*MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF SAMLESBURY & CUERDALE PARISH COUNCIL*

*HELD ON THURSDAY 25th MARCH 2021 VIA ZOOM*

*PRESENT*

Aimee Barton Parish Clerk, Graham Young Chairman   
Parish Councillors Sue Redmayne, George Whalley, Clare Lewis, Michael Higginson, Alison Gerrard, Glen Clayton, Cllrs Barrie Yates, Peter Mullineaux, Louise Davis and 6 members of the public.

*ITEM 1 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE*

None.

*ITEM 2 DECLARATION OF INTEREST*

2.1 Register of Interests – Councillors were reminded of the need to update their register of interest.

2.2 Two members disclosed a personal or prejudicial interests in a matter to be discussed within the meeting.

*ITEM 3 ACCEPTANCE OF THE MINUTES OF THE MEETING*

3.1 The minutes of the meeting held on 28th January 2021 were accepted as a true record.

*ITEM 4 MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES*

4.1 Chairman’s report.

4.1.1 A letter has been received informing the council of an application that has been submitted regarding the extraction of sand and gravel at Lower Hall Farm. When the planning comes forward an extra meeting will be held by Samlesbury and Cuerdale planning committee to discuss this matter further. An e-mail has been received stating that this planning has been validated and it is now available for online viewing. The Road will come through two protected woods, past the church and onto the highway. There are traffic concerns, historical concerns, and concerns over protected woodland regarding this planning application. Cllr Yates can listen to any information brought forward but has stated that he cannot comment once this application has been to committee. Peter Mullineaux has reminded Cllr Yates that he does not say too much on this matter as he does not want his position to be compromised in any way.

4.1.2 Regarding the former Windmill Hotel, nothing new has been brought forward due to the current situation regarding COVID-19. Once a date has been submitted for a full committee meeting, the Parish Council will hold a meeting with the Parish Planning Committee to discuss this further.

4.1.3 The chairman has expressed his thanks to Louise Davis for attending the last Parish Council meeting.

4.1.4 Quite a few people have come forward wanting to join the Grow Tomatoes competition being held by South Ribble Bourgh Council. Full schools cannot enter, but information on this competition has been sent to the local schools to encourage the individual pupils to get involved.

4.1.5 The Parish will join in the Village in Bloom competition being held by South Ribble Bourgh Council. This competition will be held virtually via photographs that have been submitted by residents of the parish to South Ribble.

4.1.6 The chairman has stated that once a week or once a fortnight he has conversations with Cllr Yates about any issues within the Parish, these issues then get resolved.

4.1.7 Still looking into whether the wall on Spring Lane has a protected status, where can we find this out? United Utilities are wanting to replace the wall with a fence. If the wall is protected, then the wall must be rebuilt. The chairman is to speak to Fiona, as she can advise if the wall has got a protected status. If the wall is not protected would the Parish Council object to a fence to replace the wall? It was brought to the Parish Council’s attention that if the wall is being replaced by a fence then planning permission is required. Michael has volunteered to be a representative on this case.

4.1.8 The grass verges are still being pushed back on Nabs Lane due to the amount of HGV’s using this road. Landscaping will commence when work has finished. It is a condition from Lancashire County Council (L.C.C) that these are to be corrected once work has finished.

4.1.9 Work has begun on the HGV park at the Brewery. This should ease the parking of HGV’s on Cuerdale Lane outside the Brewery.

4.1.10 Cllr Yates is to find out all information regarding work on Cuerdale Lane, request an enforcement officer onto this?

4.1.11 Question to Cllr Yates: Has he heard anything from Unitied Utilities as we have had no response form them? Answer: No, but all he has been told is that its pressure from the water in the field. The work is down in United Utilities list of work to be done, but we are still waiting for a date.

*ITEM 5 MATTERS RAISED BY THE PUBLIC*

* 1. Follow up regarding a pavement from the Bluebird Driving Range on Preston New Road leading to Sir Fredricks Page Way.

5.1.1 This is to be added to next month’s Agenda for discussion.

* 1. An e-mail has been received from a member of the public with a number of questions regarding planning and greenbelt. Could the council give a response to these questions? (e-mail sent out to all Parish Council members)
     1. The chairman appreciates what has been said within the e-mail and he will deal with this issue.
     2. As decided, with the previous clerk, if no objections are brought forward by the Parish Council regarding any planning applications then no action was taken. It has now been decided that it will be written on the minutes whether the Council are in favour or not. Where action is to be taken this will be stated on the minutes along with any conditions.
     3. Greenbelt is at the very heart of the Chairman, and he will do all he can on any issues regarding greenbelt.
     4. The council has stated that perhaps not enough communication took place regarding the Brook House Farm application. The local enforcement officer was involved with this case and had gone to investigate Brook House Farm three times.
  2. A member of the public has forwarded an e-mail regarding planning application Monte Blackburn Limited 3/2020/1059/1060. Advice from council members on how to respond to this e-mail. (e-mail sent out to all Council members)
     1. This planning application concerning Stanley House has been brought to the Parish’s attention. The planning application is doubling the former size of Stanley House, a local resident is concerned regarding the amount of traffic that may increase through Mellor Brook. People arriving to Stanley House from the A59 are directed through Mellor Brook, signage should be changed to divert traffic towards Sir Fredrick Page Way. A letter requesting a travel plan is to be sent out, also a letter requesting the change of signage. Clerk to request this information.
  3. It has been brought to the Parish Council attention that an application for the extraction of sand and gravel and associated works at Lower Hall Farm, Samlesbury has been submitted and is currently going through the verification process. This is not yet visible on LCC applications website.

