

STONESFIELD PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES 2019/2

DRAFT Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on Wednesday 13th February 2019 in Stonesfield Village Hall. Meeting commenced at 7.32pm.

Members present: Cllrs. David Brown (Chair), Frank Huddleston (Vice Chair), Wendy Gould, Dave Baldwin, Geraldine Lawrence and Simon Powell.

Others present: Cllr Richard Bishop and Gill Hill (Clerk)

1. It was not apparent that the meeting was being recorded.
2. **Apologies** were received from Cllrs Phil McArdell and Jim O'Brien.
3. There were no **declarations of pecuniary interest**.
4. The **Minutes** of the meeting held on Wednesday 9 January 2019 were approved and signed.
5. **Public Participation**
There was none.
6. **Matters arising from the minutes**
Attention was needed on the drain at The Tap,
7. **District & Count Councillors reports**
Cllr Richard Bishop reported that the Environment Agency considered that no one should swim in rivers in the U.K. The car parking strategy review in Woodstock will come under stress with extra housing. WODC are being urged to charge for parking. Community grants are available, Combe has being awarded the maximum grant of £50K. The budget for 2019/2020 will go for ratification soon. Council tax is still the second lowest in England. There have been complaints from residents about road conditions. County Council report attached.
8. **Town & Parish Council Elections**

Tuesday 26 March 2019	Last day for publication of Notice of Election
Wednesday 3 April 2019 (4pm)	Last day & time for delivery of nomination papers and consent to nomination by hand to WODC, Woodgreen, Witney.
Wednesday 3 April 2019 (4pm)	Last day & time for delivery of notice of withdrawal of candidature by hand to WODC, Woodgreen, Witney.
Thursday 4 April 2019 (4pm)	Last day & time for publication of Statement of Persons Nominated.
Friday 12 April 2019	Deadline for receipt of applications to be included in the register for electors for the election.
Monday 15 April (5pm)	Deadline for receipt of applications to vote by post, or from existing postal or proxy voters wishing to change their arrangements.
Wednesday 24 April 2019	Last day for publication of Notice of Poll.
Wednesday 24 April 2019 (5pm)	Deadline for receipt of applications to vote by proxy.
Thursday 25 April 2019	Last day for the appointment of counting and polling agents.
From Wed 24 April 2019 (5pm) to Thursday 2 May 2019 (5pm)	Period for receiving applications to vote by emergency proxy necessitated by health or employment reasons which occurred after the ordinary proxy application deadline.
9. **Speed Survey & Traffic Control**
A Working Group to be confirmed with Cllr Simon Powell (Chair), Paul Bates, Mick Heduan, John Torcher, Patricia Williams and Tony Taylor.
Proposed by Cllr Frank Huddleston, seconded by Cllr Wendy Gould.

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The group does not require a site visit and meeting with James Wright, Technical Officer Traffic Schemes, OCC, until a later date after the planned surveys had taken place. A presentation possibly to be made at the next meeting.

10.5 Brook Lane, sewage overflow

Thames Water meeting arranged.

11. The Common

Quote for fencing around the 'cricket pitch' expected next week.

12. Playing Field

All quiet except running out of pitches. Meeting in March re transferring current asset from old Playing Field to new Playing Field should be completed.

13. SCT

No report as Cllr Phil McArdell not at meeting.

14. Pre-School

Meeting arranged 25 February with OCC, School Governors and Parish Council. The present position is not ideal. Suggestions that other alternatives could be investigated.

15. Village Hall

Only three people attended the last meeting – no progress.

16. Scout Group

Nothing to report.

17. Sustainable Stonesfield

Will Harley, landscaping and David Illingworth, housing will represent SPC, Statements to be in by 25 February. Chris Woods, Appeal Officer will represent WODC. Jim Astle will also present SPC and SUSTO's case at the four-day hearing starting on 2 April.

18. Neighbourhood Plan

Nothing to report

19. Great British Tidy Up

WODC can provide plastic bags, gloves and a limited number of litter pickers as there are several groups going litter picking on 24 March. WODC can collect rubbish from wherever is convenient for the team.

20. Grass & Hedge Cutting Contract

It had already been decided at a previous meeting that WODC should continue with this job.

21. Website

Nothing to report.

22. WODC

Meeting with WODC Cabinet members 7 March. Proposed Planning Training, Cllr David Brown to attend.

23. Planning

Applications received from WODC:

19/00288/FUL Flat 8, Sanders House, Churchfields. Replacement of Velux window with a larger unit in development of flats. SPC had no objection to this.

Applications approved by WODC

None

24. Other Planning issues:

CALA Homes Appeal – see Sustainable Stonesfield report item 17.

25. Working Group for Finance & Planning

Report submitted by Cllr Phil McArdell in his absence.

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26. Financial Matters

The monthly financial summary was handed out at the meeting.

The following payments were approved and cheques signed:

SO	Clerk's salary February 2019	£646.58
C No 102025	Village Hall Room hire December 2018	£ 18.40
C No 102026	Geoff Booth Repair wall at Brook Lane	£140.00
C No 102027	WODC Grass & Hedge Cutting 4/10/18	£ 93.22
C No 102028	Cancelled	
C No 102029	OCC Supply & install salt bin Farley Lane	£399.00
C No 102030	Ascesis Consulting Website domain & host	£216.00
C No 102031	Castle Water 2/11/18—3/12/18 Churchyard	£ 4.11
C No 102032	HMRC Feb 2019	£161.60
C No 102033	Cancelled	
C No 102034	G Hill exp Stationery, Postage, Office 365	£ 86.67
C No 102035	Clive Parsons Salary Jan/Feb	£ 86.13

Bank Recs approved and signed

Quote from Complete Weed Control approved for 2019 @ £600.00 for 2 sprays.

27. Report for Slate – March edition

28. Correspondence

Stackhouse Poland Group to acquire Came & Company Local Council Insurance.

Volunteer Link-up – no funds.

King Ramps – wheeled sport events.

29. Any Other Matters

The drain at The Tap needs clearing

Meeting closed at 9.0pm

DATE OF THE NEXT MEETING WEDNESDAY 13 MARCH AT 7.30PM in the Club Room at the Village Hall