



# Sedlescombe Parish Council

Minutes of the Meeting of the Parish Council  
on Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> March 2022 at 19:00 Sedlescombe Village Hall

## Council Meeting Minutes

### **Cllrs Present:**

Pauline Glew (PG), Roy Chapman (RC), Beverly Coupar (BC), Peter Anson (PA), D Caney (DC), Parish and District Cllr. Jonathan Vine-Hall (Chairman of the Parish Council) (JVH).

Mrs Jackie Scarff (JS) (Clerk/RFO)

There were 0 members of the public.

Item	Agenda Item (C22.)	
46	<b>To receive and accept Apologies (LGA 1972 s85 (3))</b> Apologies were received and accepted from Sally Sidgwick (SS); N Moore (NM); Jackie Saull-Hunt(JSH) for personal reasons.  Apologies were received from District & County Cllr C Maynard.	
47	<b>To receive questions from members on reports from the District and County Councillors</b> There were no reports.	
48	<b>Interests in accordance with 2012 Code of Conduct</b> <b>To receive councillors' declarations of interest regarding matters on the agenda and consider any written requests for dispensation as a result. Any changes to register of interests should be notified to the clerk.</b> JVH declared an interest in item 59 as the Chairman of the District Planning Authority, he chaired the meeting but did not take part in the decisions.	
49	<b>Public participation session re matters on the Agenda at the Chairman's discretion.</b> There were no members of the public present.	
50	<b>To consider for approval the minutes of the full council meeting 14<sup>th</sup> February 2022.</b> Resolved the minutes were approved and a true record and duly signed by the chairman.	
51	<b>If the committee wishes to exclude the public for a particular agenda item, the following resolution must be passed:</b> '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.'  There was no requirement to pass this resolution.	
52	<b>To agree a date for the AA in 2023</b> It was agreed to book 9 <sup>th</sup> May for the APCM and 17 <sup>th</sup> May for AA	
53	<b>Sedlescombe Sports Pavilion and associated grounds.</b> <b>To receive the minutes from Sedlescombe Sports Pavilion Executive Committee 2<sup>nd</sup> March 2022 for adoption.</b> <b>Resolved that the minutes be adopted .</b> <b>To receive recommendations for resolution and agree any actions required.</b> A briefing document had been circulated to the cllrs explaining the background and the reason for	

	<p>referral to full council.</p> <p>The cllrs agreed that they would like to help but that an artificial wicket was not a suitable option. The cllrs agreed that they would be interested in trying to find a grounds person who could prepare the wicket.</p> <p>RC reported that the committee had discussed investigating whether a multi use track could be put onto the field. The car park at the back of the field needs some work and quotes will be requested to clear the area.</p>	
<b>54</b>	<p><b>Highway Matters</b></p> <p><b>To receive and update and agree any actions required.</b></p> <p>DC reported that a public consultation is needed in order to progress the project. The plan is to put a consultation into the AA booklet with a tear off consultation on the back page.</p> <p>The box to collect the replies will be put in the shop. Extra consultations could be left in the shop.</p> <p>The training for the Black Cat Radar will take place the morning of 5<sup>th</sup> April.</p>	
<b>55</b>	<p><b>To discuss the request from SE Water to run a pipe across the Riverside Recreation Ground and agree any actions required.</b></p> <p>The clerk explained that SE Water have served a notice that they will enter the land at the end of the 3 month notice period (starting 4<sup>th</sup> March) to carry out the work they want to do. They have refused every option we have put forward as an alternative and will use their original plan to put a pipe across the middle of the front part of the recreation ground. The land agents, Batcheller Monkhouse, have advised that if the PC were to try and challenge the notice at a tribunal it could cost in excess of £20,000 and that a favourable outcome was unlikely. The work is likely to take approximately 3 months but the remedial work cannot take place until the following spring. The clerk was asked to contact the land agents to ensure that the MUGA remained accessible throughout. PA also commented that the clerk should ask that any damage to the driveway entrance is repaired. The clerk was asked to include this in correspondence with the land agents as well as highlighting that the driveway is not owned by the Parish Council and SE Water will need to contact the owner.</p>	
<b>56</b>	<p><b>To receive a quote to register Riverside Recreation Ground with Land Registry and agree any actions required.</b></p> <p>The clerk explained that she had received a quote from the solicitors expecting the work to be £500 plus disbursements. PA suggested that there should be a statement of truth to register the PC's right of way over the driveway.</p> <p>Resolved to proceed and register the land.</p>	
<b>57</b>	<p><b>To receive an update on the Playground Project and agree any actions required.</b></p> <p>BC explained that the lead time for the new equipment was 6 weeks from order.</p> <p>BC discussed the need to signpost the playpark from the road. BC reported that she had found another grant that she can apply for and would go ahead with that. BC gave an update on the Circus event.</p>	
<b>58</b>	<p><b>To receive quotes from grounds maintenance starting April 2022 with a view to making an appointment.</b></p> <p>The clerk had received a quote from ID Verde to continue the current contract of works - £2,978.00</p> <p>Orchard Landscapes had quoted for the work with some additional strimming at Red Barn Field, treating the moss on the tennis courts and managing the Hogweed along the river - £3,586.80</p> <p>Countrywide had been unable to quote for the meeting due to holidays.</p> <p>Resolved that the clerk accepts the quote from Orchard Landscapes and ask if they would reduce the price for a three year deal.</p>	
<b>59</b>	<p><b>Planning:</b></p> <p><b>To consider the following planning applications received and resolve to submit comments where appropriate.</b></p> <p><a href="#">RR/2022/61/P</a></p> <p>Bankhurst, Sandrock Hill, Sedlescombe TN33 0QR</p> <p>Demolition of existing house and outbuildings; construction of replacement dwelling and garage outbuilding; associated landscaping.</p>	

