

Draft Minutes of Stoke Golding Parish Council

Minutes of the 367th meeting of Stoke Golding Parish Council held in the Methodist Church Hall on Wednesday 1st June 2016

Attendance: Cllr R Terheege (in the chair), Cllrs, S Beale, C Pegg, P Goodsell, R Mitchell, N Smith and Parish Clerk Theresa Case and Borough Councillor Reg Ward.

367/1 Apologies for Absence: Cllr R Fisher and County Cllr Ivan Ould.

367/2 Declarations of interest on items on the agenda: There were none.

A report from County Councillor Ivan Ould was circulated to all councillors prior to the meeting.

Borough Councillor Reg Ward reported on the following:

1. Planning – continues to be contentious with councillors throwing back applications and subsequent appeals which has considerable cost implications. The reconstruction of the Council, with one Chief Executive and no deputies, but heads of departments, will create substantial savings for HBBC.
2. Hinckley West – the development of 850 homes next to the Triumph factory will come up for outline planning shortly and will include a primary school, industrial units and sympathetic landscaping. It will be an 11 year project with first stage unlikely to be complete before 2017. Access in/out will be via the perimeter road and road improvements will be carried out.
3. Bids for the old Leisure Centre – likely to be pulled down and used for housing or offices.
4. Gym on the Crescent/new Leisure Centre – are both been used well.
5. Wykin Lane Cemetery – Cllr Ward noted how good it looked.
6. Mar City – to retain ownership of the community land. To be discussed later on the agenda.

Cllr Terheege reported on a meeting about the proposed A5 dual carriageway between Dodwell Island and the Longshoot.

367/3 Confirmation of 366th meeting minutes:

The minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on 4th May 2016 were proposed by Cllr Beale and seconded by Cllr Pegg and unanimously AGREED that the Chairman signed the minutes of the 366th meeting as a correct record of the meeting. The Chairman signed the minutes.

367/4 Matters arising:

Crime figures - one burglary near St Margaret's Road, still under investigation.

Wykin Lane pot holes – the highways inspector has arranged for works to repair over riding and to complete small patch repairs to carriageway.

Soil Mound at recreation field– has now been removed as previously agreed.

367/5 Reports of elected officers of the council and the clerk:

a) Financial Progress Report

The Financial Report was proposed by Cllr Beale and seconded by Cllr Pegg and UNANIMOUSLY AGREED to approve the report and it was signed by the Chairman. Quarterly verification of the actual bank statements was carried out by Cllr Beale on 10th May 2016.

b) Reports of Council representatives and Clerk:

Cllr Pegg reported that emergency work at the pavilion to replace the ceiling that was damaged by the leaking roof and emergency repairs to shower area and drainage had been priced at £634.00. It was agreed this work should be completed as soon as possible. PROPOSED: Cllr Pegg. SECONDED: Cllr Beale.

ACTION: Cllr Pegg to instruct contractor to complete the work.

c) Playground inspection: Nothing to report.

Mike Smith has priced the mesh required to stabilise the ground under the matting at the roundabout at £60. It was agreed that the mesh should be purchased and installed when addressing ground level issues. PROPOSED: Cllr Goodsell. SECONDED: Cllr Mitchell.

367/6 Planning Application Matters:

Planning application procedures were discussed and reviewed as follows:

a) New Applications:

Trinity House, 16 Main St, SG – two storey side and rear extension. No comment.

b) Permissions granted:

Tithe Farm, 12 Wykin Lane, SG – erection of barn.

88 Sherwood Rd, SG – rebuilding of detached garage.

c) Refusals:

None

d) Appeal:

None

367/7 To co-opt a parish councillor

It was proposed by Cllr Mitchell, seconded by Cllr Goodsell and unanimously AGREED that Nicola Smith be co-opted on to the Parish Council. Cllr Terheege welcomed Nicola to the Parish Council. Nicola signed the Declaration of Acceptance of Office.

367/8 Neighbourhood Plan

The minutes of the Neighbourhood Plan Advisory Committee meeting held on the 18th May were circulated to all councillors prior to the meeting.

It was resolved that Kirkwells should be appointed to advise in the development of the neighbourhood plan. PROPOSED: Cllr Mitchell. SECONDED: Cllr Beale.

ACTION: Clerk to write to all three consultants to inform them of the decision. Copy to Cllr Mitchell.

It was resolved that Cllr Mitchell should claim the government neighbourhood plan grant on behalf of the Parish Council. PROPOSED: Cllr Goodsell. SECONDED: Cllr Smith.

Cllr Mitchell reported that the boundary should be agreed by 16th June.

The Housing Needs Survey was discussed. It was agreed that the survey should be conducted as soon as possible and noted that it could incorporate questions relevant to the neighbourhood plan. The proposed survey and cover letter should be considered by the Neighbourhood Plan Advisory Committee (NPAC), who will liaise with Kirkwells and Hinckley and Bosworth Borough Council planning officers, and then will be approved by the Parish Council to ensure appropriate wording before the survey is sent out to residents. PROPOSED: Cllr Goodsell. SECONDED: Cllr Mitchell.

