

## SEDGEHILL and SEMLEY PARISH COUNCIL

**Minutes** of the **meeting** held on Monday 6<sup>th</sup> September 2021 at Semley Village Hall, commencing 7.30pm.

**Filmed, photographed or audio recorded:**

The Chairman confirmed no part of the meeting was filmed, photographed or audio recorded.

**Public Open Session:** (Questions and/or statements)

No members of the public present or questions received in advance of the commencement of the meeting.

**Wiltshire Councillor's Report:** Bridget Wayman.

Reminder that the AB expects Parish/Town Councils to support village hall grant applications with match funding.

Emphasised the importance to respond to the Climate Change Consultation (closing date 17<sup>th</sup> October 2021) especially the "Our Natural Environment Plan – A Green and Blue Infrastructure (GBI) Strategy for Wiltshire. Tree planting project - Right Tree Right Place very important, the AONB has a very useful tool-kit.

Next Area Board meeting on the 15<sup>th</sup> September 2021 with the Police & Crime Commissioner attending on line.

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**Apologies:**

Cllr Y Barclay and Cllr A Bowerman. Reasons for absence acknowledged and approved by the Parish council.

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**Present:**

Cllr D Curless (Chair of meeting), Cllr T Duthie, Cllr L Oatts, Cllr L Stopford, Cllr A Ebbens, Cllr P Hankinson and Cllr G Wilde.

In attendance: Parish Clerk Bev Ford and W Cllr Bridget Wayman.

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**Dispensations:**

Any Parish Councillor wishing to declare interests should do so at this point:

1. declarations of disclosable pecuniary and non-pecuniary interests already declared in the Register of Interests. [None received.](#)
2. declarations of disclosable pecuniary and non-pecuniary interests not previously declared in the Register of Interests. [Cllr D Duthie 031/9/21 a. Semley Village Hall](#)
3. dispensations: if required. [Not required.](#)

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**Adopt Minutes of Meetings:**

Minutes of the meeting held on 7<sup>th</sup> July 2021 were adopted and signed as a true record. Proposed by Cllr A Ebbens and seconded by Cllr L Stopford (unanimous).

Previous Action Points:

019/7/21 b. Traffic Speed – DC and GW please see below agenda item 032/09/21 c.

“ “ “ c. Grit/Salt Bins – DC update please see agenda item below 031/9/21 d.

“ “ “ d. Station Works – GW update please see agenda item below 031/9/21 e.

“ “ “ e. Fly Tipping – AE update please see agenda item below 032/9/21

025/7/21 a. Election Process – AE wrote to MP Andrew Murrison, no further progress

“ “ “ b. Coppicing in Sedgehill – LS explained that by coppicing the hedge around the land leased by the PC, this would make annual hedge cutting much easier and over several years produce a dense hedge for birds to nest in.

- “ “ “ c. Deadly Nightshade – Complete.
- “ “ “ d. Planning – update please see agenda item 030/9/21
- “ “ “ f. Bio-Diversity audit – TD and YB and AB reports below 032/9/21

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**Planning:**

**For Consideration:**

**Application Ref:** [PL/2021/07681](#)

Application for: Householders planning permission  
 At: The Barkers, Berry Wood Lane, Barkers Hill, Semley. SP7 9BQ  
 Proposal: Demolition of existing garage and construction of new garage to the rear of the property.

Comments to be received by: **13/9/21**

Following a short discussion, the parish council were supportive of the relocation and the desire to face new garage in stone. But were concerned at the overall massing and dimension of the proposed garage. Draft response letter to be circulated and agreed by email.

**Application Ref:** [PL/2021/07659](#)

Application for: Full planning permission  
 At: Chaldicotts Barns, Semley. SP7 9AW  
 Proposal: Erection of 2no. industrial units.

Comments to be received by: **14/9/21**

Following a short discussion, the parish council were supportive of this application but would like to comment on parking and to reduce light pollution. Draft response letter to be circulated and agreed by email.

**Action:** Cllr PH to arrange a meeting for Cllr GW and the applicant.

**Considered by email:**

**Application Ref:** [PL/2021/05565](#)

Application type: Full planning permission  
 At: Church Farm, Semley. SP7 9AS  
 Proposal: Agricultural building for housing livestock during winter months  
 Comments to be received by: 05/8/21 ***SSPC – letter of approval sent to WC 5/8/21***

**Application Ref:** [PL/2021/05706](#)

Application type: Householder planning permission  
 At: Langlands, Street Lane, Semley. SP7 9HG  
 Proposal: Proposed rear extension, internal alterations and loft conversion of main house and proposed internal alterations of annex building.