(Resubmission and Alterations to application RR/2021/1598/P).

No objection.

[RR/2022/256/P](#)

Springfield Cottage, Brede Lane, Sedlescombe TN33 OPR  
Proposed loft conversion with dormer to roof of existing garage building to create home office including addition of external steps.

No objection.

**60 To present the current outstanding resolutions and agree any actions required.**

**Ongoing Resolutions at March 2022**

Resolution	Date of Resolution	Status	Action Required
BT Openreach pole	June 2021	With Pole Objections team. Awaiting response.	Ongoing. The contractor
Quotes for EVT MUGA	January 2022	2 quotes received. Await third	Get third quote
	July 2021	Grant application was successful	
Application for Highways assessment for traffic project	Agreed at traffic meeting	Application made and awaiting a response.	Next step is to organise training for the Black Cat.
AA Booklet	November 2021	Ongoing	Final amends, spell check and send to printer
To switch email and website services to Uniserve	January 2022	Uniserve have contacted Xreflow and will organise the switch in stages. Emails to be first.	Planned date to switch over email services W/C 21 <sup>st</sup> June
Agree change of website	January 2022	Await email migration	Review once email Service has migrated

**61 Finance and Audit**

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**To receive the financial reports to 28<sup>th</sup> February 2022 for noting.**

Noted

**To receive a report detailing the bank balances to 28<sup>th</sup> February 2022 for noting.**

It was noted that unity Trust Bank Account balance was £56,172.23

**To consider for approval the payment of invoices received.**

The following payments were authorised for payment.

14/02/2022 BACS Orchard Landscapes Ltd 252.80

14/02/2022 BACS Foxhill Tree Services 624.00

14/02/2022 BACS Joanne Oliver Domestic 105.00

	<p>14/02/2022 BACS Rialtas Business Solutions Ltd 148.80  14/02/2022 BACS Sedlescombe Village Hall 40.00  14/03/2022 BACS Clerk 463.52  14/03/2022 BACS Sedlescombe Village Hall 20.00  14/03/2022 BACS HMRC 1,013.37  14/03/2022 BACS Xreflow 12.00  21/03/2022 DD Clerk 778.94</p>	
<b>62</b>	<p><b>Reports, Correspondence, Questions and Future agenda items not requiring decisions.</b></p> <p><b>a) Red Barn Field</b>  PG will check with the farmer if he will cut and bale in August.</p> <p><b>b) Monthly Meeting with the PCSOs</b>  RC had forwarded the reports.</p> <p><b>c) Sedlescombe Jobs Network</b></p> <p><b>d) Any Other</b>  PG reported that RDC have awarded the PC a grant of up to £500 towards the Jubilee Celebrations. They will pay up to 50% of costs to a max of £500.  The clerk explained that she had received a request for a donation of £25 for a gift for the retiring payroll administrator. All agreed.</p>	
<b>63</b>	<p><b>Date of next meeting.</b>  <b>To note the date of the next meeting is Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> April 2022 at 7pm CR2.</b></p> <p><b>Meeting closed at 20:50</b></p>	