

STOKE LYNE PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Meeting of Stoke Lyne Parish Council held on Tuesday 8th January 2019 at 7.00pm

PRESENT: Councillors N Barnes
Mrs L Soper
J Davies
R Keeping

Apologies: Councillor Ian Corkin (OCC and CDC), Cllr R Wheatcroft, Cllr P Elliot.

22 TO RECEIVE AND ACCEPT APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

As above.

23 DECLARATION OF INTEREST IN ITEMS ON THE AGENDA

None

24 TO CONFIRM THE MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING HELD ON TUESDAY 9th October 2018

Proposer Cllr Mrs L Soper

Seconded by Cllr R Keeping

It was agreed unanimously that the minutes of the meeting of 9th October 2018 were a true record of the meeting.

Cllr Davies has cut back the overgrown hedge by the Church, and will also look at the work required to the hedge from the Church to the playing field., which may require the use of a digger to remove overgrown roots. The work has been noted by a number of residents, who have expressed their thanks to the Parish Council. There is a fallen tree in the playing field that also needs to be removed, and it was agreed that the Parish Council would look for a party of volunteers to carry out some general tidying work in the village.

25 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.

a Expenditure for confirmation and approval

Confirmation

No payments were made which were required to be confirmed.

The following payments were approved:-

Approval

Date	Payee	Reason	Cheque Number	Amount
8/1/19	Came and co	Playing field insurance	100501	£608.81
8/1/19	John Donaldson	grass	100502	225
8/1/19	Mrs A Davies	CI salary	100503	184.36
8/1/19	HMRC	CI tax	100504	123.20

Proposer Cllr Mrs Soper

Seconded Cllr Keeping

Agreed unanimously.

The Parish Council considered their budget requirements for the year 2019/2020 and agreed unanimously that the precept should be increased to £4479 (from £4400) , which is an increase of £2 per annum on the tax on a Band D property.

26 PLANNING APPLICATIONS AND DECISIONS

a) Applications/Decisions

None

27 VILLAGE ISSUES

Broadband

Cllr Davies reported that OCC Cabinets 7 and 8 in the Village have now been connected and are operational. Areas within the Parish with the following post codes are expected to be connected by June 2019 :-

OX27 7SH and OX27 7SJ – Tusmore – this is planned as a Fibre to the Premises (FTTP) solution – currently known as Fritwell v5009

OX27 8AR and OX27 8RL – Hethe and Bainton premises – this is planned as a new Fibre to the cabinet (FTTC) solution – currently known as Stratton Audley PR11 (but will become cabinet P5)

The Parish Council thanked Cllr Davies for his perseverance in this matter, and for the regular updates that had been made available both to Councillors and residents.

Allotments

The Clerk reported that the Landlord of the allotments has agreed an endorsement to the lease, which confirms the additional rent agreed, the regular rent reviews and the size of sheds and greenhouses that are permitted. The allotments are now broadly compliant with the terms of the allotment lease.

East/West Rail

Another liaison meeting with Network Rail will be arranged once planning permission for the railway development has been agreed..

Oxford to Cambridge Expressway

Highways England are now considering the route of the road. Stoke Lyne will probably be located outside the road corridor, but may be affected by the additional housing proposals.

Lone Barn

The verge outside this property is still built up on both sides of the road, and the obstruction is difficult to see at night, and presents a dangerous road narrowing. The Clerk was asked to refer the matter again to OCC.

Community Transport

The Parish Council agreed to contribute towards the cost of continuing to run the COMET bus service to Bicester through Stoke Lyne, but would want to review the position should residents stop using the bus completely.

OCC Community Fund

The Clerk was authorised to make an application to Cllr Corkin's Community Fund for support in providing a barbeque on the playing field as soon as a detailed proposal is received. If possible this will be available before the Annual Parish Meeting in May.

Highway Maintenance Schemes

At the request of OCC the Clerk has submitted a request for maintenance of the Stratton Audley road, and resurfacing work on the roads in the village.

28 CORRESPONDENCE

The Council has recently received an update on OCC activities from Cllr Corkin (CDC). Cllrs Keeping and Soper attended the Liaison meeting held at Cherwell District Council on 7th November 2018. The Clerk was asked to chase the notes of the presentations made by officers to the meeting. It was also noted that many of the officers presenting spent the time waiting watching/playing on their mobile phones. The Clerk was asked to raise concerns about this with CDC. At the meeting there were complaints from a number of parishes about a lack of communication from CDC. It was noted that, if Parish Councils have concerns about any aspect of a planning application they should raise an objection to the application.

29 ANY OTHER BUSINESS

Cllr Soper will advise the Clerk of her concerns about pot holes in Bainton – which the Clerk will report to OCC via “fix my street”.

It was reported that some lorries accessing the grain store in Bainton and coming through the Village, rather than using the access off the Stratton Audley road. Should this occur again the Clerk will report the vehicle to OCC’s Trading Standards department.

There have been several occurrences of fly tipping in the Parish. These can be reported to CDC for action.

There is still a considerable amount of litter from food take away outlets on the B4100 and adjoining roads. The Clerk will report to Parish concerns to the operators and CDC.

The Clerk was asked to suggest to OCC that, to reduce the queue of traffic waiting to turn out of the B4100 onto the A43 at peak times, there should be a left filter lane marked on the road.

21. DATE OF NEXT MEETINGS

The dates of the next meetings are:- 14th May 2019, 9th July 2019, 8th October 2019 and 14th January 2020. Parish Meeting 14th May 2019.

Councillor	Meetings held since last PC Election	Meetings attended	%	Last meeting attended
Nick Barnes	12	12	100%	8/1/19
James Davies	12	12	100%	8/1/19
Lisa Soper	12	12	100%	8/1/19
Bob Wheatcroft	12	8	66%	9/10/18
Phil Elliot	11	9	84%	9/10/18
Rex Keeping	7	6	85%	8/1/19
Ian Corkin / Barry Wood*	12	6	50%	10.7.18

There being no further business the meeting closed at 8.10 pm.