

STOULTON PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of Stoulton Parish Council held at Stoulton Village Hall on Monday 18th January 2010 at 7.00pm.

PRESENT Cllr's Mrs Lewis, Mr Callaghan, Mr Ashton, Mr Wardle and Mr Menhinick
IN ATTENDANCE Ms J Shields (Clerk), Mr P Middleborough (District Cllr), and Mr D Clee
Worcestershire County Council - Safer Roads Team Leader.

Mr Clee informed the council of the 'Speed Limit Review' which is taking place across the County. Stoulton is due to be reviewed in April 2010; the preliminary results should be passed to Cllr R Adams during the month of May. Mr Clee offered to return to the council once the outcome of the review was known.

1. Apologies.

These were received and accepted from Cllr. M Robinson

2. Declaration Of Interests.

There were no declarations of personal and/or prejudicial interests.

3. To Consider The Adoption Of The Minutes Of The Meeting Held On the 2nd November 2009.

The minutes were approved and signed as a true record.

4. To Discuss Speeding.

Cllr Callaghan informed the council there was a possibility of joining with Peopleton to purchase a VAS, via Cllr L Robinson and the Pershore Town Partnership. The council agreed to wait until the outcome of the review is known before taking any further action. The council agreed to pursue passive forms of speed control.

5. Planning.

For Approval

- W/02921/PP Upper Wolverton Farm, Egdon Lane, Egdon, Worcester. Outline planning permission for an agricultural dwelling. Recommend.
- W/02764/CU Breach Farm, Egdon Lane, Egdon. Change of use of agricultural buildings to B1 (c) and B8 (storage) uses. (Part Retrospective). Recommend.
- W/02644/PP Spetchley Fruit Farm, Evesham Road, Egdon. Installation of new pole and transformer unit. Recommend.

Withdrawn Applications

W/09/03062/LB Wolverton Hall, Lower Wolverton. Works to barn roof.

Approval by Wychavon

W/09/02253/PN Brook House, Hawbridge. Demolition of existing dwelling and erection of new dwelling.

6. Correspondence for Information.

Cllr Wardle will read and advise the council on the swjcs consultation.

7. Invoices to Be Paid.

Clerks Expenses £62.41, Lengthsman £308.00, New Farms £412.28 and N Power £31 25.

8. Progress Reports for Information.

a) Clerk. (Enclosed)

Cllr Wardle will participate in the councillor training sessions taking place in Feb /March.

b) Footpaths Officer.

c) Playing Field Officer.

d) Flood Warden.

e) Finance Officer.

f) Village Hall Management Committee.

Two very successful events had been held a quiz and Christmas Dinner. The hall and store had been de-cluttered and new upholstered chairs had been bought.

g) County Councillor.

h) District Councillor.

- Cllr Middleborough thanked parishioners for their understanding during the recent disruption to refuse collections, due to weather conditions.
- Wychavon are trying to cut their budget by 1 million over the next three years.
- Regional Spatial Strategy is in its consultation period till the 12th March 2010, which will impact on all journeys around and into Worcester.

i) Lengthsman

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j) **PC Sean Woods/PACT**

k) **Speed Limit Spetchely to Pinvin (Enclosed)**

9. To Consider The Use Of The Notice Board At Claverton.

The council agreed the Village Hall Committee could put notices in the board at Claverton if there was space.

10. Update On Street Lights At Claverton.

In progress.

11. To Discuss Flooding and the Distribution Of Flooding Sandbags Information.

Cllr `s Callaghan and Lewis to meet with Mrs Osborne concerning flooding. Cllr Lewis to put an article in the Villager concerning sand and sandbags.

Cllr Lewis attended a 'Flooding - Early Warning Project meeting' which was very useful, however Cllrs Lewis thinks the scheme has been cancelled.

12. Wychavon Policing Matters.

Wychavon Policing Matters Group meeting, Sytchampton Village Hall on 8th December 2009 attended by Cllr Wardle.

- A mobile police station will visit villages (125 in Worcs. total) in rotation. A second one being purchased. Concerns were raised about the timing (e.g. 10am to noon) and the lack of publicity and prior warning to residents.
- There has been no significant increase in crime recently which runs counter to patterns in previous recessions. .
- Speed camera positioning - the criteria have been widened from serious accident sites to include community concerns with collection of speed data.
- 'Smart Water' marking of household items (£20 per kit) is proving very popular.

13. Parish Plan.

The council agreed not to proceed with a parish plan.

14. To Confirm Co Option of Councillor at March Meeting.

Co option to take place at next meeting.

15. Items for Future Agenda.

16. Date Of Next Meeting.

1st March 2010