The Growth Workshop, looking at potential growth and development in the area from 2026 onwards, was discussed. Cllr Mitchell reported that the NPAC would be advised of the chosen time slot for regional allocation once it had been agreed.

Borough Cllr Ward noted that the Mira Enterprise Zone will not to be included in the area for the Higham on the Hill Neighbourhood Plan.

367/9 Sport in Stoke Golding

Cllr Pegg met with Graham Chilvers of LRS at HBBC to discuss the plans for the pavilion and for drainage improvements to the recreation field. Graham will look at the development plans submitted by the sports clubs to ensure they meet the requirements for funding and has also provided a proposed constitution for the Sport in Stoke Golding (SISG) committee. Once the committee is set up an application can be made to Pro-help: for architect's advice and the services of a quantity surveyor.

ACTION: Cllr Pegg to check the detail of the constitution with Graham and to arrange a meeting with the sports clubs to form the committee as soon as possible.

Pitch hire issues and fees were also discussed.

367/10 Play equipment

The table tennis table will need a concrete base at an additional cost of £895. The Xmas Sleigh donation can be used towards this project and the remainder is to be claimed from 106 monies. It was agreed that the company should be asked to come out and survey the area to insure installation is possible and also check necessary insurance is in place. PROPOSED: Cllr Mitchell. SECONDED: Cllr Beale.

ACTION: Clerk to claim additional 106 monies once survey and checks have been completed.

367/11 Dog waste collection

The new dog waste collection contract with Hinckley and Bosworth Borough Council was approved at a quarterly cost of £384.80. PROPOSED: Cllr Pegg. SECONDED: Cllr Smith.

367/12 Wykin Lane Cemetery – gravel additions to graves

Cllr Pegg reported that two graves at Wykin Lane cemetery have gravel/pebbles borders around the headstones. This presents a health and safety hazard during mowing and strimming.

ACTION: Clerk to contact families to ask for them to be removed.

367/13 Environmental Improvement Programme – grave repairs

Ray Tunks will identify the graves which have no families to attend.

367/14 Convent site community land

Cllrs Pegg and Goodsell and David Goodsell have met and identified the work that still needs to be carried out on the community land by the developer. It was established that the ground level is too high and concerns were raised about the safety of the balancing pond. A report has been submitted to Mar City and the time limits of the proposed lease agreement have also been discussed.

ACTION: Cllr Pegg to arrange a meeting with Mar City to discuss further.

367/15 Leaflet distribution

The Clerk reported that local free magazines use their own team of distributors.

ACTION: Clerk to ask other Parish Councils what arrangements they have for distribution of newsletters and to investigate the possibility of flyers in the free magazines.

367/16 Recreation ground car park

The Village Hall Management Committee will discuss at their next meeting. Cllr Pegg noted that grants will be available towards this project as part of the pavilion project. The edges of the existing car park were also discussed and Cllr Pegg confirmed that this could be included in any quotes for the overflow car park.

ACTION: Cllr Pegg to continue to investigate and seek quotes as part of the SISG project.

367/17 To resolve upon the monthly schedule of payments

The schedule of payments was proposed by Cllr Mitchell and seconded by Cllr Pegg and unanimously agreed. The Chairman signed the schedule. The cheques were signed by two signatories. Payments were made as follows: May 2016 – block paving - cleaning £840.00, dog waste collection £156.25 and June 2016 – electricity to pavilion £29.00, admin £480.48, litter bin/dog waste collections £23.09 and £207.20, village planters £298.66, 2 x ground maintenance £1,217.67 and £295.00, Methodist Church Hall hire £97.50.

367/18 To receive and consider such communications as received by the Chairman of the council**Written**

Armed Forces Day – noted.

Convent Drive – ACTION: Clerk to forward concerns to Head of St Martins Catholic Academy, LCC Highways and County Cllr Ivan Ould and reply to resident.

Air ambulance textile recycling bank – agreed on a temporary basis of twelve months due to concerns regarding potential loss of car parking space. ACTION: Clerk to reply.

Thefts to church roofs – ACTION: Clerk to forward notice to churches in the village.

Verbal

Resident of Bennett Close - Brambles/nettles in Hinckley Road Cemetery.

ACTION: Cllr Pegg to assess. Clerk to reply to resident.

367/19 To consider items needed to be brought to public's attention

None

367/20 Any Other Business

Cllr Mitchell reported on a meeting of the Stoke Golding Boy's Charity.

Cllr Beale brought up the idea of brick built barbeques at the recreation field. The picnic at the recreation field is provisionally arranged for 5th August 2016.

MATTERS FROM WHICH THE PUBLIC MAY BE EXCLUDED - There were none.

The meeting closed at 9.15pm

Next meeting:- Methodist Church Hall, Wednesday 6th July 2016 at 7pm

