

STOULTON PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of Stoulton Parish Council held at Stoulton Village Hall on Monday 7th September 2009 at 7.00pm.

PRESENT Cllr's Mr Whitehurst, Mr Callaghan, Mrs Lewis, Mr Ashton, Mr Wardle, Mr Menhinick and Mr Robinson.
IN ATTENDANCE Ms J Shields (Clerk), Mr P Middleborough (District Cllr), Mr R Fullee, Mr M Digger (West Mercia Traffic Department Advisor), PC S Woods, Mr T Burnham and six parishioners.

Speeding through Stoulton is an issue for many residents; Mr Digger explained that resources are channelled to areas where casualties have occurred. South Worcestershire is below the national average so this proves their focus to be correct. As the traffic unit is based in Pershore the road through Stoulton is used by police patrols extensively. Stoulton is deemed to be a local issue and 'ad hoc' enforcement does take place, covert or overt enforcement seems to have the same effect. The 30 mile per hour stretch in Stoulton, because it is within the 2/10th of a mile limit and has bends either side, is not an easy place to enforce. The whole of the County is having its speed audited and some roads will be reviewed, the parish council will be included in the consultation process. Apart from speed enforcement there are other ways to reduce speed; vehicle activates flashing signs, slow down signs, buffer zones and the narrowing of the carriageway with white lines.

Mr Fullee reiterated the views of Mr Digger and informed the council that he has access to portable signs that could be used; they only prove to be successful if they are moved around.

It was agreed by both Mr Digger and Mr Fullee that data would be collected and analysed hopefully in time for the next meeting. If there is a need for action it will be discussed at a later date.

Mr Barnham explained the history of the bus stop and offered to reinstate the stop to its former position.

1. To Elect A Chairman.

Cllr Whitehurst proposed, Cllr Wardle seconded and it was agreed to elect Cllr Callaghan as Chairman.

2. To Elect A Vice Chairman.

Cllr Whitehurst proposed, Cllr Callaghan seconded and it was agreed to elect Cllr Wardle as Vice Chairman.

3. Apologies.

Cllr R Adams (County Cllr)

4. Declaration Of Interests.

Cllr Robinson item 8, Bridlepath in Stoulton Community Wood.

5. To Consider The Adoption Of The Minutes Of The Meeting Held On the 6th July 2009.

The minutes were agreed and signed as a true record.

6. To Appoint Representatives to The Following Working Parties.

- a) Village Hall Committee. Cllr's Lewis, Robinson and Ashton.
- b) Playing Field Officer. Cllr Robinson.
- c) Local Council Association (CALC). Cllr Menhinick.
- d) Planning Working Party See item 12.
- e) Financial Officer. Cllr Callaghan.

7. Planning.

For Consultation

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1. W/09/01833/CU Former Railway Goods Yard, Egdon Lane, Egdon Use of former railway goods yard as vehicle and machinery storage compound and for storage of inert materials. The council recommends the application is rejected for the following reasons
 - a) The location at the foot of the railway bridge would be totally unsuitable for the turning in and exit of HGV's.
 - b) A public footpath crosses the site at the level crossing.
 - c) The area near the entrance to the site does suffer from flooding during heavy rain and increased heavy traffic in that area could affect the road surface even more
 - d) The council has concerns for health and safety of the domestic residences in close proximity to the site.
 - e) Waste processing / recycling on the grounds of noise and dust pollution.
 - f) Dust from asbestos waste generated by the site
 - g) The photos show lots of black bin bags and goodness knows what's in them. Applicant should be asked to detail the type of "inert waste" so that the materials can be mentioned in the application and monitored thereafter.
2. W/09/01532/CU Land Off Windmill Lane, Stoulton. Removal of Condition 1 of planning permission W/07/02859/CU. The council has no objections to this application.
3. W/09/01969/AC Sownalog, Box Bush drive, Stoulton. To provide access to the rear of the above property from the Wadborough Road. No objections but the council has reservations concerning access on to Wadborough Road.

Consideration by Wychavon Full Committee

W/09/01486/CU Land Adjacent, Conifers, Evesham Road, Egdon. Siting of 3 mobile homes and pony paddock.

Approval Notices

W/09/01271/LB Manor House, Church Lane, Stoulton. New door to external wall.

W/09/0018/LB Wolverton Hall, Lower Wolverton. Re roof barn.

W/09/01486/CU Land Adjacent, Conifers, Evesham Road, Egdon. Siting of 3 mobile homes and pony paddock.

Withdrawn Applications

W/09/00172/CU Wolverton Hall, Lower Wolverton, WR10 2AU.

8. Correspondence for Information. (listed on Clerks report)

The Council agreed to purchase a wreath for Remembrance Day Service to be held on the 8th November.

Proposed Bridleway in Stoulton Community Wood (Cllr Robinson withdrew from the meeting) it was agreed to express concern regarding the damage of horses to the footpath in wet weather. It was suggested that the bridleway be separate to the footpath.

9. Invoices to Be Paid.

Travis Perkins (Sand) £45.43, Buildabase (Bark) £219.56, Wychavon DC (Bins) £109.25, Clerks expenses £70.94, Lengthsman £308.00, New Farms Grounds Maintenance £790.20, N Power £30.90, CALC £17.87, HMRC £61.80.

10. Progress Reports for Information.

- a) Clerk.
Severn Trent are investigating the 'raw sewage' in Station Close and Windmill Lane on the B4084 at Windmill Hill.
- b) Footpaths Officer.
- c) Playing Field Officer.
- d) Flood Warden.
- e) Finance Officer.
- f) Village Hall Management Committee.

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g) County Councillor.

h) District Councillor.

The outcome of the speed limit review on the A44, is not yet public both the District and County Councillor would not be happy with the existing limit remaining.

Planning Strategy is in phase three but no figures have been received from the Regional Spatial Strategy"

i) Lengthsman.

j) PC Sean Woods/PACT.

PC Woods introduced himself; he identified speeding as a concern and assured the council he would be chasing the County Council. A mobile police will be visiting times will be displayed on the notice board, he will organise a Smartwater presentation to the parish. Two crimes have been committed in the past three months, parishioners to be aware that outside buildings are being targeted.

11. To Discuss The Bus Stop At Claverton.

The council agreed to ask for the bus stop to be reinstated outside Hawbridge House, Clerk to E Mail Mr Barnham, also inform him that children are climbing up the bus stop and on to the roof the bus shelter.

12. To Discuss The Formation Of A Planning Group.

The group will consist of Cllrs Lewis, Callaghan, Wardle, Menhinick and Ashton, headed by Cllr Wardle who will receive all the application and co ordinate a reply to the clerk for posting on the website.

13. To Discuss Flooding Issues.

Clerk to notify Highways of the flooding issue as recommended by Ray Grundy of Wychavon.

14. To Discuss A Response To The Gypsy And Traveller Progress Review.

Wherever possible the council is adhering to the recommendations of the Review.

15. Item For Future Agenda.

16. Date Of Next meeting.

2nd November 2009