

Minutes of Stoke Golding Parish Council

Minutes of the **453rd** meeting of Stoke Golding Parish Council held on Wednesday **7th June 2023** at the Methodist Church Hall.

Attendance: Cllr N Smith ,Cllr A McLean, Cllr R Fisher, Cllr M Styles , Cllr M Serednycky, Parish Clerk S Beale R Crowfoot from the NPAC, Cllr M Surtees (Borough Council) 2 residents

453/1 To receive councillors' acceptance of office who were absent from the May meeting.

The following was RESOLVED:

It was NOTED that Cllr K Elliott and Cllr C Pegg have signed their declarations of office.

It was NOTED that all other councillors had signed their declarations of office at Mays meeting.

453/2 To receive and accept apologies for absence:

The following was RESOLVED:

Cllr V Palmer.

453/3 To receive declarations of interest on items on the agenda and dispensations:

The following was RESOLVED:

- A dispensation was previously AGREED for all Councillors to participate in any discussion and vote in relation to the Neighbourhood Plan for a period of one year.
- It was NOTED that Cllr McLean has declared a dispensation which was previously AGREED for any discussion and vote in relation to the Convent Open Space until 31st March 2027
- It was NOTED that Cllr Pegg has a dispensation which was previously AGREED for any discussion and vote in relation to the Bosworth Manor Open Space until 31st March 2027
- A dispensation was previously AGREED for all Councillors to participate in any discussions and vote in relation to the budget and setting of the precept for four years.
- It was NOTED that Cllr Smith has declared an interest in the new Wykin Lane housing development.
- It was NOTED that Cllr Styles has declared a dispensation to discuss and vote in relation to the Convent Open Space/Convent Meadow until 31st March 2027.
- It was NOTED that Cllr A McLean declared an interest in agenda item 453/13

453/4 To receive reports by County and Borough Councillors

The following was RESOLVED:

County Cllr Bertie Harrison-Rushton report was NOTED.

Borough Cllr Miriam Surtess report

- The planning department were building up a new team .

453/5 Public participation – to consider any comments by the public on items on the agenda:

The following was RESOLVED:

- It was NOTED there were none.

453/6 To confirm the minutes of the **451st** meeting of the Parish Council and the extraordinary **452nd** meeting of the Parish Council.

It was RESOLVED that the minutes of the **451st** Parish Council meeting held on **10th May 2023** and the **452nd** Parish Council (extra ordinary) meeting held on the **31st May 2023** were unanimously AGREED and the Chair signed the minutes of the **451st** and **452nd** meetings as a correct record of the meetings.

453/7 To consider any matters arising from previous decisions of the Parish Council not covered by the agenda:

The following was RESOLVED:

- It was NOTED there was nothing to report.

453/8 To receive and consider such communications as received by the Clerk.

The following was RESOLVED:

Written:

- Emails from residents' concerned over the height of Cora Homes development were NOTED and the clerk reported that she is in contact with HBBC enforcement officer and Cllr M Surtess
- The 1485 sculpture trail newsletter and update were NOTED.
- Emails from residents with concerns about start times at the new development were NOTED and the clerk reported that she is in contact with HBBC.
- Water meter resighting email was NOTED and ACTION the clerk to look into it further.

Verbal:

- None

453/9 Planning Applications:

Planning applications were considered, and any comments resolved as follows:

To receive and consider applications, amendments, permissions, refusals, appeals, and withdrawals received since the meeting **10th May 2023** and resolve or ratify any comments thereon.

a) New applications

- 23/00483/FUL 36 Station Road- 5 bed house.
COMMENT: Neutral -no vision impact assessment has been done and consideration needed of the Neighbourhood Plan SG10 view C.

b)Amendments

- 23/00425/CONDIT Greencrest Higham Lane- add chimney pot/dorma window and solar panel.
COMMENT: None

- 22/00662/FUL re- consultation 25 homes Mulberry farm

COMMENT: Full comments on application and how it doesn't comply with the Neighbourhood Plan sent to HBBC

c)Permissions granted.