5.4.1 Mentioned in 4.1.1

*ITEM 6 MATTERS RAISED BY THE COUNCIL*

6.1 A drain on Roach Road outside Home Farm has been dug up, a fence has been put around the hole, but no further work has been carried out. Cllr Yates to look into this matter.

6.2 A car has been dumped outside the paper mill on Roach Road who do we ring regarding this issue? The chairman to speak to the enforcement officer.

6.3 Cuedale Lane was closed with no warning for re-surfacing work. It has been patched up for now but a top coat will be applied at some point.

6.4 Potholes on Cuerdale Lane where only repaired 6 weeks ago, why is it now being dug up again and without any warning? This is due to other companies not talking together before work is carried out.

6.5 What will happen if the road is shut for a prolonged period of time when the farmers will be using the roads at one of their very busy periods with no warning? Traffic lights should be used, if they are to shut the road due to resurfacing. Apologies were sent from L.C.C as traffic lights where not used for point 6.3. In future, an e-mail should be sent to the clerk informing the parish council when roads will be shut, clerk can then post this to the webpage.

6.6 Samlesbury War Memorial Hall have asked the council if the council notice board can be moved nearer towards the Civic Society garden? No objections to move this, but planning is required for this to happen.

6.7 What is going on at the former Mezzo Italian Restaurant site? Mezzo had shut down, was advertised for office space, now is serving take away pizzas? The Council have been informed, that the building is still being advertised for office space, but the former manager of Mezzo has hired out the kitchens for the foreseeable future for take away services.

6.8 The Council has expressed its thanks for the extra representatives that have been attending the Parish Council meetings. This has been working well.

*ITEM 7 ACCOUNTS*

7.1 Expenditure

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| 25.03.2021 | Cheque 514 | Newsletter | £58.60 |
| 25.03.2021 | Cheque 515 | Newsletter inserts | £7.90 |
| 25.03.2021 | Cheque 516 | LALC Subscription | £254.20 |
| 25.03.2021 | Cheque 517 | Clerk Feb/March wage | £300 |
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Proposed and second.

* 1. E-mail has been received from the treasurer of Samlesbury Memorial Hall regarding any missed meetings hall hire. Last year during the pandemic, the rent for the hall was used as a donation towards the hall, is this the same for these meetings missed? (e-mail has been sent out to all Parish Council members)
     1. Parish are to discuss this item at the next Parish Council Meeting, which is hopefully to be held at Samlesbury War Memorial Hall. There are three meetings left.
  2. Bowland Pennine Mountain Rescue Team have sent a letter out. They are looking to raise funds of around £10,000 to replace vital equipment needed to ensure safe rescues are carried out. Can we help by donating any funds for this course?

7.2.2 To be discussed at the next Parish Council Meeting.

*ITEMS 8 PLANNING APPLICATIONS*

8.1 07/2021/00083/DIS - Outline application for the expansion of existing aerospace manufacturing and engineering facility to include additional industrial (57,844 sq m) and office space (39,048 sq m) with associated access, car parking, surface water attenuation works and ancillary reception building, creche and restaurant (total ancillary floorspace 2,916 sq m) at Military Aircraft Division Samlesbury Aerodrome, Myerscough Smithy Road, Balderstone, Blackburn, Lancashire, BB2 7LF. BAE Samlesbury Aerodrome Whalley Road Samlesbury Blackburn Lancashire BB2 7LB - Conditions discharged 5th March 2021.

It has been highlighted to remind BAE that buildings need to be kept to two stories high, and that screening should be used. The Parish Council will remind BAE regarding buildings being kept to two stories on all planning applications. It has been brought to attention that two million pounds have been spent on Gas and Electric mains.

8.2 07/2021/00092/ADE - Application for prior approval for the erection of a replacement agricutural building for use as workshop and equipment store. Knights Farm Green Lane Samlesbury Preston Lancashire PR5 0RJ.

An interest from the council has been declared. No objections from the Council, no reason why this should not be passed.

8.3 07/2021/00125/DIS - Application to Discharge Conditions No. 5 (Nesting Birds), 7 (Protection of Watercourses), 10 (Protective Fencing), 12 (Burning of Waste Material), 13 (Working Hours), 14 (Delivery Times), 15 (Contamination) 18 (Wheel Wash) of planning permission 07/2020/00944/FUL. Brook House Farm Goosefoot Lane Samlesbury Preston Lancashire PR5 0RP.

