

STOULTON PARISH COUNCIL

The minutes of Stoulton Parish Council meeting held at Stoulton Village Hall on Tuesday 14th November 2017 at 7.45pm.

PRESENT: Cllr's Mrs. V. Lewis, Mr P. Haywood, Mr R Howard, Mr R Marchant, Mr. M Robinson, Mr A Walker and Mr M Woodcock (Chairman).

IN ATTENDANCE: J Shields (Clerk) and District Cllr Paul Middleborough.

1. Apologies: To receive apologies and approve reasons for absence.

Apologies were received and accepted from County Cllr Mr R Adams.

2. Declaration Of Interests.

Councillors were reminded to update their registers of interest held by Wychavon and to declare any personal or prejudicial interest in items on the agenda and their nature.

Cllr Howard register a prejudicial ODI, as owner of the property, in item 9 (a)I and took no part in the discussion or decision.

3. To Consider The Adoption Of The Minutes Of The Meeting Held On Tuesday 11th July 2017.

The minutes having been circulated were agreed and signed by the chairman.

4. Correspondence.

Circulated on the clerks report.

5. To Consider a Nomination for the Jubilee Award.

The council considered nominating Fiona Morris for all the time and work involved in applying for grants for the Village Hall. Cllr Lewis will mention this at the village hall meeting and inform the clerk if they are in agreement.

6. To Consider the latest Information Provided by the Village Hall Committee and Appoint Three Representative.

Cllr Merchant agreed to read and prepare a simple document outlining the council's responsibilities of the hall according to the Trust Document held by the council. Clerk to E mail a copy of said Deed to all councillors and a copy of the Conveyance.

The council wishes to thank Fiona Morris for all her efforts in obtaining the grants needed to carry out the Hall refurbishments.

Cllrs Lewis, Marchant and Robinson agreed to represent the council on the Village Hall Committee.

Cllr Middleborough agreed to look into any payment to the parish council from the Wind Turbine at Norton Fields.

7. Finance.

a) To Ratify Payments made outside a meeting.

The following payments were ratified:-

Lengthsman	July and August	£323.00
New Farms	Grass	£1,217.16
Village Hall	Repairs	£3,500.00
WCC	Brown Sign	£560.21

b) Receive Accounts To Date.

Statement of accounts had been circulated.

The following remittances had been received:-

Wychavon	Precept and Grant	£3624.
WCC	Lengthsman	£139.50
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c) To Approve Payments.

The following invoices were agreed for payment:-

New Farms	Grass September	£347.76
WCALC	Training	£30.00
Grant Thornton	Audit	£120.00
Lengthsman	September	£132.00
Lengthsman	October	£220.00
N Power	Unmetered Supply	£38.51
Clerks Expenses	July – September	£34.35
British legion	Wreath	£25.00

8. Progress Reports For Information.

a) Clerk.

Report had been circulated.

Clerk to ask Mr Rhodes if he would audit the village hall accounts at the same time as the parish councils.

Clerk to inform Highways of the overgrown footway between Stoulton and Norton especially under the bridge.

b) Representatives.

- Village Hall.

The amount spent on the village hall to date is £72,500.00 of which £61,150.00 had been funded in grants. £10,000.00 of the £20,000.00 ACRE loan has been repaid and the rest will be repaid over the next 12 months.

- Cllr Marchant had attended the Parkway Station, Stakeholder Information Meeting - 16th October 2017

c) Police Report.

No report received.

d) County Councillor.

At another PC meeting.

The £11.6m Pershore improvement scheme includes a Northern Link Road to connect the employment site of Keytec Business Park with the A44, enhancements at Pinvin crossroads to alleviate current and future congestion in the area and the upgrade of the Wyre Road / Station Road junction.

The latest set of works include extending Battenhall Railway Bridge which is midway between the Norton and Whittington roundabouts. This will enable the two 'uphill' lanes from Norton to Whittington to run beneath the existing Battenhall Railway Bridge and two new 'downhill' lanes (from Whittington and Norton) to run under the new bridge.

Installation of the bridge extension is scheduled to take place towards the end of next Spring but significant works have to be carried out beforehand. One of the essential parts of this work is the demolition of the existing farmer's access bridge which sits next to Battenhall Railway Bridge.

e) District Councillor.

Traps are being installed at the Millennium Wood to stop caravans from parking.

Planning has been granted for the building of a folly at Wolverton Hall.

Cllr Middleborough will enquire about the cycle paths in connection with Parkway Station and the LTP4.

9. Planning.

a) To consider applications since last meeting.

I. 17/02133/LB The Maltings Church Lane, Stouton.

Cllr Howard left the room, the council has no planning reason to object.

II. 17/02019/HP The Cottage, Hawbridge, Stouton.

The council has no planning reason to object.

b) To ratify comments made between meetings.

I. 17/01206/LB Windmill Hill House Windmill Lane Stouton. The parish council had no planning reason to object.

II. 17/01205/CU Windmill Hill House Windmill Lane Stouton. The parish council had no planning reason to object.

III. 17/01441/FUL 2 Caldewell Cottages Worcester Road Drakes Broughton. The parish council had no planning reason to object.

c) To report decisions since last meeting.

Approved by Wychavon

I. 17/01235/HP - 2 Malvern View Pershore Road Stouton

II. 17/00944/FUL - Sunbrae Holiday Lodges, Sunbrae, Wadborough Road, Stouton.

III. 17/01986/AGR - Little Thatch Windmill Lane Stouton.

10. Items For Future Agenda and Councillor Reports.

To Consider the Purchase of a defibrillator for outside the village hall.

To Discuss the WIFI at the village hall.

To Consider the implications of the council as Custodian trustees of the Village Hall.

Grass cutting 2017/2018.

- The chairman had laid a wreath at the remembrance service on Sunday.
- Cllr Lewis will bring to the attention of the Seven Waste plant the amount of 7HGW vehicles driving through Stouton.

11. Date Of Next Meeting.

Tuesday 9th January 2018 at 7.45pm.