Comments to be received by: 11/08/21 ***No letter of response required.***

**Application Ref:** [PL/2021/06423](#)

Application type: Householder planning permission  
 At: The Manse, Semley Common, [Semley. SP7 9AU](#)  
 Proposal: Removal of the existing conservatory and replaced with an orangery extension.

Comments to be received by: 13/08/21 ***No letter of response required.***

**Application Ref:** [PL/2021/06329](#)

Application for: Full planning permission

At: Land lying to the West of A350 near Sedgehill  
Proposal: Erection of a central grain store with adjoining “lean-to” parts to offer general purpose agricultural storage.  
Comments to be received by: 20/8/21 **No letter of response required.**

**Application Ref:** PL/2021/06561  
Application type: Full planning permission  
At: Land North of Sedgehill. SP7 9JN. (Alpaca Farm)  
Proposal: Erection of shed for livestock, storage and feed plus erection of hay barn  
Comments by: 27/08/21 **SSPC agreed in principle – letter sent to WC 27/8/21**

For Information only – applications pending decision by Wiltshire Council:

20/09188/Ful	Lower Marshes Farm, Semley	Target date 15/12/20
20/09189/Ful	Lower Marshes Farm, Semley	Target date 15/12/20
PL/2021/04886	Lower House Farm, Street Lane, SP7 9JF	Target date 02/08/21

For Information only – decisions by Wiltshire Council:

PL/2021/05097	Copse View, Semley.	Approved	20/07/21
PL/2021/05339	Hatts Farm, Semley. SP7 9A	Refused	30/07/21
PL/2021/06442	Semley School	No objection	02/08/21
PL/2021/05018	Land at Littledown. SP7	Refuse	11/08/21
PL/2021/05261	Land at Littledown. SP7	Approve	06/08/21
PL/2021/06423	Langlands, Street Lane, Semley.	Approved	02/09/21
PL/2021/06423	The Manse, Semley Common.	Approved	13/08/21

*Applications within Parish of Donhead St Mary*

PL/2021/05018	Land at Littledown (E-Bike course)	Refused	11/08/21
PL/2021/05261	Land at Littledown (Barn)	Approved	06/08/21

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**Matters for Consideration/Resolutions:**

- a. Semley Village Hall Audio-Visual and Hearing Loop Project – (TD) It is an expectation of the SWAB for the parish/town councils to support Community Grant Applications. Following a short discussion, it was **proposed by** Cllr L Oatts and seconded by Cllr L Stopford (unanimous) to endorse this project and support the village hall application with a 5% match funding equalling £250.00
- b. Climate Change & Bio Diversity – (TD)
  - i. Notes from SWAB virtual meeting 26/7/21 (previously circulated 14/8/21)
  - ii. Terms of Reference – proposed working Group (previously circulated 14/8/21)Following a short discussion, full support was given to setting up a working group, **proposed by** Cllr T Duthie and seconded by Cllr A Bowerman (unanimous) to adopt the above draft Terms of Reference).
- c. Wildflower Meadows - (AE) The engagement and education of people is very important. There are lots of great ideas being put forward but not always possible to put into practice due to soil types and complexities of nature. Sedgehill are trying to create a wild flower area at the grass area by village pond.

- d. Tree planting – (DC) Land management system to help fight climate change. The parish council does not own any land within the parish. Suggest approaching the Woodland Trust.
- e. Grit/Salt Bins
  - Hatts Cottage – (LS) Until drainage issue is resolved a grit bin would not alleviate this quantity of ice. Some work has been carried out to drains but more required.
  - Sem Hill – (DC) has spoken to residents, mixed views with only one person at present who feels strongly the need for a grit bin. No action at present.
- f. Tisbury – Station Works proposed development – (DC/Clerk) No further development.

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#### Reports:

- a. Area Board – (LS/AE) / Cross Border Issues – (LO/AE) Nothing further to report.
- b. Community Safety/Emergency Planning – (PH) Lesson to be learnt from Pandemic. Check who leads the Snow/Flood support at WC and obtain copy of gritting route for this area.
- c. Transport / Highways (incl. SID) –
 

(DC) Paul Shaddock is happy to trial double white lines on the A350 through CATG. 2 Traffic Speed surveys requested (2 on A350 and 3 into Semley).

