

STONESFIELD PARISH COUNCIL

CLERKS REPORT 2020/January

Clerks report to support the Parish Council Meeting held on Wednesday 15th January 2020 in Stonesfield Village Hall.

1. Parish Matters

- The clerk is ordering replacement litter bins for Church Street and by the village shop. No date for replacement has been given yet.
- The clerk has contacted PYE homes & Blenheim Estate to request that they install a grit bin and dog waste bin on the Charity Farm Development. No further update at this time.
- The clerk has chased up the hedge cutting around the small village hall car park.

2. SAFER Working Group – Report from Cllr M Heduan

Separate report

3. Spring Clean

Jess Huband asks for approval of Sunday 1st March for the annual village spring clean. Format will follow the same as last year.

4. Planning

Applications received from WODC for this parish. Councillors are asked to consider these at the meeting on 15th February 2020.

APPLICATION NO: 20/00017/S73

PROPOSAL: Non-compliance with condition 2 of planning permission 17/03671/FUL to allow internal reconfiguration and changes to openings.

Town and Country Planning Act

LOCATION: Knott Oaks Woodstock Road Stonesfield

APPLICANT: James Wiltshire

REGISTERED: 7th January 2020

It has been noted that the trees next to Knotts Oak (the above mentioned property) have been cut down without planning permission. The Parish Council have noted this concern to WODC planning department.

APPLICATION NO: 19/03476/HHD

PROPOSAL: Single storey side extension

Town and Country Planning Act

LOCATION: 4 The Cottages Churchfields Stonesfield

APPLICANT: Mr Weston

REGISTERED: 18th December 2019

APPLICATION NO: 20/00007/FUL

PROPOSAL: Erection of two semi-detached bungalows and the provision of new parking area for 8 Farley Close.

Town and Country Planning Act

LOCATION: Highcroft 8 Farley Close Stonesfield

APPLICANT: Mr Neil Godfrey

REGISTERED: 6th January 2020

APPLICATION NO: 19/03429/S73

PROPOSAL: Variation of condition 2 of 18/00731/FUL to allow the addition of a single storey extension to the rear (east) elevation of plot one.

Town and Country Planning Act

APPLICATION NO: 18/00731/FUL

PROPOSAL: Erection of 5 dwellings with associated garaging and landscape works. Formation of

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new vehicular access.

Town and Country Planning Act

LOCATION: Land West Of North Farm Woodstock Road Stonesfield

APPLICANT: Empire Homes

REGISTERED: 7th January 2020

All of the above were circulated via email to councillors ahead of the meeting.

5. WODC Art / The Common

Genny Early has been contacted and will be submitting a proposal for this art project.

6. Financial Matters:

Bank reconciliation circulated via email.

The following payments require cheque signatories and approval in the January full council meeting:

C No 102207	Whitehill Direct Ltd	£264.00	SAFER – mirror inv 6000
C No 102206	Clive Parsons PAYE	£confidential	PAYE
C No 102205	Clerk expenses	£37.40	Dec expenses
C No 102209	Clerk PAYE current	£confidential	PAYE
C No 102210	HMRC / PAYE / NI	£confidential	PAYE
C No 102211	LGPS pension	£288.36	Jan 19
C No 102208	Stonesfield Village Hall	£18.40	inv 2571 – venue hire
C No 102212	ENTC Ltd	£1,440.00	inv 2019/510 – MUGA fund

The £confidential relates to PAYE. Councillors see these figures for approval during the meeting. There may be further cheques to add.

The clerk has asked Geoff Booth Landscaping to proceed with replacing the timber risers and stakes at the Glebe. The cost is £385.00 including VAT. No date for the work yet.

Precept – The clerk will be submitting the precept figure of a 15% rise as per committee discussions in November unless Council wish to change this figure at this meeting.

Cllr David Brown has purchased the John Lewis vouchers agreed in the last meeting. Cllr Brown asks council whether we should approve a £50 levy as leaving gifts for any required in the future.

Grants

The Stonesfield Players and the Church have been advised on their grant awards approved at the last meeting. Cheques will be raised once detail is provided from the organisations.

7. Land at North Farm Stonesfield

The legal paperwork for this is currently with the solicitors and remains ongoing.

Empire Homes have agreed to pay reasonable legal costs as previously advised.

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8. Burial Ground Site

It is apparent that the land set aside for the future burial ground has not been assessed for suitability as a burial site. The clerk is sourcing quotes from contractors who assess land for this purpose. Once this assessment is back (if the land is confirmed suitable) a planning application for change of use on the land can be submitted to WODC. There will be costs for this assessment and planning application but at this stage we are not in a position to estimate these. The clerk will circulate costs as soon as we have them. If costs are significant this may have to wait for 21/22 budget.

9. Date of Next Meeting – 12th February 2020 – 7.30pm – Stonesfield Village Hall

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