Work should not be started now, as birds are nesting.

8.4 07/2021/00116/HOH - Single storey extension to front to create a porch. Kenmore Preston New Road Samlesbury Lancashire PR5 0UP.

No objections received.

8.5 07/2021/00142/CLU - Certificate of lawful development (existing use) for use of land as domestic curtilage. The Almonds Goosefoot Lane Samlesbury Preston Lancashire PR5 0RQ.

An objection will be going in from the council, as planning permission should have been sought beforehand.

8.6 07/2021/00180/LDO - Earthworks and drainage to the area south east of the EZ spine road (Sir Frederick Page Way) in order to create level development platforms for future plots as part of the development of the Enterprise Zone. BAE Samlesbury Aerodrome Whalley Road Samlesbury Blackburn Lancashire BB2 7LB.

No objections received, but the council will stress that buildings should not be higher than two stories and that appropriate screening should be in place.

8.7 07/2021/00208/NOT - Agricultural Storage Buildings. Huntleys County Stores Huntley Gate Farm Whalley Road Samlesbury Preston Lancashire PR5 0UN.

An objection from the council will be going in, as Huntley’s is not a farm. Therefore, no agricultural building should be needed, we do not know the size of the building that is proposed for permission and it is being built on greenbelt land.

8.8 07/2021/00222/LDO - The Lancashire Advanced Engineering and Manufacturing Enterprise Zone (Samlesbury) Local Development Order No 2 (2014) (LDO): Earthworks and Drainage (northern plots). BAE Samlesbury Aerodrome Whalley Road Samlesbury Blackburn Lancashire BB2 7LB.

No objections received, but the council will stress that buildings should not be higher than two stories and that appropriate screening should be in place.

Member’s Decisions.

8.9 07/2020/00604/HAZ - Application for hazardous substance consent for the manufacture, storage and supply of hazardous substances. BAE Samlesbury Aerodrome, Whalley Road, Samlesbury, Blackburn - Consent Granted 16th February 2021.

8.10 07/2021/00083/DIS - Discharge of conditions pursuant to outline application 07/2006/0824/OUT for the expansion of existing aerospace manufacturing and engineering facility to include additional industrial (57,844 sq m) and office space (39,048 sq m) with associated access, car parking, surface water attenuation works and ancillary reception building, creche and restaurant (total ancillary floorspace 2,916 sq m) at Military Aircraft Division Samlesbury Aerodrome, Myerscough Smithy Road, Balderstone, Blackburn, Lancashire, BB2 7LF. BAE Samlesbury Aerodrome, Whalley Road, Samlesbury, Blackburn - Conditions discharged 5th March 2021.

8.11 07/2021/00022/CLU - Certificate of Lawfulness for Confirming Existing Use of Land as a Domestic Garden Area. The Oaks, Potters Lane, Samlesbury, Preston - Certificate Granted 12th March 2021.

*ITEM 9 LCC*

9.1 On Roach Road a few of the potholes have been repaired, but it is down for resurfacing.

9.2 Have any reports come from Samlesbury School who are needing extra help from Council, regarding the COVID pandemic? The school are seeking additional funding for the children. The Council are looking at how the children have coped regarding their health during the pandemic. For any further information speak to Louise Davis.

9.3 A meeting with L.C.C and the Police is still being requested with the aim of reducing the speed limit and erecting slow down signs on Potters Lane. Slow down signs will be in force as it appears there are none near the school. It was suggested that maybe some school children could use a speed gun on the way down to the school to get involved with parents slowing down. Louise to find any information on this and report back to the Clerk.

9.4 No information has come forward from United Utilities regarding the drain on Further Lane. We have been informed it is pressure coming from water from the fields. It is down for the drain to be fixed, but still waiting for a date for this.

9.5 The council was enlightened as to Cllr Yates being voted off the planning committee. It was stated that the opposition councillors were told to declare their interest in a matter, one council member did and another did not declare. Cllr Yates complained about this but was suspended. A Barrister is on the case, it has been admitted that the member did not declare his interest. Will have to wait till next meeting wo be requested to be but back onto planning. South Ribble have admitted they were in the wrong and that Cllr Yates is right.

9.6 Peter Mullineaux has reminded Cllr Yates not to say to much on the matter and that the matter will be dealt with. He expresses his Good Luck to Cllr Yates on this matter.

9.7 It has been requested that L.C.C is moved to nearer the front of the Agenda in future and that S.R.N to be added to the Agenda.

9.8 Maybe the Parish Council could have a planning meeting before Parish Council meetings as to not discuss all planning to length at the Parish meetings. It was responded that the Parish Council does hold a Planning meeting when a big planning application has been received, to discuss the issue further.

*ITEM 10 POLICIES*

* 1. When are policies to be reviewed?

10.1.1 It has been decided that one Policy will be discussed at every meeting. Starting from next meeting.

*ITEM 11 AGREE THE DATE OF THE NEXT MEETING.*

Thursday 27th May at 7.30p.m. Meeting closed at 9.15 p.m.