

Stoke St Mary Parish Council

Date of Meeting:
Thursday 20th July 2017 7:30 pm
At SSM Village Hall

Written by:
Gemma Coombes (Parish Clerk)

Minutes

Present

Mike Baddeley
Vic Freir,
Michael Farrell,
Nigel Wright,
Patricia Fallance
William Coombes
Rob Hossell

In attendance

Gemma Coombes – Parish Clerk
John Thome - SCC
Parishioners

Apologies

John Williams – TBDC

2017/44. Declarations of Interest

None

2017/45. Minutes

The minutes were taken and read. Signed by Mike Baddeley. Proposed by Mike Farrell Seconded by Nigel Wright

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2017/46. Co-Option of Rob Hossell as Parish Councillor

After the due notice of the vacancy was issued in notice boards and on the parish website only one application was received from Rob Hossell. It was proposed by Mike Baddeley to co-opt him on to the council as a member this was seconded by Mike Farrell All in Favour.

2017/47. Matters Arising

1. Notice Boards

Notice boards are here and waiting to be put up.

Action: Vic to arrange

2. Speed in village

A meeting with Jo Sharp from SCC on the 20th July was not very fruitful as there were not many cars coming through. SCC have no appropriate funding unless there is a fatality. No flashing signs as there is no limit that far out of the village.

There are now complaints about the speed of the village of cyclists, they are two abreast and very fast, they nearly hit someone in village the other day.

Action: Pat to contact PCSO to talk about the speed of cyclists in village

3. Play park inspection

We can use CIL money for the play park so any work can come from the CIL.

Overall site is at high risk in inspection report. We need to look at fencing which is a risk in the report. Multi play is a medium risk (this is the old one) timber needs looking at. New equipment has a medium as it has bird fouling on it. All fencing is parish council responsibility and this has to be raised as an urgent point. Pat Fallance expressed concern over the length of time it will take to get 3 quotes, report back and get work done.

Action: Vic to get three quotes to replace the fencing.

2017/48. Finance

1. Account balances

- I. Current account - £3552.36 (£1270.00 is for defibrillator)
- II. Deposit account - £12721.93

2. Invoices for payment

- Parish Clerk Wages plus expenses - £174.23
 - Proposed – William Coombes Seconded – Vic Freir - All in favour
- Nigel Salter & Sons Notice Boards - £702
 - Proposed – William Coombes Seconded – Vic Freir - All in favour
- Mike Farrell expenses for H.E Ltd Campaign. - £315.75
 - Proposed – William Coombes Seconded – Vic Freir - All in favour
- Parsons field cut x2 May - £85.32

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- Parsons field cut x3 June - £127.98
 - Proposed – William Coombes Seconded – Vic Freir - All in favour
- TDBC allotments rent. - £25.00
 - Proposed – William Coombes Seconded – Vic Freir - All in favour
- RoSPA play park inspection invoice. - £88.20
 - Proposed – William Coombes Seconded – Vic Freir - All in favour

2017/49. Planning

1. Current planning applications

*Replacement of garage and granny annex at Grove Cottage – No comment from council
Parsons planning has now been resolved with same conditions as before
Two acres have final planning in place*

2. Enforcement Proceedings

Letter from enforcement saying no action about mobile home as people are moved out and last van is to be gone by end of August.

3. Other planning matters

Flooding in village will have a map completed when we have rain again to show lying water.

2017/50. Highways

1. Village finger posts

- *A meeting will be taking place later this week and will be attended. There was a meeting last week and work will have to be carried out by contractors as they are not far enough from highway to be worked on by volunteers. We have to explore the heritage fund with no luck. They will not be removed but they will not be replaced. If they are replaced they will be replaced with modern signs if they have the funds to do it.*

2017/51. School

Excellent SAT results. The last day of the academic year is now here.

2017/52. Policing

No news from the police and PCSO has not been in contact.

2017/53. A358/ J25/ Employment site

Employment site consultation started today, 30th of Aug to respond and two confirmed plots. J25 have had a copy of the proposal and everyone to read and make any comments by Monday A358 Number of things now between consultation and decision. We have a complaint with office of rail and road regulator and we are responding to highways England again and will have our points raised and then can go on to ombudsmen if needed. The parish council's formal response is in. Rebecca Pow did comment to prime minister yesterday about the record road building and naming the A358 seemingly in conflict with other views stated. All in favour of displeasure.

2017/54. Village Hall

Nothing to report

2017/55. Correspondence

1. Seafarers Merchant Navy Day
2. Clerks and Councils Direct
3. CCS News letter
4. SCC Chairman's Award for Service to Community. Proposed by Mike B and seconded by Mike F for post man.
5. Free NHS Health checks for your parish

2017/56. Other Village Matters

1. Taunton Deane have not released the defib money yet.
2. Allotments for rent, all now available if you are interested please contact the parish Clerk by email at stokeparishclerk@gmail.com
3. Mike B sends his personal thanks to Mike B and Rob Hossell for the A358 hours they put in.
4. 18 million needs to be saved this year by SCC. Closure of the park and ride at Henlade on a Saturday will save £50k.

2017/57. NEXT MEETING: Thursday 21st September 2017, 7.30pm, STOKE ST MARY VILLAGE HALL

Signed:  [Chairman]