

MINUTES OF THE SUTTON PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD IN THE READING ROOM ON
MONDAY 15 DECEMBER 2008 AT 7.30 PM

Members of the Council Present: Dan Rose (DR) - *Chairman*, Peter Lee (PL), Melvyn Hill (MH), Robbie Reid (RR), Mike Caskey (MC), Patricia Stuart-Mogg (Clerk)

Member of the Public: None

	Action
1. Apologies: Cllr. Diane Lamb, Mr. Rob Hilton	
2. Declaration of Interests: None	
3. Minutes of the Parish Council meeting – 20 October 2008: These were circulated, agreed and signed as a true record of the meeting.	
4. Matters arising from those Minutes: None	
5. Quiet Lanes: MC reported that research illustrated a request for a 20mph speed limit in the village would be a very pragmatic approach. Locations where this had been applied compare very favourably in rural setting such as Sutton, but it is recognised that this speed restriction is only advisory. Following discussion it was considered whether the installation of traffic bumps could be another alternative on the approach to the entrance of the village. However, this would require additional signage which was not ideal. It was agreed that more evidence should be gathered to support Sutton's argument and canvas support from other parish councils. MC agreed to draft letter to submit.	MC/PSM
6 & 7. Church Renovation Project & Licence: The Clerk advised that Cllr Diane Lamb had confirmed approval had been granted for a contribution of £1000 towards the Church renovation project. The Licence between the Parochial Church Council and the Parish Council is being drafted and will possibly be available for consideration by the next Parish Council meeting in February. The outline agreement is a period of 60 years, with the possible cost of heating, electricity, water and maintenance being shared. Following discussion, it was agreed that there remained a few outstanding issues which require clarification and will be pursued by PL.	PL
8. Sutton Village Public Telephone Box. PL reported Jim Daley, P'boro CC Conservation Officer, had requested the Sutton Telephone Box to be considered listed as a feature of architectural interest. But English Heritage will only list boxes situated near listed buildings. It was noted that the Sutton Telephone Box had not yet been identified by BT for decommissioning.	
9. Planning: a. 08/01279/FUL- <i>Singleton Manor Road, First floor extension and roof terrace to rear.</i> Following discussion it was agreed that there was no objection and it was noted permission had been granted.	

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<p>10. Finance</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Hedge Planting Recreation Ground Phase 3</i>: MH advised £300 was earmarked for Phase 3 of the planting scheme in the Recreation Ground. It was discussed whether the Parish Council should include this open space for a proper children's play area. It was considered that this had been previously investigated but due to security and liability implications not thought to be a viable project. • <i>Financial Report and Precept 2009/10</i>: MH presented the Annual Revenue Budget & Precept for the Year 2009/10. Following discussion it was considered the budget heading Sundry Hedge Planting should be amended to Sundry Repairs. This should incorporate wall repairs such as the Village Dog Pound, and Environmental projects. PL agreed to investigate the possibility of a Lister Building or Environmental grant towards the Village Pound wall repairs. It was proposed by the Chairman, seconded by PL, that the Gross Precept for 2009/10 is set at £3015. This was agreed. • <i>Accounts for Payment</i>: £115.72 – Mrs. P Stuart-Mogg (Tax - £29) This was agreed. 	
<p>11. Correspondence Received.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Planning Obligations Implementation Scheme</i> – Two events are being organised on 8 January at 15.30 and 18.30 at Peterborough College of Adult Education where the scheme will be presented and comments received. PL and the Clerk will attend. • <i>Rural Planning</i> – The Clerk advised Mr. Dale Barker, P'boro. Development Control Team member, responsible for planning in the Rural Area, intended to visit all Parish Councils. Following discussion it was considered it might be more practical to co-ordinate this visit with neighbouring parish councils' in Wansford and Castor. • <i>Planning Policies DPD/Site Allocations</i> – Sutton's response to the consultation had been acknowledged. • <i>P'Boro Committee Services Management System</i>: This will be used to manage P'boro CC meetings and publicise a range of other related tasks. A demonstration of the system is anticipated at the January Liaison Meeting. • <i>Robbie Reid Resignation</i>: Due to business commitments it is with deep regret that RR has had to submit his resignation. The Chairman thanked RR for all his support, time and efforts as a valuable member of the Parish Council. His period of service was greatly appreciated. The Clerk will notify the Returning Officer, so the vacancy can be advertised, as required by statute. The Parish Council was pleased that Robert Hilton had expressed interest in taking over from Robbie. 	<p>PL / PSM</p> <p>PSM</p> <p>PSM</p>
<p>12. Matters for Consideration:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Old A47 Bus Stop by Nene Way</i> – PL had contacted P'Boro CC to determine the bus shelter and seat which had been removed would be reinstated. He had been advised that a scoring criterion would be used to identify whether either should be provided. It is estimated that the cost to replace the shelter would be approx. £10K 	
<p>13. 2009 Meeting Schedule: To be held in the Reading Room at 7.45pm, unless otherwise determined: Monday - 16 February, Monday - 20 April Wednesday - 06 May (provisional) Wednesday - 27 May (Annual Parish & Annual Parish Council Meeting), Monday - 13 July Monday - 14 September Monday - 09 November (provisional) Monday - 14 December</p>	