

Minutes of Stoke Golding Parish Council Convent Open Space Committee

Minutes of the 15th meeting of Stoke Golding Parish Council Convent Open Space Committee held on 20th April 2022 at the Methodist Hall

- **Attendance:** Cllr C Pegg (in the chair), Cllr A McLean (AM), Sarah Robinson, Cllr Rachel Terheege (RT)(minutes) and 1 guest NS

15/1 To receive apologies for absence:

- It was **NOTED** that apologies were received from David Goodsell (DG), Mark Styles (MS)

15/2 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

15/3 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.

15/4 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 16th March 2022 were unanimously **AGREED** and the Chairman signed the minutes of the 14th meeting as a correct record of the meeting.

15/5 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

15/6 To consider formal play area matters

The following was **RESOLVED:**

- It was **NOTED** that that the committee recommend that the PC engage MS to do the work to the slide as per the ROSPA report at £480. Other work to fit safety surfacing (£1300) , if agreed, will be carried out as required.
- A contractor will open up the fence for entry to the site and fit a sign to the middle panel with the proposed name 'Convent Meadow'
- Jason will quote to flatten the area by the gate and MS will quote to fit a 'one-way Stratford gate' at the car park entry.
- The Members Highway Fund will pay for a Glasdon bench, a Bin-shop bin and a Glasdon table .ACTION – SB to order and to obtain a quote for the gate. MS will quote to install them.

15/7 To consider informal open space matters

The following was **RESOLVED:**

- It was **NOTED** that this area needs marking out but the contractor is not happy to use his machinery on the unknown builder's hazards under the surface. This area needs clearing and disclaimer signs put up regarding the uneven ground.

15/8 To consider allotments matters

The following was **RESOLVED:**

- It was **NOTED** that it was hoped that the drainage contractor would begin in March to complete a French drain but the contractor is struggling with the inflation of costs and may have to send a new quote for the work or reduce the amount of work done.
- MS had agreed to set up a work party to clear some of their litter but nothing has happened. ACTION: SB to write to the Allotment committee and ask when this will commence.
- The carpark area needs to be marked out.

15/9 To consider orchard area matters

The following was **RESOLVED:**

- It was **NOTED** that work to tidy this area will begin in the autumn when birds are not nesting.

14510 To consider conifer area matters

The following was **RESOLVED**:

- It was **NOTED** that CP has asked two contractors for quotes for cutting, removing where necessary and replanting. They are aware that, if the group can obtain free trees, these quotes would need to be adjusted. This will be presented to the Thomas Barton Charity as a prospective future project.
- CP has again contacted Severn Trent. It now seems that there is a question about the ownership of the land which has to be remedied before any further action on the S/T area can be agreed.
- A future project will be a woodland play area. ACTION: AM & SR to see what is available and get quotes so that the project can be presented to Thomas Barton

15/11 To consider boundary and gates matters

The following was **RESOLVED**:

- It was **NOTED** that the boundary issue has been rectified and the fence has been replaced. (NOTE – Sarah will you amend future agenda item 11 to read to consider gates matter)

15/12 To consider balancing pond matters

The following was **RESOLVED**:

- It was **NOTED** that the balancing pond was inspected previously and said to not be a health and safety hazard. A notice board explaining the use and benefit of the pond should be considered.

15/13 To consider compost toilet future and insurance implications

The following was **RESOLVED**:

- It was **NOTED** that the item is insured and on the asset list as a toilet /hide. The contractor is treating the exterior to safeguard it against the weather. It will be moved and adapted when the area is ready to receive it.
- AM is to contact designer of the apple and ask if he will make some screening for the hide (to replace the apple)

15/14 To receive and consider such communications as received by the Clerk

The following was **RESOLVED**:

- It was **NOTED** that a name for the area is recommended as Convent Meadow which should be included on the signs.

15/15 To consider items needed to be brought to public's attention

The following was **RESOLVED**:

- It was **NOTED** that information about the opening of the area should be put out once the contractor is ready to open the fence area and a pedestrian gate is fitted. A date will be set for an official opening.

15/16 To consider future agenda items

The following was **RESOLVED**:

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

The meeting closed at 8.10pm

Next meeting: - Wednesday 18th May 2022 at 7.00pm at the Methodist Hall