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MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF SOMERCOTES PARISH COUNCIL

HELD AT 6:30PM

ON FRIDAY 26TH JUNE 2026

IN THE MAIN HALL, PARISH HALL, NOTTINGHAM ROAD, SOMERCOTES.

Present Councillor;

Chair: J Parker

Councillors: E Sherman, S McCabe, P Slater, M Barron, P Wardle, C Addison-Lees, K Judson

Staff: T Crookes (Clerk), M Bullock (RFO)

19/26: **Apologies for Absence**

Apologies were received from Councillor S Marshall

20/26: **Filming and recording of Council Meetings**

The meeting was not recorded

21/26: **Declarations of Interest**

(a) Declaration of Members Interests

Declarations were received from Councillors;

E Sherman

Item 31/26 To consider a request from People Of Somercotes Together (POST) for an event on 28/11/26

To remain in the meeting but not vote

C Addison-Lees

Item 28/26 To receive an allotments report and resolve further actions

To provide information then leave the meeting

(b) Register of Members' Interest:

members were reminded that they have a duty to keep their register of interest up to date

22/26: **Variation of Order of Business**

RESOLVED

To hear item 27/26 and 35/26 together should no members of public be present

23/26: **Public Participation**

(a) Members of the Public Section

There were none

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(b) Local Authority Section

There were none

24/26: **To receive and approve the minutes of the Annual Parish Full Council meeting held on Friday 15th May 2026. A copy of which has been distributed with the agenda and may be taken as read.**

RESOLVED

The minutes were approved as a correct record

25/26: **To receive and approve the Annual Governance and Accountability Return (AGAR) documents for 2025-26**
RESOLVED

(a) Internal Audit report

The report was received and approved

(b) Annual Governance Statement

The report was received and approved

(c) Accounting Statements

The report was received and approved.

A formal note of appreciation was recorded for the production of the document in an appropriate and compliant format. It was further reaffirmed that the issues highlighted within the audit are not attributable to the current Officers. The matters identified originate from practices under the previous administration and are already subject to corrective action, with appropriate measures underway to ensure full resolution and council compliance.

26/26: **To consider and approve updated Financial Reserves policy**
RESOLVED

The policy was approved and adopted

The reserves amount was noted.

27/26: **To consider an Aggressive, Violent and Unacceptable Customer Behaviour Policy and resolve further actions**

Item 35/26 i, To consider the implementation of the Aggressive, Violent and Unacceptable Customer Behaviour Policy – GDPR was heard at this point together.

No members of public were present.

RESOLVED

That the policy, template and risk assessment were approved
That the details in the confidential report were noted and that a ban is issued in line with this policy

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28/26: **To receive an allotments report and resolve further actions**
RESOLVED

- i. That the allotments are managed as Association's
- ii. Support the development of a constitution in line with NAS guidance and review those already in place
- iii. That officers are authorised to work with plot holders to establish the Association's
- iv. That a transition to a self-managed model is implemented
- v. That charges will apply at the current rate

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29/26: **To receive Premier Electric Cinema report and resolve further actions**
RESOLVED

- i. That Somercotes Parish Council agrees in principle to acquire the Premier Electric Theatre as a council-owned community asset through funding streams
- ii. That the Clerk/RFO is authorised to obtain legal, valuation, and structural advice to support due diligence. That it is noted that Valuers have attended at a cost of £995.00, this was funded through the identified budget feasibility study (minute 44/25).
- iii. That the PID is approved and progressed
- iv. That Officers are authorised to identify and apply for funding with support from CVS and other partners where necessary
- v. That any further costs including legal costs required to support the negotiation and acquisition of obtaining the building, will be allocated to this project through any unspent/unidentified budgets for 26/27; profits from the bar takings and events; funding streams

30/26: **To receive and consider road sweeper report and resolve further actions**
RESOLVED

- i. Approve selling the sweeper without a service and battery
- ii. Delegate the sale to the Clerk/Officers to gain best price

31/26: **To consider a request from People Of Somercotes Together (POST) for an event on 28/11/26**
RESOLVED

That the request is approved and that permission to use the Parish Council car park to host a community Christmas market on 28/11/2026 is granted

32/26 **To receive an email from St Thomas' Church and subsequent response**
RESOLVED

That the content and reply is noted.

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33/26: **To receive a report on events and spend so far**

RESOLVED

- i. That the events planned were noted and supported
- ii. That the expenditure was ratified
- iii. That income generated from the bar is allocated for supporting future events

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34/26 **To receive the Licensing Compliance Policy and resolve further actions**

RESOLVED

That the policy was approved

35/26: **Confidential Item(s)**

(a) Exclusion of The Public:

Council **RESOLVES:** Members of the press and the public are excluded from the meeting during the following agenda item by reason of the confidential nature of the items of business to be transacted. This is in accordance with Section 1(2) of the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960 and Schedule 12A (Access to Information) of the Local Government Act 1972 for the following agenda items:

- i. **To consider the implementation of the Aggressive, Violent and Unacceptable Customer Behaviour Policy – GDPR**
Item was heard with 27/26.
RESOLVED
That the details in the confidential report were noted and that a ban is issued in line with this policy

36/26: **Date and Time of Next Meeting**

Thursday 16th July 2026, at 6:30PM

Meeting closed 19:46pm