- 23/00153/HOU 21 Station Road extension

d)Refusals-none

e)Appeals.-none

f)Withdrawals-none

g)Meetings

- Meeting between the clerk, Cllr M Surtees and HBBC enforcement officer at Cora homes development was NOTED.
- Davidsons request for a meeting was NOTED and ACTION the clerk to ask for ideas and a scheme of works before a meeting can take place.

453/10 To receive the minutes of Neighbourhood Plan Advisory Committee (NPAC) meetings and to consider any recommendations.

The following was RESOLVED:

- The minutes from the May meeting were NOTED.
- The new timetable for the progress of the revised plan was NOTED.
- Thanks was given to Cllr Fisher (who has stepped down from the committee) for all her hard work over the years.

453/11 To resolve upon the Monthly Schedule of Payments

- It was RESOLVED that payments have been checked against the invoices by Cllr McLean and the schedule of payments was unanimously AGREED and Cllr Smith and Cllr McLean signed the schedule. The Parish Council to proceed with payments as follows **May 2023** :clerks' salary and office expenditure £1593.58 , pavilion electricity £30.48 + £1.52 VAT, ground maintenance – contract £2276.68 additional work £149.69 playground inspections £45 phone £12.50 + £2.50 VAT, swing £149.19 + £29.84,Tree work £1000 + £200 VAT, wildflower seed £401.62 + £80.32 VAT, signs £108 +£21.60 VAT, defib pads £66.95 +£13.39,chairmans allowance £38.50.

453/12 Reports of elected officers of the council and the clerk:

Financial Progress Report

The following was RESOLVED:

a) Financial progress report

- The Financial Report for **May** was unanimously AGREED and signed by the Chair.
- Income for the month May was NOTED at £3597.00
- Expenditure for the month of **May 2023** was VERIFIED at £20,031.71 plus £2369.87 VAT to be reclaimed.
- The bank reconciliation for the month of **May** was NOTED.

b) Verify bank statements.

• The bank statements were verified by Cllr McLean £31,027.56 Unity trust, £61,091.38 NS&I, £39,097.81 NatWest

c) Playground inspection:

Monthly report:

The following was RESOLVED:

- It was NOTED there was nothing to report.

d) Ground Maintenance Report:

The following was RESOLVED:

- Ground maintenance report was NOTED.
- Padlocks for various gates had been purchased at a cost of £55.44.
- Wildflower seed had been purchased and sown at a cost of £38.75.
- Graves had been topped at a cost of £20.50.

e) Crime Report:

The following was RESOLVED:

- Crime figures for APRIL 2023 – the following figures were NOTED from the police.uk website:
2 x anti-social behaviour, 1 x public order, 2 x violence + sexual offence, 1 x burglary , 1 x other

f) Report by Clerk on other matters:

- It was NOTED that the clerk had attended the LCC operational meeting.

g) Reports of Councillors on meetings and training they have attended relating to the work of the Parish Council

- It was NOTED there was nothing to report.

453/13 To consider Convent Drive boundary issue.

The following was RESOLVED:

- It was NOTED that after further enquires it was recommended to obtain at RICS (Red book compliant) valuation at a cost of £575 + VAT. It was AGREED to go ahead with this valuation and ACTION the clerk to arrange.

453/14 To consider replacing defibrillator pads at the Methodist Church

- It was AGREED to purchased new pads at £62 + £4.95 VAT.

453/15 To consider Cora community strategy.

The following was RESOLVED:

- It was NOTED that suggestions for the strategy had been sent to Cora.

453/16 To review the privacy notice, staff and councillor privacy notices.

The following was RESOLVED:

- It was NOTED that the only changes required were the website address and email address needed updating and ACTION the clerk to amend.

453/17 To consider “Happy to chat “ bench signs.

The following was RESOLVED:

- It was AGREED to have signs on two benches in the recreational ground and ACTION the clerk obtain quotes.

453/18 To consider Zebra crossing on Hinckley Road

The following was RESOLVED:

- It was NOTED that the LCC will commission survey and it takes at least 10 weeks to provide comprehensive response.

