

Minutes of Stoke Golding Parish Council

Minutes of the 429th meeting of Stoke Golding Parish Council held in the Methodist Church Hall on Wednesday 4th August 2021

Attendance: Cllr R Terheege (in the chair) Cllr A McLean, Cllr R Fisher, Cllr K Elliott, Cllr C Pegg, M Ward (NPAC Chair) Borough Cllr Jonathan Collett, 2 residents.

429/1 To receive apologies for absence:

Cllr V Palmer, S Beale (clerk)

429/2 To receive declarations of interest on items on the agenda and dispensations:

The following was **RESOLVED:**

- It was **NOTED** that all Councillors have a pecuniary interest in item 429/9.
- 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 pecuniary interest in item 429/10 and a dispensation was previously **AGREED** for any discussion and vote in relation to the Convent Drive Open Space until 31st March 2023.
- It was **NOTED** that Cllr Pegg has declared a pecuniary interest in item 429/20 and a dispensation was previously **AGREED** for any discussion and vote in relation to the Bosworth Manor Open Space until 31st March 2023.

429/3 To receive report Borough Councillor

Borough Cllr Jonathan Collett reported, and the following was discussed:

1. Local plan consultation continues to 27th August.
2. JC has been called in to HBBC planning department to discuss sites in Stoke Golding and Higham. JC considers the villages are not sustainable for growth proposed by HBBC.

429/4 Public participation – to consider any comments by the public on items on the agenda:

The following was **RESOLVED:**

- It was **NOTED** that a resident thanked the PC for producing a public participation statement and queried PC planning training. The chair explained that several training courses for the councillors have been booked.

429/5 To confirm the minutes of the 428th meeting of the Parish Council:

It was **RESOLVED** that the minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on 7th July 2021 were unanimously **AGREED** and the Chairman signed the minutes of the 428th meeting as a correct record of the meeting.

429/6 To consider any matters arising from previous decisions of the Parish Council not covered by the agenda:

Updates:

None.

429/7 Reports of elected officers of the council and the clerk:

a) Financial Progress Report

The following was **RESOLVED:**

- The Financial Reports for July was deferred to September's meeting.
- Income for the month of July 2021 was **NOTED** at £ 0.00
- Expenditure for the month of July 2021 was **VERIFIED** at £2514.57 with £11.72 VAT to be reclaimed.
- The bank reconciliation for the month of July was deferred to September's meeting.

b) Playground inspection:

The following was **RESOLVED:**

It was **NOTED** that the monthly report had not been received by the time of the meeting.

c) Ground Maintenance Report:

The following was **RESOLVED:**

It was **NOTED** there was nothing to report.

d) Crime Report:

The following was **RESOLVED**:

Crime figures for May 2021 – the following figures were **NOTED** from the police.uk website:

- 1 violence & sexual offence, 2 anti-social behaviour, 2 public order, 1 possession of weapons, 1 other crime.

e) Report by Clerk on other matters:

The following was **RESOLVED**:

It was **NOTED** that there was nothing to report.

f) Reports of Councillors on meetings they have attended relating to the work of the Parish Council

The following was **RESOLVED**:

It was **NOTED** there was nothing to report.

429/8 Planning Application Matters:

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

a) New Applications:

- Outdoor menage (retrospective) Stoke Fields Farm Hinckley Road, Stoke Golding
- Detached outbuilding to front of house, Willow Barn, Wykin Lane, Stoke Golding
- Detached garage, Station House, Upton Lane, Stoke Golding
- Replacement boundary fence, Station House, Upton Lane, Stoke Golding
- Works to trees Blacksmith Yard, Stoke Golding

b) Amended/Resubmitted

None

c) Appeals:

None

d) Withdrawn:

None.

e) Refused:

- Erection of building and change of use of land to form a dog day care facility. Land east of Higham Lane Stoke Golding.

f) Approved:

- Single storey extension and dormer to rear, 99 Hinckley Rd, Stoke Golding

g) Declined to Make

None

h) Consultations

The following was **RESOLVED**:

It was **AGREED** that the PC objects to the minimum 200 new homes for Stoke Golding allocation in the draft of the new local plan. We are the smallest of the 10 key rural areas and have less facilities and we should be allocated a much smaller number of new homes due to the excess development we have already had recently approved.

429/9 To receive the minutes of Neighbourhood Plan Advisory Committee (NPAC) meetings and to consider any recommendations

The following was **RESOLVED**:

Minutes of the NPAC meetings held on the 19th July 2021 were **NOTED**.

A report by MW was **NOTED** and included:

- Comments required on regulation 16 need to be sent to HBBC by 16th August.
- M Ward brought the councillors up to date with progress with the Neighbourhood Plan and the protection it affords.
- It was **AGREED** to support the suggested allocation of 158 homes as proposed by the NPAC: 65 Roseway, 55 Wykin Lane, 25 Mulberry Farm and 13 windfall sites.

