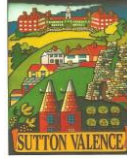


SUTTON VALENCE PARISH COUNCIL



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From the Clerk:

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Notice is hereby given of a remote meeting of the Parish Council to be held on Thursday May 28th 2020 at 6.30pm when the following business is proposed to be transacted:

The Chairman to ask if anyone is recording

Submissions from Public, Police, Community Support Warden, County or Borough Councillors

1. Decision whether Virtual Meeting procedure be approved
2. Apologies for absence
3. Declaration of lobbying
 - I. Declaration of Changes to the Register of Interests
 - II. Declaration of Interest in items on the Agenda
 - III. Requests for Dispensation
4. Minutes of the meetings held 12th and 23rd March 2020 to be agreed and signed
5. Matters arising from the minutes not covered under other headings
6. Decision whether Annual Parish Council meeting be postponed until 2021 and current Chairman to remain in place
7. Decision needed on whether to postpone or cancel the Annual Parish Assembly for 2020
8. Covid Emergency
 - I. Monies received as an anonymous donation for books
 - II. Easter eggs
9. Financial regulations
10. Risk Assessment to be reviewed and approved
11. General Powers of Competence
12. Policies to be reviewed:
Password
13. Accounting software – update
14. Consultations
15. Fence and Beech hedge outside of the Village Hall
16. KALC
17. Website
18. Data Protection
 - I Cloud document share
 - II Impact assessment
19. **Local Development Framework**
 - I. Neighbourhood Plan
 - i. Update
20. **Planning**
 - I. Recommendations to be made on the following:
 - i. 20/501921/FULL Babylon Tile Works Babylon Lane Hawkenbury TN12 0EG TPO
 - ii. Erection of rural workers dwelling in connection with the existing clay tileworks.
20/501899/LBC Lower Farm Babylon Lane Hawkenbury ME17 3ER
 - iii. Listed Building consent for change of use of existing stables into 3no. holiday lets, works to include internal alterations, insertion of windows, doors and associated parking.
20/501898/FULL Lower Farm Babylon Lane Hawkenbury ME17 3ER
Change of use of existing stables into 3no. holiday lets, works to include internal alterations, insertion of windows, doors and associated parking.
 - iv. 20/501800/OUT Land Rear Of Redic House Warmlake Road Sutton ME17 3LP.
Outline application for the erection of three detached dwellings (Access and Layout being sought).

II. Planning Application recommendations made under emergency powers:

20/501424/FULL Appleacres Maidstone Road Sutton Valence Maidstone Kent
18/502332/REM (19/501101)

The Parish Council wishes to see this application refused and are prepared to go to Committee if the planning officer approves this development. The Parish Council is disappointed to see this application for building yet another house on this site which was originally an orchard and was maintained by the occupiers of Silverdale and Appleacres. The second phase of the development (19/501101) was hidden from the street view and we had no neighbour objection and the parish council did not therefore comment on the application. The parish council is in favour of development, but this house is yet another four-bedroom house. Sutton Valence has a need for two/three-bedroom starter/affordable homes. This development has not catered for these needs. Contravening NPPF para 61 and MBC LP Policy SP17 paragraph c. We object to the following reasons This development contravenes policy DM36, which states the site results in a development which individually or cumulatively is visually acceptable in the countryside. The architects in the original planning application (18/502332) said in their planning statement a key aim of this proposal was to avoid an over-urbanisation of the development (para 4.0.31) and further commented in paragraph 4.03.2 During a site visit, developers reassured the Parish Council that the orchard was important to the development and it would be maintained and protected and that the houses would be built amongst a countryside environment. This has not been the case. Several of the apple trees, albeit very old but very beautiful have been taken down amongst the leaving the site unsightly. The parish council believes that this application also contravenes DM37 harm to the character and appearance of the countryside. This final development is being built in front of the two neighbouring houses to the north and is out of character to the street scene and very close to the main road. Contravenes the DM34 paragraph 5. be located adjacent to existing building or be unobtrusively located and well screened by existing or proposed vegetation which reflect the landscape. This development will cause a loss of visual amenity. The Old Orchard will look like a housing estate that has little if no screening from the road very different from the original application. The parish council would like to see the orchard replaced and maintained under a management plan. The parish council wish to see this application rejected in view of the above comments.

21. **Finance**

- I. Correspondence
- II. Change of signatories
- III. Authorisation of payments
- IV. Bank Balances
- V. Income
- VI. Expenditure
- VII. Bank Reconciliation
- VIII. Performance Against Budget
- IX. Internal Audit

22. **Recreation and Open Spaces**

- I. War Memorial Play Area and field
- II. Car Park
 - i. New Light
- III. Football
 - F A Grant
 - Pitch fertilization
- IV. Pavilion
- V. Tennis
- VI. Harbour Play Area and field
- VII. Open Spaces
 - i. Open Spaces maintenance and grass cutting contract.
 - ii. Extension of Conservation Area
 - iii. Kent Wildlife Trust report
- VIII. Public Rights of Way

23. **Roads & Transport Group (inc. Lighting)**

- I. Maintenance issues reported
- II. Correspondence
- III. Public Transport
- IV. Lighting upgrade
- 24. **Working groups**
 - 24.1 Allotment
- 24 Police
- 25. Correspondence
- 26. Village Hall
- 27. Toilet
- 28. Agenda items for next meeting
- 29. Date of next meeting

Janet Burnett – Clerk to the Council 21/5/2020

THIS MEETING IS TAKING PLACE REMOTELY ON ZOOM. IF YOU WISH TO ATTEND THE MEETING PLEASE CONTACT THE CLERK BEFORE 2pm ON 28/5/20 FOR AN INVITE CODE.