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Minutes of Stoke Golding Parish Council Convent Open Space Committee

Minutes on the 18th meeting of Stoke Golding Parish Council Convent Open Space Committee held at 7pm on 20th July 2022 at the Methodist Hall

- Attendance: Cllr C Pegg (in the chair), Rachel Terheege (RT), Chris Jephcote (CJ), Cllr A McLean (AM),
- 18/1 To receive apologies for absence:
 - It was **NOTED** that apologies were received from David Goodsell (DG),

18/2 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

18/3 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.

18/4 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 15th June 2022 were unanimously **AGREED** and the Chairman signed the minutes of the 17th meeting as a correct record of the meeting.

18/5 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

18/6 To consider formal play area matters

The following was **RESOLVED**:

- It was **NOTED** that the area is now open. The bench and the bin have been fitted. **ACTION**: Could SB notify the bin collectors that the bin is not visible from the road but just inside the fence.
- The contractor has completed all outstanding safety issues, the internal gate to play area now opens fully and the signs are up.
- There has been good feedback so far but there are some thistles that may need digging up later.

18/7 To consider allotments matters

The following was RESOLVED:

- It was **NOTED** that the allotment people had a sign on the gate restricting entry, which they have now attached to a pole. This is not correct as the area is open to the public. It was suggested that SB write to them explaining the situation and asking them to communicate any issues of security and possible solutions to the committee
- The original drainage company have resubmitted their quote but this needs clarification before presenting to the PC.

18/8 To consider orchard area matters

The following was **RESOLVED**:

- It was NOTED that a grant application has been submitted but they require a further two quotes.
 ACTION: CP to obtain two quotes. If this is successful it would cover 75% of the cost of trees and their planting.
- The PC agreed that the contractor can replace the hedge abutting the gate with a fence as soon as the pedestrian gate is ready to be fitted.

18/9 To consider conifer area matters

The following was RESOLVED:

- It was NOTED that the tree specialist has submitted a quote for clearing the area completely and removal of waste, but leaving some wood cuttings if required, and replacing with a range of species of young trees
- The full cost can be sent to Thomas Barton to see if they are interest in funding a new Barton Wood.

 ACTION: CP to circulate the quote to see if acceptable and complete, pass to SB for PC meeting and to speak to TB.

18/10 To consider gates matters

The following was **RESOLVED**:

• It was **NOTED** that the matter of the gates cannot be resolved until ownership of the S/T area is resolved. Discussions are ongoing.

18/11 To consider balancing pond matters

The following was RESOLVED:

- It was **NOTED** that the contractor has been asked to resubmit his quote to flail the area beyond the balancing pond to the fence.
- It was NOTED that any contractors working in this area must now be aware that it is open to the
 public and must take the necessary precautions regarding fencing off the relevant areas and putting
 up signs

18/12 To receive and consider such communications as received by the Clerk

The following was **RESOLVED:**

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

18/13 To consider items needed to be brought to public's attention

The following was **RESOLVED**:

It was NOTED that there were none

18/14 To consider future agenda items

The following was RESOLVED:

• It was **NOTED** that there was none.

The meeting closed at 8.20pm

Next meeting: - Wednesday, 17th August 2022 at 7.00pm at the Methodist Church Hall