SANDHURST PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON 13 SEPTEMBER 2023 AT THE VILLAGE HALL

Chair Cllr R. Davies (RD).

Apologies Cllr R. Elliott, Cllr P. McLain.

In attendance Cllr T. Wyatt (TW). Cllr J. Speedy (JS). Cllr G. Phillips (GP).

Borough Councillor M. Williams (MW)

Clerk P. Langley

J. Robinson (Footpaths)

Members of the Public - 4.

01 .09. 23 RD welcomed all to the Meeting.

02.09.23 Apologies - As listed above.

03.09.23 Minutes of the Previous Meeting held on 3 July 2023 having been circulated were approved and signed by RD.

04.09.23 Declaration of Members Interests Rd declared an interest in Planning Application 23/000787/FUL.

05.09.23 Matter Arising. TBC were dealing with the Dog Bins however they had moved one to near Brawn Farm prior to the Meeting. A letter would be sent to TBC about this matter. It was agreed to place a new bin outside the Village Hall.

06.09.23 Public Participation. No matters raised.

07.09.23 County Councillor Report. Apologies

08.09.23 Borough Councillor Report. Greenfields who cut the Playground area had had difficulty in entering the area having changed mower sizes. The Clerk would send a letter requesting any refund that may be due.

The contact for Grass Cutting next year would be paced on the Agenda for the October Meeting.

Concern was raised about a sight issue at Alcott House concerning overgrown hedges. JS would look into the matter.

09.09.23 Finance Report. 2 donations of £500 each had been received from Sandhurst Village Hall Committee and the Friday Night Club for the purchase of 4 Kissing Gates. A donation of £220 had been received from Mr Owen Carter also for the purchase of a kissing gate.. Monies had been banked.

Cheques 23/844 and 24/845 were approved. Other cheque details approved as per listing. Bank details and cheque stubs signed.

Cheques for Payment			
23/840	Greenfields	£276.00	Approved 8 July
23/841	Salary	£249.98	Approved 4 August
23/842	Greenfields	£276.00	Approved 4 August

23/843	GAPTC (Audit)	£190.00	Approved 7 August
23/844	Salary	£249.98	To Approve
23/845	Greenfields	£276.00	To Approve
Bank Balance			
28 June 2023	Opening Balance	£10809.55	
	Cheques Banked	£919.57	
1 September 2023	Closing Balance	£10584.00	
Income		£1220.00	
Outstanding Cheques		Nil	
	Available Balance	£10584.00	
	Cheques to be Banked	£569.18	
	Balance		£10014.82

10.09.23 Planning Applications `23/00574/ PDAD. Decision 29 August – Prior Approval Refused. 22/01343/OUT – Appeal started 7 August. Being dealt with by way of Public Enquiry, date TBA. 23/0161/ENFD – On going enquiry 24 July.

Cllr R. Davies left the meeting before the discussion of Planning Application 23/00787/FUL.

23/00787/FUL. A discussion was undertaken and no objections proposed.

Cllr R. Davies returned to Chair the Meeting.

Hazel Brown joined the Meeting.

11.09.23 Standing Items Village Green / Recreation Ground. Some trees had been damaged and Hazel Brown explained about the possibility of a hedge area around the Village Green. Grants were available for replacing equipment although Sandhurst where unable to apply due to finances being too high.

New trees were agreed to be ordered from the Woodland Trust and GCC with delivery in November.

The issue of moving the Playground to the Village Green was still under review with the Village needing to be involved.

Playground had been inspected and reports submitted. Details held with the Clerk.

12.09..23 Footpath Report. In order to place 5 Kissing Gates in place of styles the following locations were decided subject to landowners approving the change: -

Base Lane ESA33, Singleton Farm ESA23, Brawn Farm ESA4, Abloads Court ESA 34 and Pennels Farm ESA5.

As Simon Booth was overseeing the installation and not charging the Chair agreed that the Parish Council would also purchase a Kissing Gate for all his help. This was well received by the meeting.

Any remaining donation money would be used for new Kissing Gates whilst the budget money left after the purchase of the kissing gate by the Council would be for repairs.

13.09.23 Clerk Report. D – Day 80th in 2024 had been circulated. It was agreed to light a beacon on 6 June at 9.15pm.

Civility & Respect. Document circulated with the Councillors agreeing to take the pledge and sign up.

Members interest forms will be put on the website.

Rural Primary Schooling. Letter from a resident to GRCC about the lack of rural schooling. Councillors advised that this was also a problem at Sandhurst with no school and that the nearest was Norton. GRCC would be informed.

14.09.23 Correspondence. As circulated to Cllr's.

15.09.23 TW gave his apologies for the next Meeting.

Next Meeting at Sandhurst Village Hall at 7.30pm on Monday 2 October 2023.

The Chair closed the Meeting at 9.05pm

Signature Chair	Date