Stowe Nine Churches Parish Council

Chairman Cllr S Henley

Clerk - Mrs L Carter

Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting

Held on Monday 1st November 2021 at 8.00pm in the Old School Rooms, Church Stowe

Present: Cllrs S Henley (Chair), A Brodie, S Callear, D Lane, C Newitt,

Parish Clerk - L Carter

Cllrs D Smith and R Frost (WNC)

1893. Apologies for absence

Apologies were received and accepted from Cllr Teague and from Unitary Cllr J Gilford.

1894. Declarations of interest for items on the agenda.

No Declarations were made

1895. Minutes.

Councillors received and **APPROVED** the minutes of the meeting held on 13th September 2021 and the EGM held on 7th October 2021

1896. Matters arising from previous minutes

No matters were raised.

1897. Unitary Councillors

The Unitary Councillors advised that a new Planning Enforcement policy had been adopted and was on the website; West Northants Council had submitted a bid for City Status for Northampton; national pay award of 1.75%. had been approved; the council was pushing the Covid-19 booster programme and there was councillor funding available for groups that had contributed to supporting residents over the past year.

Cllr Smith asked that e-mails regarding St Alnoth's Barn be forwarded to him to enable him to speak to officers.

1898. Planning applications received.

New Applications - None

Previous Applications

WND/2021/0059 Dairy Farm, Main Street, Upper Stowe, NN7 4SH – Refused - Councillors were advised that there had been no confirmation regarding an appeal against the enforcement notice.

DA/2015/0195 – Land at Stowe Hill, Watling Street, Weedon - The retrospective application had been received and the Parish Council's policy-based response had been submitted. The application had been called in and a committee date would be advised in due course.

1899. Planning Approvals— Review of past planning applications.

DA/2015/1164 – Land adjoining Sheepfold Grange, Upper Stowe- the Clerk was advised that sufficient work had been carried out for the application to remain live for the foreseeable future.

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1900. Highways Matters

The request to West Northamptonshire Road Safety Panel for a speed limit in Upper Stowe, had been made. The Highways Liaison Officer had walked the village with the Chair and the Clerk to consider ways in which the speed might be reduced in Church Stowe but advised that the low levels of traffic would not justify any further action.

1901. Statement of accounts/accounts for payment.

i. Councillors **NOTED** the Bank statement of 30 October showing a balance of £6005.86:

ii Councillors **APPROVED** the following payments:

BHIB Insurance £255.82 S Henley (Expenses – Filing Cabinet disposal) £50.00 TOTAL £305.82

1902. Footpath Report

No report available this month – it was hoped that there would be a report to the next meeting.

1903. Community Defibrillators

The First Responder had indicated that he would be available to provide training in the use of the defibrillators. The Clerk would confirm a date for early 2022 and the opportunity would be advertised in the village newsletter.

1904. Historic Memorials

Additional gravel had been purchased for the surround which would be spread before Remembrance Sunday.

1905. Village Benches

The bench on Main Street between Church Stowe and the Preston Capes Road would be replaced in the spring.

1906. Queen's Platinum Jubilee

The WI would hold their community breakfast on 2nd June as a celebration event, and it was suggested that the Parish Council might provide a suitable tree to be planted in the Old School Rooms yard if permission from the Parochial Church Council was given.

1907. Community Breakfast

The WI Community Breakfast had been a success and would be held on a quarterly basis with the next one on Saturday 4th December.

1908. Village Newsletter

The Clerk now had e-mail addresses for those residents who had agreed to have their details passed on. The newsletter would be produced on a quarterly basis with the first edition out before the end of the month. Previous contributors would be contacted for copy, and paper copies would be provided for residents not receiving an e-mail version.

1909. West Northamptonshire Council.

The on-line Parish Forum was being held on 17th November. Cllrs Newitt and Callear hoped to be available.

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1910. NCALC.

NCALC were holding two sessions during Anti Bullying Week (15-19th November) looking at resilience and handling difficult situations. There would also be a joint session with Northamptonshire SLCC for which the Parish Clerk was the joint host.

1911. CPRE

Nothing to report.

1912. Complaints

The Chairman had received complaints regarding St Alnoth's Barn, and the Clerk had been in correspondence with the Planning Officer. The Council hoped that any development on the land would be considered on the same basis as other applications within the parish.

1913. Matters for information.

The Clerk had received information from Daventry regarding support for carers

1914. Future Meeting dates

The next meeting would be held on 7th December.

<u>Proposed dates for 2021</u> were 17th January, 28th February, 11th April, 23rd May, 27th June, 8th August, 18th September, 31st October and 12th December.

Chairman	Date