

Sockbridge & Tirril Parish Council

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Minutes of the Sockbridge & Tirril Parish Council Meeting held at Tirril Reading Rooms, on Monday 9 January 2017 at 5.30pm

Present: Cllr Haydn Morris chaired the meeting, with Cllr David Owens, Cllr Richard Relph, Cllr Sindy Phillips, Cllr Philip Greening and Cllr Gary Strong (CCC)

In Attendance:

4 members of the public

84/16 Apologies

- Cllr Ian Chambers (EDC)

85/16 Declarations of Interest

- None

86/16 Minutes

- The minutes of the Council meeting held on 7 November 2016 were agreed for signing and initialling as a true record (Circulated prior to meeting).

87/16 Exclusion of Press & Public (Public Bodies Admission to Meetings Act 1960)

- Not applicable to any agenda items.

88/16 Public Participation

- None

89/16 District & County Council Representation

- Cllr Ian Chambers did not attend the meeting, but advised that there is a review of waste collections.
- Cllr Gary Strong attended the meeting and advised:
 - CCC budget consultation
 - Gary is not standing for re-election in May after 16 years. Cllr Haydn Morris thanked Gary and wished him well in his retirement from Council.
 - Funding is still available from Gary's divisional fund

90/16 Community Led Plan

- Cllr Sindy Phillips gave an update on the progress of the Community Led Plan, which is attached to the minutes.

91/16 Local Plan

- Cllr Haydn Morris informed the Parish Council that there have been delays in the adoption of the local plan, which is hopefully going to be put out to consultation in February, for adoption in July.
- Cllr Philip Greening advised that the proposed local plan is being presented to the council on 10 January 2017.

92/16 Lowther Housing Proposal

- Cllr Haydn Morris reported on the proposed housing development by Lowther Estates. Details of which are attached to the minutes.
- Cllr Sindy Philips proposed: Sockbridge & Tirril Parish Council supports the results of the parish referendum held in October 2015, in opposing the idea of Key Hub status, and thereby in principle oppose large scale housing developments. This was seconded by Cllr Richard Relph and agreed by all.

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93/16 Footway Lighting

- The Parish Council discussed the foot way lighting and is pleased that progress has been made:
 - Light 2 (The Green) – The column is to be installed W/C 16/01/2017; Alf Fenwick has agreed to sign a wayleave for the electrical connection
 - Light 3 (Black Sheep Barn) – New column has been installed
- Thanks to Cllr Ian Chambers for his input.

94/16 Wicket at the Quaker Burial Ground

- The Wicket and wall at the Quaker was discussed, and Cedric was thanked for repairing these and providing a plaque for the wicket

95/16 Dog Fouling

- Cllr Haydn Morris & Cllr Sindy Phillips informed the parish council that the issue of dog fouling has not improved. The clerk to contact EDC to request further new signage, and to request a progress report on the request for a new bin

96/16 Draft Budget

- The proposed draft budget was discussed and it was agreed to increase the CLP budget to £150.00.

97/16 Highways Update

- The works completed at Bob Lonning have slightly improved visibility but are not a permanent solution. The traffic from Askham travels too fast, and if this was controlled this could help to reduce the problem. Cllr Gary Strong to contact highways.
- Potholes – Cllr Gary Strong to report the potholes in the parish including those on the road towards Sockbridge Mill, as requested by Simon Brown.
- Highways Hotline – Parishioners are able to report highways issues using the highways hotline - 0300 303 2992 - www.cumbria.gov.uk/highwayshotline

98/16 Clerk's Update

- **Correspondence** – All correspondence circulated
- Letter from Cedric Bell regarding surface, sewerage, foul water was discussed, and it was agreed for Cedric to draft a letter for the parish council to send to EDC.

99/16 Planning

- The Parish Council ratified the following decisions made on planning applications since the last meeting:
 - 16/0986 – Wordsworth House, Sockbridge - Listed building consent for the addition of a slate vent to roof – No objections.
 - 16/1105 – Stonehouse, Sockbridge - Listed building consent for addition of window to north elevation – No objections.

100/16 Finance

- The Cash Book for December 2016 & January 2017 was approved for signing by the Chairman

<u>DATE</u>	<u>DESCRIPTION</u>	<u>EXPENDITURE</u>	<u>INCOME</u>
09-01-17	R Kelly Wages	£ 181.24	
09-01-17	HMRC	£ 45.40	
09-01-17	R Kelly Expenses	£ 30.99	
<u>Cheques agreed at the meeting</u>			
09-01-17	Sockbridge & Tirril Reading Rooms	£ 10.00	

- It was agreed to sign the withdrawal form to withdraw £500 from the savings account to the current account.

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101/16 Date of the next meeting

- The next Parish Council meeting will be held on Monday 6 March 2017, at Tirril Reading Rooms at 5.30pm

The meeting was closed at 18.10

Item 90/16 Community Led Plan – Report from Cllr Cindy Phillips

The Steering Group has met twice since the last STPC meeting. We are currently consulting with all village groups and businesses, to help us find out their views and ideas. This consultation will shortly draw to a close, and we will then begin the process of evaluating and processing the list of ideas we have received.

We are planning to hold an open event in March 2017 to enable villagers to determine what features in the CLP questionnaire.

The questionnaire will be sent to everybody on the electoral register. The results of the questionnaire will help us to create an action plan and the final Community Led Plan, which will be launched in March 2018.

Item 92/16 Lowther Housing Proposal – Report from Cllr Haydn Morris

Savills, on behalf of the Lowther Estate, have informed the Parish Council that they are considering making a planning application for the development of around 25 houses to the south-west of Sockbridge. Savills asked to meet parish councillors and gave us the following information. They propose to submit an outline planning application to Eden District Council. If outline permission were granted, the site would be marketed to a developer. Details such as layout and access arrangements would be submitted to Eden District Council at a later date.

Parish councillors explained that the residents of Sockbridge & Tirril in the recent referendum were strongly opposed to such development schemes. Also, following thorough consideration of the issues at the Local Plan hearings this year, Eden District Council is likely to remove Sockbridge & Tirril from the list of Key Hubs for housing development. There are strong arguments on sustainability grounds against such development here.

Should the Lowther Estate decide to pursue these proposals, we requested that Lowther and Savills should attend a public meeting in the village, so that people can be informed in more detail and can express their views.