

Stowe Nine Churches Parish Council

Chairman Cllr S Henley

Clerk – Mrs L Carter

Minutes of Ordinary Parish Council Meeting

Held on Monday 2nd March 2020 at 8.00pm in the Old School Rooms.

Present: Cllrs S Henley, D Lane, J Hillyard, A Sanderson and A Teague
Parish Clerk – L Carter
District Cllr J Amos
2 Members of the Public

1608. Apologies for absence.

Apologies were received from Cllr A Brodie.

Cllr Teague informed the meeting that it was his intention to resign as a Councillor with effect from the end of the meeting. The Chairman thanked him for his work in supporting the Council as acting clerk and in sorting out the finances. She would miss his professionalism.

1609. Declarations of interest in items on the agenda.

Cllr Henley declared a professional interest in relation to Stowe Hill

1610. Minutes

Councillors agreed to approve the minutes of meeting of the Council dated 15th January 2020.

1611. Matters arising from previous minutes - for update only.

None that were not on the agenda

Cllr Henley left the meeting and Cllr Lane chaired the next item

1612. District Councillors

Cllr Johnnie Amos attended and advised that, he and Cllr. Adam Brown continued to apply pressure, wherever possible, to bring about a satisfactory conclusion in relation to the development at Stowe Hill had seen a copy of the response from the Chief Executive of Daventry DC to Chris Heaton-Harris MP. He updated Councillors on the latest developments at the site. He also advised that Development Control was now a responsibility of Tony Gillett rather than Marie Taylor.

Cllr Henley re-joined the meeting at this point

1613. Planning applications received.

- i. New Applications – None

1614. Planning approvals – Review of past planning applications.

DA/2018/10034 - Land at Main Street Church Stowe

DA/2015/1164 – Land adjoining Sheepfold Grange – trees had been planted, but no further activity.,

DA/2015/0195 – Land at Stowe Hill, Watling Street, Weedon – no date for new application.

1615. Village Design Statement

Cllr Tony Teague confirmed that DDC had approved and adopted the Village Design Statement as Supplementary Planning Guidance

Cllr Henley thanked everyone who had contributed to the process, particularly Cllr Teague.

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1616. Statement of accounts/accounts for payment.

- i. Statement of account at Lloyds Bank. - Current Balance is **£3354.75**
- ii. Payments Approved- L Carter – Welcome packs £12.54
Domain Renewal £14.39 **TOTAL £26.93**

1617. Risk Assessment and Financial Risk Assessment

The Clerk had circulated the document for consideration.

RESOLVED: To approve the Risk Assessment and Financial Risk Assessment.

1618. Community Defibrillators.

Nothing to report.

1619. Historic Memorials

The War Memorials Trust had approved the pre-application but would not grant aid the steel edging, as this was not work to the memorial itself. The Council could now submit a full application (closing date 30th March 2020). The Clerk had arranged to meet with Cllr Sanderson to complete the application process.

1620. Northants County Council.

No Correspondence

1621. Daventry District Council

Parish Elections – Timetable and process. The information regarding the forthcoming elections had been received and the Clerk provided current Councillors with a nomination pack.

The DDC Settlements and Countryside Local Plan (Part2) had been adopted

1622. Broad band

There was a suggestion that the continued delay regarding the installation of the infrastructure would continue, and that residents might be advised to install their own 4G network. Cllr Sanderson offered to find someone to speak to the next meeting about this type of provision.

1623. NCALC

NCALC had issued a survey to all clerks and councillors regarding the service provided by NCALC and the council's relationship with its district authority. The Chairmen encouraged those members who had not already done so to respond to the survey.

1624. CPRE

No contact.

Cllr Sanderson had attended a meeting of Northants **ACRE** looking at Zero Carbon policies for villages and those present spoke about the possibility of cluster meetings to look at local issues and initiatives.

Cllr Sanderson raised the issue of payment for the event as the council was not a member and it was **AGREED** to pay the £10 booking fee rather than join, as had been suggested.

The Council had taken the decision earlier in the year not to re-join Northants ACRE.

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1625. Neighbour Welcome Packs

The packs were ready for distributing to new residents.

1626. Complaints.

The Clerk advised that she had received a complaint relating to a member of the council and had responded accordingly. It did not relate to the activities of the Council.

1627. A5 Flooding and Update re roadworks

Any updates received continue to be posted on the website.

1628. Footpath Report

A report had been received from the footpath warden, relating to the five paths that she had walked recently, and there were no significant issues to report other than a small tree across a gateway on FE6 by Sheepfold Grange.

1629. Future Meeting dates.

2020 – 6th April, 18th May (APM & AGM)

29th June, 10th August, 21st September, 2nd November, 7th December

Please note that due to the regulations relating to Coronavirus, the meeting scheduled for 6th April will not take place