

STOKE LYNE PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Meeting of Stoke Lyne Parish Council held on Tuesday 9th January 2018 at 7.00pm

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

36 TO RECEIVE AND ACCEPT APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Cllr I Corkin (CDC and OCC)

37 DECLARATION OF INTEREST IN ITEMS ON THE AGENDA

None

38 TO CONFIRM THE MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING HELD ON TUESDAY 10th October 2017

Proposer Cllr P Elliott

Seconded by Cllr Mrs Soper

It was agreed unanimously that the minutes of the meeting of 10th October 2017 were agreed as a true record.

39 FINANCE

The Council received a report on their current financial position, which is attached to these Minutes as Appendix A and was noted.

a Expenditure for confirmation and approval

Confirm

Date	Payee	Reason	Cheque number	Amount
9th November 2017	J Donaldson	grass	100474	320.00
cancelled			100475	
13/12/17	D Barnett	allotments	100476	150.00

Proposer Cllr P Elliott

Seconded Cllr Mrs L Soper

Agreed unanimously.

Approval

Date	Payee	Reason	Cheque Number	Amount
9 th January 2018	Mrs A Davies	Clerk salary	100477	181.13
9 th January 2018	HMRC	Clerk tax	100478	60.20

Proposer Cllr P Elliott

Seconded Cllr Mrs Soper

Agreed unanimously.

It was also agreed unanimously that the Parish Council would set a precept of £4400 for the year 2018/19.

29 COUNCILLOR'S REPORTS.

Cllr Corkin's report from OCC has been circulated.

30 PLANNING APPLICATIONS AND DECISIONS

ENFORCEMENT UPDATE

The eco pod at Field Farm Bainton has now been removed.

NEW

Erection of an oak framed infill garden room and porch to rear elevation Church Farm
Stoke Lyne Bicester OX27 8RU : 17/02364/F

No objection

Erection of detached drive-thru coffee shop with associated works

Cherwell Valley Services Junction 10 M40 Part Of A43 Through Stoke Lyne Parish Stoke Lyne
Bicester OX27 7RD Ref. No: 17/02279/F

After discussion the Parish Council agreed that an objection should be lodged to this application, as it would encourage drivers using the M 40 and the A43 to eat at the wheel, with a likely increase in litter and debris being deposited on adjacent roads.

The Council noted concerns that there had been a substantial increase in litter on the verges of the A43 and the B4100, and agreed, as a matter of policy, that their response to any consultation received in respect of fast food outfits should request that the Local Planning Authority place conditions on any consent granted that would require the operator to take action to clear litter from adjoining roads on a regular basis.

The Clerk was also asked to refer the problems of increased litter along the roads to both CDC and OCC, and to advise CDC's Environmental Health Officers that the litter and food debris appeared to be supporting a significantly increase in the local rat population.

DECISIONS

Remove existing cattle troughs and to build a solid block wall in its place with wooden slates above, as end of shed. Lower Farm Stoke Lyne Bicester OX27 8SD Ref. No: 17/01280/CLUP

Permitted

Erection of a building for the dry storage of forestry products and associated machinery

The Woodyard Bainton Bicester OX27 8RL

Ref. No: 17/01856/F

Permitted.

The Clerk was asked to draw the attention of both OCC and CDC to damage caused to the road accessing this property by the large, heavy vehicles using it.

37. VILLAGE ISSUES

Broadband

Cllr Davies reported that broadband installation in the Parish had been delayed, owing to operational delays in BT's planning team, and delays negotiating consent from the land owner for

the new cables to pass under their property. While he has been assured that Stoke Lyne is the top priority for implementation in the next wave of delivery, this may not be until Summer 2018, although he has also received confirmation that Bainton will be included in the project. OCC have acknowledged concerns that the Parish Council was not being kept adequately informed about slippage in delivery times, and the Parish Council (through Cllr Davies) will be advised of the position after each weekly implementation meeting.

Emergency Action (power outage or weather event)

This has been raised following the relatively heavy snow on 10th December 2017. Cllr Wheatcroft reported that there was a farmer in the Parish who may be able to clear snow, but was reluctant to do so for insurance reasons. He agreed to discuss this issue with the farmer again to ascertain whether similar problems would exist should the Parish Council reach an agreement with regard to payment.

The Clerk advised the Council that SSE have a Community Resilience Fund against which bids can be lodged to provide funds to purchase items of equipment which would support the community in the event of a long power outage or serious weather event, when the village would be cut off. The maximum sum available is £20,000, and it is likely that SSE will be open to new grant applications in late Spring/early Summer 2018.

It was discussed that equipment requested could range from generators, gritters and snow ploughs to food packs and tea urns and could include upgrading the facilities in any premises allocated to provide support for the Community (which could, if appropriate) include the Church. Councillors agreed to let the Clerk know if there were any items to be included in a grant application later in the year.