429/10 To receive an update on Convent Open Space meeting and update on Convent Open Space (COSC)

The following was **RESOLVED**:

- Minutes of the meeting held on 21st July were **NOTED**
- It was **AGREED** to proceed with bramble clearing at a cost of £1080

429/11 To review accessibility statement.

The following was **RESOLVED**:

- It was **NOTED** that no amendments were required to the accessibility statement.

429/12 To consider conclusion of audit

The following was **RESOLVED**:

- It was **NOTED** we are still waiting conclusion of audit.

429/13 To consider arrangements for Remembrance Day

The following was **RESOLVED**:

- It was **AGREED** to purchase wreath at an estimated cost of £20.00 under S137 expenditure.
- It was **AGREED** to proceed with booking the bugler, at an estimated cost of £35.00 under S137 expenditure.
- It was **NOTED** that any arrangements will be subject to government Covid-19 restrictions.
- **To ACTION** clerk to reconfirm cleaning of memorial and wall will take place in October.

429/14 To update on works to recreational field ditch area

The following was **RESOLVED**:

- It was **NOTED** that Cllr Pegg will contact developers of Wykin Lane for information on plans for access to recreational field and parking.

429/15 To update on drainage work at Wykin Lane Cemetery

The following was **RESOLVED**:

- It was **NOTED** that quotes still pending and **ACTION** the clerk to check what is budgeted for the work and find out when is the best time of year to do the work.

429/16 To consider works to Hinckley Road and Wykin Lane Cemetery

The following was **RESOLVED**:

- **To ACTION** clerk to contact cemetery association for advice on scattering of ashes and planting.
- **To ACTION** clerk to find out who is responsible for turfing graves.
- It was **AGREED** to proceed with tidying the area in Hinckley Road cemetery where five trees have previously been removed at a cost of £148.

429/17 To update on play equipment matting safety

The following was **RESOLVED**:

- It was **NOTED** that quotes still pending

429/18 To consider Laburnum Gardens Open Space

The following was **RESOLVED**:

- It was **NOTED** legal documents from developer's solicitor was still pending.

429/19 To update on maintenance of the pavilion

The following was **RESOLVED**:

- It was **NOTED** that quotes still pending.

429/20 To consider Bosworth Manor OpenSpace

The following was **RESOLVED**:

- It was **NOTED** confirmation still pending on who is to pay legal costs.
- **To ACTION** clerk to obtain further quotes from solicitors.

429/21 To consider and adopt a public participation at Parish Council meetings statement.

The following was **RESOLVED**:

- It was unanimously **AGREED** to consider and adopt the public participation statement and to publish on the Stoke Golding website.

429/22 To consider public waste bins

The following was **RESOLVED**:

- **To ACTION** the clerk to contact HBBC regarding a dual rubbish bin instead of the existing bin in front of the hairdressers on Main Street/ Station Road.

429/23 To consider councillor and clerk training

The following was **RESOLVED**:

- It was **NOTED** that various training courses for the clerk and the councillors has been booked.

429/24 To consider The Queens Platinum Jubilee

The following was **RESOLVED**:

- It was **NOTED** that a subcommittee would be formed and to **ACTION** Cllr. K Elliott to look into possible activities.

429/25 To consider replacement flag

The following was **RESOLVED**:

- To **ACTION** the clerk to purchase a new flag to replace the one that went missing at an **AGREED** cost of £61.20 under S137 expenditure.

429/26 To consider defibrillator pads.

The following was **RESOLVED**:

- It was **NOTED** that new pads that were not required were sent back.

429/27 To resolve upon the Monthly Schedule of Payments

It was **RESOLVED** that payments have been checked against the invoices and the schedule of payments was unanimously **AGREED** and the Chairman signed the schedule. The Parish Council to proceed with payments as follows: August 2021: clerk's salary and office expenditure £671.31, pavilion electricity £32.00, ground maintenance – contract £1690.06, additional work £0.00. Garden Show donation £60, New flag £61.20

429/28 To receive and consider such communications as received by the Clerk

The following was **RESOLVED**:

Written

- Email from resident regarding the hedge on the land behind Bennetts Close was **NOTED** and it was **AGREED** that work was to be put back on the normal schedule of ground maintenance work.

Verbal

- Resident raised concerns with traffic **ACTION** the clerk to find out if the road sign at Convent Drive can be moved to a more visible location.

429/29 To consider items needed to be brought to public's attention

None.

429/30 To consider future agenda items

The following was **RESOLVED**:

- To consider the future of the composting toilet and willow apple location.

429/31 To consider entering a confidential session to legal matters

The following was **RESOLVED**:

- It was **AGREED** to enter a confidential session and members of the public were asked to leave the meeting.

429/32 To consider boundary dispute

The following was **RESOLVED**:

- It was **NOTED** that there was nothing to report from the solicitor and to **ACTION** the clerk to chase up.

The meeting closed at 9:30pm

Next meeting: Stoke Golding Methodist Church Hall, Wednesday 1st September at 7.00pm