

Minutes of Stoke Golding Parish Council Convent Open Space Committee

Minutes on the 31st meeting of Stoke Golding Parish Council Convent Open Space Committee held at 7pm on 18th October 2023 at the Methodist Hall

- **Attendance:** Cllr C Pegg (in the chair), Cllr A McLean (AM), Rachel Terheege (RT), Mark Style (MS)

31/1 To receive apologies for absence:

- It was **NOTED** that there were apologies from David Goodsell (DG), Chris Jephcote (CJ)

31/2 To receive declarations of interest on items on the agenda and dispensations:

The following was **RESOLVED:**

- It was **NOTED** that declarations still applied as per previous meetings

31/3 Public participation – to consider any comments by the public on items on the agenda:

The following was **RESOLVED:**

- It was **NOTED** that there were none.

31/4 To confirm the minutes of the previous meeting of the committee

The following was **RESOLVED:**

- It was **NOTED** that minutes of the meeting held on 20th September 2023 were unanimously **AGREED** and the Chairman signed the minutes of the 30th meeting as a correct record of the meeting.

31/5 To consider any matters arising from previous decisions of the committee not covered by the agenda

The following was **RESOLVED:**

- It was **NOTED** that there were none

31/6 To consider formal play area matters

The following was **RESOLVED:**

- It was **NOTED** that the contractor is due to start laying the hard core and matting next week.

31/7 To consider allotments matters

The following was **RESOLVED:**

- It was **NOTED** that the pile of chippings has been removed.
- CP has arranged a meeting with Phil D to define the area of the allotments. This will enable a formal agreement to be drawn up between the allotment users and the Parish Council
- After consulting the insurance company, it was agreed to recommend to the PC that ' No access' signs should be fitted to the gates leading to the allotment area.

31/8 To consider orchard area matter

The following was **RESOLVED:**

- It was **NOTED** that the debris has been cleared from the orchard area by contractors.
- The County Council has agreed to provide free trees for the orchard area and enough hedging for 150metres of hedge. There will also be trees to form a copse within the large open area. They should be available in November and should be planted as soon as possible.

31/9 To consider conifer area matters

The following was **RESOLVED:**

- It was **NOTED** that the application for a grant for trees to replace the conifer area has gone to Severn Trent

31/10 To consider gates matters

The following was **RESOLVED:**

- It was **NOTED** that it will be necessary to decide what to do with the original iron gates. MS and DG were asked to talk to Ironstyles to explore the options.

31/11 To consider balancing pond matters

The following was **RESOLVED:**

- It was **NOTED** that the PC solicitors are negotiating with S/T solicitors over ownership of the balancing pond.

- When the area is dry, it will be necessary to clear any debris underground. CP has arranged to see a maintenance company (C3) to look at the action required.

31/12 To receive and consider such communications as received by the Clerk

The following was **RESOLVED**:

- It was **NOTED** that there was none

31/13 To consider items needed to be brought to public's attention

The following was **RESOLVED**:

- It was **NOTED** that the public will be notified via Facebook that work is to start in the play area on Wednesday

31/14 To consider future agenda items

The following was **RESOLVED**:

- It was **NOTED** that there was none

The meeting closed at 7.50pm

Next meeting: - 7pm, Wednesday, 15th November 2023 at the Methodist Hall