453/19 To consider countdown to 30mph signs.

The following was RESOLVED:

- The kind of signs requested was discussed and ACTION the clerk to contact LCC with the details.

453/20 To consider 20mph speed limit and traffic calming.

The following was RESOLVED:

- It was NOTED that the LCC will commission survey and it takes at least 10 weeks to provide comprehensive response .ACTION the clerk to contact LCC and advise there has been a further accident on Hinckley Road.

453/21 To consider parking issues Main Street/Station Road junction.

The following was RESOLVED:

- . It was NOTED that the LCC will commission survey and it takes at least 10 weeks to provide comprehensive response.

453/22 To consider training.

The following was RESOLVED:

- It was NOTED that full council training was booked for 12th July 6pm-9pm at a cost of £210 + travel expenses.

453/23 To consider, next year's APM.

The following was RESOLVED:

- It was AGREED to hold the APM next year on the 16th April at the Village Hall .Action the clerk to book the hall .

453/24 To receive the minutes of Convent Open Space Committee (Convent Meadow) and update.

The following was RESOLVED:

- The minutes from the May meeting were NOTED.
- It was NOTED that more quotes were still needed for the woodland project.
- It was NOTED that deep water, uneven ground, and dog waste signs had been installed at a cost of £108 + £21.60 VAT.
- It was AGREED that a solicitor was now required for the land transfer and ACTION the clerk and Cllr Smith to look into it.

453/25 To consider the pavilion and new pavilion and pitches .

The following was RESOLVED:

- It was AGREED that St Margaret's school children could do litter picks in the recreational ground and to ACTION the clerk to contact the school.
- The water leak at the pavilion was NOTED and the clerk is chasing the plumber to repair.
- It was NOTED that a new padlock has been purchased at a cost of £28 for the pavilion.

453/26 To consider Bosworth Manor Open Space.

The following was RESOLVED:

- The reply from Morris Homes was NOTED and ACTION the clerk to copy in the solicitor and request we move forward with the transfer.

453/27 To consider Hinckley Road and Wykin Lane cemetery matters to include cemetery report jet washing.

The following was RESOLVED:

- Cemetery report was NOTED.
- Hinckley Road cemetery had been jet washed at an AGREED approximate cost of £110.
- ACTION the clerk to discuss turfing/grass seed for the area of reflection.

453/28 To consider works to the recreational ground.

The following was RESOLVED:

- It was NOTED the new swing seat had been fitted at a cost of £149.19 + 29.84 VAT.

453/29 To consider recreational ground car park extension.

- It was AGREED to set up a working party for the car park extension to include Cllr Styles, Cllr Fisher, and Cllr Pegg.
- The terms of reference were AGREED.
- It was AGREED for Cllr Styles to obtain three quotes for the initial work.

453/30 To consider works to trees and annual tree inspection.

The following was RESOLVED:

- The tree inspection report was NOTED and ACTION the clerk to arrange for the tree surgeon and Cllr Pegg to consider required works.
- It was NOTED that the Diocese had given permission for the work to the Lawson Cypress and Ash Tree in Hinckley Road cemetery and the clerk has ACTIONED the tree surgeon. It was AGREED that two oak trees would be put in the cemetery as replacements and ACTION the clerk to advise the diocese.

453/31 To consider Members Highway Fund

The following was RESOLVED:

- It was NOTED that the list had been sent to LCC and ACTION the clerk to add entrance gates.

453/32 To consider issues with lamp posts at the recreational ground.

The following was RESOLVED:

- It was NOTED there was nothing to report.

453/33 To consider appointing a representative to attend the LRALC AGM

The following was RESOLVED:

- It was NOTED that Cllr Elliott would attend LRALC AGM

453/34 To consider items needed to be brought to public's attention.

The following was RESOLVED:

- It was NOTED there was nothing to report.

453/35 To consider future agenda items.

The following was RESOLVED:

- It was AGREED to consider further committees.

The meeting closed 8:30 pm.

Next meeting:- Stoke Golding Methodist Church Hall, Wednesday 5th July at 7pm.