#### STOKE LYNE PARISH COUNCIL

# Minutes of the Virtual Meeting of Stoke Lyne Parish Council held on Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> January 2021 at 7.00pm

**PRESENT:** Councillors

N Barnes Mrs L Soper P Elliott R Allen

Also Present :- Councillor I Corkin (OCC and CDC).

#### 41 TO RECEIVE AND ACCEPT APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

B Wheatcroft and J Davies

#### 42 DECLARATION OF INTEREST IN ITEMS ON THE AGENDA

None

# 43 TO CONFIRM THE MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING HELD ON Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> October 2020

Proposer Cllr Mrs L Soper Seconded by Cllr P Elliott

It was agreed unanimously that the minutes of the meeting of 13<sup>th</sup> October 2020 were a true record of the meeting.

## 44. Co-option of Councillor

The council agreed to co-opt Richard Allen onto the Council to fill the vacancy caused by the death of Cllr Keeping.

## 45. Councillor's reports

Cllr Corkin reported that cases of COVID across CDC were increasing, and there appeared to be a slightly younger age group being hospitalised. Bicester Motion has been designated a Vaccination Hub.

OCC's budget consultation is now closed.

Flooding has recently been a major issue in the area, with river levels peaking higher than ever before. OCC delivered approximately 25,000 sandbags during the wet weather.

Cllr Corkin is working with OCC to ascertain how local communities and parish councils can work together to increase their resilience.

He was asked if the flooding has been caused by lack of maintenance of drains, ditches and gullies. His response was that critical gullies were now part of a 4 yearly inspection and maintenance programme, and OCC were trying to identify sensitive locations.

# **46. FINANCE**

The Council received a report on their current financial position and Bank Reconciliation, which is attached to these Minutes as Appendix A and which was noted. This report also shows the amount of the playing field reserve.

The council agreed to set a precept of £4662 for the year 2021/22, which is no increase in respect of the current annual payment for a band "D" property.

a Expenditure for confirmation and approval

Confirmation

None

The following payments were approved:-

# **Approval**

Date	Payee	Reason	Cheque	Amount
			Number	
12/1/21	Came and co	Insurance playing field)	100567	£648.59
12/1/21	Mrs A Davies	Cl salary	1005568	£271.05.52
12/1/21	HMRC	CI tax	100569	£67.80

Agreed unanimously.

# **47. PLANNING APPLICATIONS AND DECISIONS**

# a) Applications/Decisions

20/030/9/F	Field View Farm Bainton Crossroads Stratton Audley	Retrospective - access track
	Road Stoke Lyne OX27 8RL	
20/03099/LB	Swifts House Farm Stable Cottage Stoke Lyne OX27	Removal of a modern internal wall
	8RS	between the corridor and living
		room

No objections

#### **47. VILLAGE ISSUES**

#### **Broadband**

Openreach are now carrying out a costing exercise in Bainton, following an expression of interest in the project by 25 houses.

#### Allotments

No current issues.

# Insurance for the playing field.

The parish council agreed to pay for the insurance on the playing field.

# East/West Rail

The road to Poundon though Stratton Audley Park will be closed most of November to allow for the creation of HGV passing bays. The Clerk was asked to raise Parish concern about the speed of traffic through the top of the village with OCC and suggest traffic calming measures and a VAS.

#### **Lone Barn**

The rocks outside this property have been removed, but the verge still appears to have been raised.

# **Flooding**

While properties were not actually flooded in Bainton, the gully under the road overflowed, and the field entrance by Adams farm was flooded.

### Dog bins

Cllr Barnes agreed to liaise with residents about the installation of an additional dog bin in the village.

# 48. **CORRESPONDENCE**

The Parish Council agreed to support the reasonable cost of proposals to cut the hedge around the playing field. Cllr Barnes agreed to pursue this in conjunction with Kelly Holden White and Julie Adams.

# 49. ANY OTHER BUSINESS

Potholes in Bainton remain an issue.

#### **50. DATE OF NEXT MEETINGS**

The date of the next meeting is 11<sup>th</sup> May 2021.

There being no further business the meeting closed at 8.00pm.