

STONESFIELD PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES 2017/08

Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on Thursday 10th August 2017 in Stonesfield Village Hall.

Meeting opened: 7.36pm

Members Present: Cllrs Wendy Gould (Chair), Frank Huddleston (Vice Chair), David Brown, David Baldwin, Geraldine Lawrence, Phil McArdell & Nigel Villiers

Others Present: Gill Hill (Clerk), Cllr Richard Bishop and six members of the public.

178. It was not apparent that the meeting was being recorded.

179 **Public Participation**

There was none.

180. **Apologies for absence**

Cllrs Jim O'Brien and Ian Hudspeth

181. **Declarations of pecuniary interest**

There were none.

182. **Minutes** of the meeting held on 13th July 2017 were approved and signed with the correction of misspelling of Cllr Geraldine Lawrence's name.

183. **Matters of report arising from previous minutes**

Waste bin required for playing field and need to establish where it should be positioned and ascertain if WODC can handle emptying it. Also possible requirement for more waste bins in Stonesfield. **Clerk to investigate**

184. **District Councillor Report**

Cllr Richard Bishop reported that the Local Plan consultation was now over. There had been some excellent speakers. The Inspector had taken on board all that was said. Cllr Bishop was hoping for a review on all areas in the AONB. A site meeting would be undertaken for the Cala property development which was most unusual but could have been due to Sustainable Stonesfield's endeavours. Residents could attend the site meeting however questions can only be asked at Committee Meetings and a booked speaker can only have three minutes time at the meeting. If Sustainable Stonesfield choose to put forward a speaker there can only be one person representing them. An appointment to speak must be made in advance of the Committee Meeting.

Clerk to handle for SPC to speak

County Council Report submitted and attached.

185. **Playing Field Report**

185.1 The MUGA has been completed with the exception of a small area yet to be paved. Members are pleased with the new surface to the tennis courts. The next stage is to apply for floodlighting which requires careful planning.

185.2 Mast – a new location has been identified for the mobile phone mast which is the same size as the original one. It is planned to be positioned at the hedge behind the tennis courts and is waiting for the Playing Field Committee's approval.

SPC to send letter of support when planning application submitted.

186. **SCT report**

There was nothing to report. The Charities Commission had given approval for the sale of land to Oxford Council Trust.

187. **Pre-school update**

Nothing to report, next meeting in the autumn.

188. **Village Hall**

It was agreed to pay the Village Hall their grant of £2000 for 2016/17 plus the outstanding monies from their grants in £400 £2015/16 and £900 2014/15 total £3300. Proposed by Frank Huddleston, seconded by David Baldwin.

RESOLVED grant to be paid to Village Hall £3,300.

189. **Glebe Land**

189.1 The purchase of land for the Scouts has gone through and it is hoped that the lease will be in place by October.

189.2 The lease allows for use of land for the following:

- a. educational purposes

- b. can be use by scouts from other areas
- c. community use

The scouts are paying the legal fees. It was proposed that the land should be leased to the 1st Stonesfield Scouts at a peppercorn rent. The lease should be returned to SPC in the event that 1st Stonesfield Scouts should cease to exist. Proposed by David Brown, seconded by Frank Huddleston

189.3 Tudor Stone to tidy up the hedgerows

Proposed by David Brown, seconded by Frank Huddleston.

190. New cemetery

Six houses reserved on Farley Lane and almost completed. Land about to be cleared.

191. **Working group for Finance and Planning**

Clerk to establish maximum that can be held in bank account with and without ring-fencing.

192. **The Common**

A grant from WODC (S106 monies) of £7,400 for 10 years would be available for The Common in particular for an informative noticeboard. WODC representatives would be pleased to attend an SPC meeting on the subject.

193. **Planning**

Application received from WODC

17/01966/FUL Erection of 18 dwellings with associated infrastructure, access, open space and landscaping (including variation of permission 15/03097/RES to provide access)

SPC strongly objects to this application. It offers nothing to the village with unsuitable houses; sewage is a problem now and there has been no consultation.

194. **Other planning issues**

194.1 CALA Homes - Response made re 17/01670//OUT land north of Woodstock Road Report on Pye Homes & Chicane. Letter sent to WODC by Martin Armstrong on behalf of SPC.

194.2 Update on North Farm Plans results of planning submission & s106 contributions. Nothing to report.

195. **Speeding in Stonesfield:**

- a) Update
- b) Heavy lorries through village

Awaiting response from Anthony Kirkwood from Highway

196. **Financial matters**

196.1 Monthly financial summary to be circulated with the Minutes.

196.2 The following payments were approved and paid:

C No. 101895 Clerk's Salary	£432.12
C No. 101896 HMRC	£108.00
C No. 101897 Clive Parsons - Maintenance	£90.00
C No. 101898 Tudor Stone – Glebe Field Maintenance	£160.00
C No. 101899 Cancelled	
C No. 101890 En-Tout-Cas MUGA & Tennis Courts refurbishment	£60,144.00
C No. 101891 En-Tout-Cas MUGA & Tennis Courts refurbishment	£5,358.00

196.3 Payment of Village Hall stage curtains – see item 188 Village Hall.

196.4 Electronic banking for signatories – details to be sent by email to Chair to set up.

196.5 S106 monies – not discussed.

197. **Allotments**

Invoices to be sent out for rents owed from 2015-16 and 2016-17

Clerk to handle

198. Grass verge cuts - all outstanding has been done

199. Website – under construction

200. Report for Slate – September issue

201. **Correspondence**

201.1 Donation of £100 agreed to pay Soldiers of Oxfordshire Museum in 2017 to help archive work.

202.2 Donation to Guideposts of £50 supporting disadvantaged children and adults in the area.

Meeting ended 9.45pm

The next meeting of the Parish Council will be held on 14th September; 2017.
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