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Minutes of the Extraordinary Meeting of Somercotes Parish Council held on Friday 26th May 2023 at 6.30pm in the Village Hall, Nottingham Road, Somercotes

Present: Cllr Addison-Lees, Cllr P Curran-Bilbie, Cllr K Judson, Cllr J McCabe (Chair), Cllr E Sherman, Cllr J Parker, Cllr P Slater, Cllr P Wardle, Catherine Hedley (Clerk) Kimberley Walker (Asst Clerk/RFO)
R Hedley (Snr Warden) - (Part present - for Item 17/2023.24)

11/2023.24: Apologies for absence – Cllr M Barron, Cllr T Pearson, Cllr S Walker, Cllr S Tomlinson

12/2023.24: Social Media: None present

13/2023.24: Variation of Order of Business. – Items 18/2023.24 and 19/2023.24 to be taken under Part 2 Confidential Items).

14/2023.24: (i) Declaration of Members Interests

Cllr J McCabe – Items: 18/2023.24, 19/2023.24, 20/2023.24, 21/2023.24
Cllr C Addison-Lees – Items: 18/2023.24, 19/2023.24, 20/2023.24, 21/2023.24

15/2023.24: Councillors' Request for dispensation – None received

16/2023.24: Public Speaking – (30 Minutes)

Cllr McCabe stated that he was meeting with an officer from AVBC regarding debris on Norman Road. Also that a nuisance motorbike rider on The Range car park had been apprehended by police.

16/2023.24: “In view of the confidential nature of items 18/2023.24 and 19/2023.24 Council resolved to exclude the press and public from the meeting in accordance with the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960, s1, in order to discuss the item.”

17/2023.24: City Sweeper Report – To assess performance of sweeper - After considering the report Council **RESOLVED** that:

- The sweeper was only used on the streets identified as safe to do so.

- That the clerk write to the appropriate officer at AVBC regarding the removal of bins from the curtilage following refuse collection.
- That the clerk write to the police regarding their policy on cars parked on the pavement
- That the matter be reviewed at the next parish council meeting in July.

18/2023.24: Letter – Request for clarification - Birchwood Lane Allotments. Council **RESOLVED:**

- That the Council decision regarding representation at allotment meetings stood.
- That the clerk seek further advice regarding conflict of interest in this situation.
- That the matter be revisited in 6 months time.

19/2023.24: Allotment Meeting Minutes – Council **RESOLVED** that the matter be referred to the next Allotment sub-committee meeting.

20/2023.24: Birchwood Lane Allotment Association – Planning Permission – Cllr Addison-Lees informed council that the association wished to place a site office on the allotments. Council **RESOLVED:**

- That the clerk submit the planning application for the association.
- That the Chair of the allotment sub-committee approves the application before submission
- That the Association meet the costs of the application.
- That parameters around the container use were put in place by the association.

21/2023.24: Birchwood Lane Allotment Flooding – Council **RESOLVED** that additional quotes were sought for the work described in the report from Smiths of Stapleford.

22/2023.24: Drunken Close – Access & Gate – Council **RESOLVED** that the clerk obtain additional quotes for the replacement gate.

23/2023.24: Fire Risk Assessment – Council **RESOLVED** to accept the recommendations in the fire risk assessment report.

24/2023.24: Footpath 16 Diversion – Council **RESOLVED** to oppose the footpath diversion

Meeting ended at 8.15pm