

**South Mimms Parish Council Minutes of the Meeting**  
**Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> May 2022 at 7.30 pm at the Village Hall**

Present: Cllr McCaffrey (Chairperson), Cllr Thomas ,Cllr Johnson, Clerk: Natalie Gettings  
Nine members of the public in person and three via Zoom.

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9. **Welcome** from SMPC's Chairperson who read the mission statement.
10. Apologies for absence were received from the Cllr Myers and Cllr Hedison
11. No declarations of Councillors' interests pertaining to Agenda items were noted.
12. The minutes of the last meeting were signed by the Chairperson.

**13. Community Information:**

- Improvement works on the kissing gate on footpath 30 are due to start this month, the path will remain open.
- Book and Puzzle Swap : The first Book Swap is planned for Friday 27<sup>th</sup> May in the afternoon. Confirmation and details will be confirmed on our website and Social Media closer to the time. Please have a clear out.
- Resident Neil Johnson has very kindly said that he will undertake the works to repair the grass area at the top of Black Horse Lane and put in posts to stop walkers paring their vehicles there and running the grass. SMPC will still use CIL funds to buy a bench (and possibly a tree) to provide a rest stop for those on foot.

**Planning & Planning Enforcement:**

14. The following applications were NOTED with no public representations.
  - 5 Blanche Lane, part single part two storey rear extension plus conversion of garage to habitable space 22/0656/HSE
  - Brook House Galley Lane, single storey rear extension 22/0594/PD42
  - 73 Blanche Lane (Cedar House) single storey side extension to include green roof and solar panels to garage.
15. Also NOTED:
  - White Hart Pub, no applications at the time of agenda publication
  - The Public Enquiry in to Aggregates Site next to Romani house no new date received from Planning Inspector as at the time of agenda publication. This is being chased continually by the Clerk.
  - No further news on the Ridge Parish Governance Review.

Signed by Chairperson:

Date:

- A decision has been made by Hertsmere Borough Council on the way forward with the Draft Local Plan, which will now be substantially re-written with the current version ‘set aside’ due to the high levels of objections, particularly in green belt areas.

**Finance:**

16. No large items to note or approve.

**Any Other Business:**

17. Any items at the discretion of the Chairperson:

- Cllr Thomas gave an update on the works to clear and then reinforce ‘The Brook’. Some trees behind houses that back onto The Brook have been listed.
- Anti-social behaviour in the park has been reported to The Police.
- More grab lorries have been seen up by the cattery – Hertsmere Enforcement to be informed as these were on a Bank Holiday.
- The Chairperson thanked everyone for attending and also made comment that she will not be available to attend the next couple of meetings as she is undergoing an operation on her jaw, but will be available for consultation by the Clerk still.

18. **Next Meetings** 9<sup>nd</sup> June (not the 2<sup>nd</sup> due to the Bank Holiday) which will include the AGM of the Council 7<sup>th</sup> July.

The Meeting closed at 8.10pm

Signed by Chairperson:

Date: