

STOKE LYNE PARISH COUNCIL
Minutes of the Annual Parish Meeting of Stoke Lyne held on Tuesday 14th May 2019
in the Parish Meeting Room at 8.00pm

PRESENT: Cllr N Barnes (Chairman) Cllr J Davies, Cllr Mrs L Soper, Cllr B Wheatcroft and Cllr R Keeping.

ALSO PRESENT: 10 Parishioners

APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE: Cllr P Elliot, Cllr I Corkin, Mrs A Davies.

Chairman Nick Barnes welcomed parishioners to the meeting.

1 TO CONFIRM THE MINUTES OF THE LAST ANNUAL PARISH MEETING HELD ON TUESDAY 8TH MAY 2018

The Chairman read out the minutes from the last meeting and it was agreed that they were a true record

Proposed: Pat Cherry

Seconded: James Davies

All in favour

3 REPORT FROM COUNCILLOR CORKIN CDC/OCC (read by the Chairman)

The full report is attached. Salient points so far as Stoke Lyne is concerned are:
Major infrastructure issues locally (East/West Rail. HS2 and the Oxford to Cambridge Expressway)

4. REPORT FROM THE CHURCH

The Church is currently undergoing significant structural work to make it a multi use space. The floor has been taken up and work will soon start laying a limecrete floor. Eventually there will be a small meeting area, a kitchen and enhanced sound equipment. The Chancel is open and will be used for the EU elections later in May and for services.

4 CHAIRMANS REPORT

The Chairman updated the meeting with a synopsis of activity since the last Parish Meeting:

Broadband had been installed in the village of Stoke Lyne by the end of 2018, although Bainton is still a problem. There have needed to be some bespoke solutions, but this has meant increased cost, time and problems. Thanks are due to Cllr Davies for his work on this.

The field with the allotments in it was left fallow for many years, and then the Parish Council reached an agreement with the land owner to create some village allotments. This has recently been reviewed and the rent remains affordable, and will be reviewed in 5 years time. The Parish Council has also agreed shed/greenhouse sizes.

The route of the Oxford to Cambridge expressway is not yet known, but East/West rail should start building shortly. The new road will almost certainly have additional housing.

Cllr Corkin has funding available for small parish projects. One idea was a barbeque on the playing field – are there any others?

The Parish Council also attends CDC events and regularly liaises with CDC officers and councillors.

The Parish Council is also responsible for cutting the grass in the village. There is one contractor who cuts the playing field and another who cuts the highway verges between the 30mph signs.

Planning

Issues at Field Farm now seem to have been resolved.

There is currently an appeal against CDC's refusal of permission for warehouses at Baynards Green. The Parish Council will be making representations to the Planning Inspector.

Erection of 6 No. poultry rearing buildings and associated infrastructure

Middle Farm Featherbed Lane Mixbury Brackley NN13 5RN

Ref. No: 19/00423/F

The proposal will house some 300,000 birds and will not be a free range development

The Parish Council is likely to lodge an objection and residents are encouraged to do the same.

6. FINANCE REPORT

Copies of the end of year finance report to all Parishioners. The Village is still making savings on the insurance of the playing field., and there is a small surplus available for village projects.

5 QUESTIONS/COMMENTS

Q Who decides when the grass should be cut?

A Last year the Parish Council stopped the cut during the hot weather, but had another cut at the end of the year.

Q Is there a way the meeting details can be communicated around the village? A The email list does not belong to the Parish Council, but we will investigate.

Q There has been a significant increase in traffic on minor roads, especially on Sundays. Is there any chance of traffic calming on the Stratton Audley Road/

A We are hoping that something will come forward from E/W Rail or HS2.

8 ANY OTHER BUSINESS

Cllr Hugo Brown explained that Cllr Ian Corkin (CDC Councillor for the area) worked really hard to obtain a grant of £30,000 to assist the Church remodelling programme.

There being no further business the meeting closed at approximately 8.45pm