The Council also agreed to advise the Church Fundraising committee, as there were plans to upgrade the Church facilities.

The Clerk also drew the attention of the Council to the Garfieldweston Anniversary Fund, which was offering grants of between £30,000 and £150,000 towards Community projects. Details of these grants will also be forwarded to the Church Fundraising Committee.

Cllr Mrs Soper advised the Council that Emergency Planning had been an issue covered at the Cherwell District Council Parish Liaison Meeting on 8th November, when the OCC Emergency planning team had explained the support available and advised Parishes to encourage their residents to register with the utility services if they had any "priority needs" – eg reliance on electricity to power living aids, medical devices, or had a young family.

The Parish Council agreed to invite Carol Mackay (OCC Emergency Planning Officer) to the Annual Parish Meeting on 8th May 2018 to talk about Community resilience.

Low Flying helicopters

Low flying helicopters over the Village had been a problem towards the end of 2017, but the problem had been reduced following a complaint lodged with the MOD low flying unit.

The Clerk had circulated a consultation on changes to controlled airspace proposed by the London Oxford Airport and RAF Brize Norton, and explained that, if the changes proceed, there is likely to be an increase in aircraft not subject to air traffic control in the skies above the Parish..

Oxford to Cambridge Expressway

The Clerk updated the Council on proposals to construct the Oxford to Cambridge Expressway. Proposals are currently being developed by the Highways Agency, who are scoping three possible corridors –

1. To the south of Oxford from Chilton/North Abingdon to Thame and Aylesbury
2. To the north of Oxford with a new A34 bypassing Oxford, a junction on Otmoor and a link across to Winslow
3. To the north of Oxford and Bicester linking into the A4421 just by Bicester Heritage.

The Highways are hoping to announce their preferred route in June 2018, unless the plans are considered by a Public Inquiry.

HS2 Meeting

New dates are awaited. The Clerk will advise Councillors as soon as these are available.

37 WEBSITE/TRANSPARENCY CODE

Ongoing.

38 CORRESPONDENCE

The Council has recently received correspondence from Cllr Corkin (CDC) updating the Council on OCC's activities, a consultation on Air traffic control areas, and updated bad weather forecasts.

39 ANY OTHER BUSINESS

Cllr Wheatcroft expressed concern that he had heard rumours that the GP services in Bicester were planning to amalgamate into 1 large practice based in a new surgery near the park and ride. The Clerk was asked to make enquiries of the Clinical Commissioning group.

The Clerk was asked to request a sign at Bainton advising motorists that pedestrians could be in the road, as there was concern at the speed of traffic passing through the village.

It was reported that the bridle way through the "Alpaca Field" had been locked, chained and padlocked. The Clerk will report this to OCC.

There had been considerable concern expressed at the Parish Liaison meeting about the lack of bus services to villages. It was agreed that Stoke Lyne would expect to be involved should there be any further discussions with bus companies.

40. DATE OF NEXT MEETINGS

The following meeting dates were agreed for the next 12 months :-
8th May 2018, 10th July 2018, 9th October 2018 and 8th January 2019.

Finally the Council ended with a vote of thanks to Cllr Elliott for making his house available for the meeting.

Councillor	Meetings held since last PC Election	Meetings attended	%	Last meeting attended
Nick Barnes	8	8	100%	9.1.18
James Davies	8	8	100%	9.1.18
Lisa Soper	8	7	87%	9.1.18
Bob Wheatcroft	8	6	75%	9.1.18
Phil Elliot	7	6	86%	9.1.18
Rex Keeping	3	3	100%	9.1.18
Ian Corkin / Barry Wood*	8	5	63%	10.10.17

***Councillor Corkin attended the Annual Parish Meeting**

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

Stoke Lyne Parish Council			Monthly Financial Report	
			Parish Council Meeting	09 January 2018
Payments processed since last meeting				£1,229.38
10-Oct-17	John Donaldson	100469		£450.00
10-Oct-17	Mrs A Davies	100470		£181.13
10-Oct-17	HMRC	100471		£60.20
10-Oct-17	Royal british legion	100472		£50.00
10-Oct-17	CDC	100473		£48.05
02-Nov-17	John Donaldson	100474		£290.00
13-Dec-17	cancelled	100475		
13-Dec-17	D Barnett	100476		£150.00
Receipts processed since previous report				£0.00
15-Sep-17	CDC			
Bank Reconciliation			Statement dated	08 December 2017
Current account				£9,371.91
Items not yet cleared:				
Receipts	None			
Payments	cancelled			£0.00
	D Barnett			£150.00
			Net Total	<u>£9,221.91</u>