(AE) Pot holes. The small, but dangerous (for cyclists) pothole next to Dairy Cottages on Station Road has still not been filled. A350 Railway Bridge by Station Road Junction. Still floods every time there is rain because the run-off ditches (west side of A350) get blocked by silt washed down the hill. This causes traffic to move to the centre of the road on the railway bridge which is dangerous. When this freezes in the winter, it is particularly hazardous. WC Highways need to build proper concrete run-offs, that don't get blocked by silt rather than paying to keep clearing the soil run-off ditches (Like Dorset Council have done on the A350 near Lychett Matravers). Obscured Road Signs on A350/Station Rd Junction. Foliage cleared behind the safety barrier, so the signs were visible to drivers heading west on Station Rd (Before and after photos sent to SSPC).
- d. ROW – (AE) Nothing Significant to report, but AE will chase WC Countryside Access Officer for an update on the following priorities:
  - **Priority 1 - SESE5 (Mt Pleasant)** – WC RoW have enforcement action in progress for this RoW to be put in the right place.
  - **Priority 2 – SESE48 (Lower Liston Farm Area)** –WC RoW to resolve the position of the RoW with the landowner so that access is not obstructed when the driveway gate is locked.
  - **Priority 3 – SESE8 (Greystones to Sweetwell at BW SESE7)** –WC RoW, in cooperation with SSPC RoW and Land Owners (LOs), will re-instate this FP once his volunteer workforce is available. Bridges and stiles will be erected.
  - **Footpaths that Cross the Common Land in the Centre of Semley.** AE had a meeting with Mr Allfrey reference relaying the asphalt footpath (SESE34) from Church Farm (Semley) to the Old Forge area. Mr Allfrey will secure a quote and

seek funding from the Village Shop. Also discussed were SESE35 (behind the school) which will be cleared and improved when the volunteer has time. Also discussed improving the east end of SESE32, near the old chapel. Comment - A drainage solution (under the road) needs to be completed before replacing the raised walk-way over the waterlogged and flooded gateway. The slope down to the junction of SESE35/36 from the shop direction is slippery and dangerous – we have the LO permission to resolve this in an environmentally-friendly manner.

- e. Fly Tipping – (AE) 4 x Fly-tipping/CCTV Warning Signs purchased (£39.99) and put out at “Ladder Height”, with landowner’s permission (One just west of Knipes Farm, one at west end of “Quiet” Lane, one at top of Hatt’s Farm Lane and one on the lane that divides the WWT ridgeline woodland).
  - An email will be sent to WC and local police to arrange a meeting to refine “Fly-tipping responses and procedures” (PCSO [daniel.gill@wiltshire.police.uk](mailto:daniel.gill@wiltshire.police.uk) has replaced Peter Tscherniawsky).
  - Report at next meeting.
- g. Health & Wellbeing – (LO/LS) Nothing to report / Defib – (AE) Regular Defib checks and reports are completed (weekly). First Responder Training. AE will contact friend in S Wales Fire Service to see if and when he can next deliver Defib and First Responder training to residents (in next 12 months).
- h. Environment (Climate Change and Bio-diversity) – (TD) See above 031/09/21 b + c.
- i. Publicity / Communications (incl. Website – (DC) Following the circulation of quotes and demo links for new website, informal meeting on 28<sup>th</sup> September to explore which style would best suit SSPC.
- j. Litter picking – (LO) Following a major litter pick, areas have remained clean.

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**Finance:**

- a. Income & expenditure report – as at 31<sup>st</sup> August 2021 (previously circulated). Cheque numbers 000981 to 000988 totaling £1,249.95 approved for payment. All agreed to processing of payments. Cllr T Duthie agreed to join Finance Committee and Cllr D Curless and Cllr T Duthie to be added as new signatories.

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**Items for information / next agenda:** Draft precept 2022/23. Website.

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**Dates of future meetings:** All meetings commence at 7.30pm unless otherwise stated.  
Full Parish Council meetings: Monday 1<sup>st</sup> November 2021 - Sedgehill Village Hall  
Planning meetings (if required): 5<sup>th</sup> October + 7<sup>th</sup> December - Sedgehill Village Hall

With no further business the meeting was closed at 9.45pm

Name: ..... Signature: ..... Date: .....