date

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