

Minutes of Stoke Golding Parish Council

Minutes of the **456th** meeting of Stoke Golding Parish Council held on Wednesday **2nd August 2023** at the Methodist Church Hall.

Attendance: (in the chair) Cllr N Smith, Cllr A McLean , Cllr R Fisher, Cllr M Styles , Cllr V Palmer ,Cllr C Pegg, Cllr M Serednycky ,Parish Clerk S Beale R Crowfoot and M Ward from the NPAC, Cllr M Surtees (Borough Councillor) Cllr B Harrison-Rushton (County Councillor)

456/1 To receive and accept apologies for absence:

The following was RESOLVED:

Cllr K Elliott sent apologies and they were accepted.

456/2 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 456/32

456/3 To receive reports by County and Borough Councillors

The following was RESOLVED:

County Cllr Bertie Harrison-Rushton report:

- County Council budget issues NOTED.
- Tree planting programme NOTED.

Borough Cllr Miriam Surtess report:

- Borough Council finances update NOTED.

456/4 Public participation – to consider any comments by the public on items on the agenda:

The following was RESOLVED:

- It was NOTED there were none.

456/5 To confirm the minutes of the **454th** meeting and the **455th extra ordinary meeting** of the Parish Council.

It was RESOLVED that the minutes of the **454th** Parish Council meeting held on **5th July 2023** were unanimously AGREED with an update on the comments sent for planning application 21/01442/FUL and of the **455th** extra ordinary meeting Chair signed the minutes of the **454th and 455th** meetings as a correct record of the meetings.

456/6 To consider any matters arising from previous decisions of the Parish Council not covered by the agenda:

The following was RESOLVED:

- It was NOTED that we were unable to nominate our chosen group for the Kings award and councillors to reconsider and send any suggestions to the clerk.

456/7 To receive and consider such communications as received by the Clerk.

The following was RESOLVED:

Written:

- CAMRA reply was NOTED and ACTION the clerk to reply.
- Resident query over planning application comments NOTED and the clerk has replied.
- Resident concerns over Cora Homes landscaping were NOTED and the clerk has contacted Cora.
- Residents copy of concerns with dust from the Cora Homes development NOTED.

Verbal:

- None

456/8 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 **5th July 2023** and resolve or ratify any comments thereon.

a) New applications

- 23/00694/HOU 38 Ryelands double garage and car lift.
COMMENTS: None
- 23/00682/TCA 28 Crown Hill Close fell Ash tree.
COMMENTS: None
- 23/00679/HOU 5 Whitemoors Rd , loft conversion, internal alterations, wall rendering.
COMMENTS: None

b)Amendments

- 23/00603/HOU 40 Station Rd extension amended plans 17/7/23.
COMMENTS: None

c)Permissions granted.

- 23/00523/HOU Elm House Laburnum Gdns, front extension and garage conversion
- 23/00483/FUL new 5 Bed house 36 Station Road

d)Refusals-none

e)Appeals.-none

f)Withdrawals-none

g)Meetings-none

456/9 To receive the minutes of Neighbourhood Plan Advisory Committee (NPAC) meetings and to consider any recommendations.

The following was RESOLVED:

- It was NOTED there was not a meeting in July.
- It was NOTED that responses from the Regulation 14 had been forwarded to the consultant , the comments will be considered, and a list sent to HBBC.
- It was AGREED to ACTION the clerk to apply for a grant from locality of £3000 from the original £10,000 allowance and a further £1000 from additional funding if possible, to pay for the work needed to be carried out by the consultant Planit-X.

456/10 To resolve upon the Monthly Schedule of Payments

- It was RESOLVED that payments have been checked against the invoices by Cllr McLean and Cllr Pegg and the schedule of payments was unanimously AGREED and Cllr Pegg and Cllr McLean signed the schedule. The Parish Council to proceed with payments as follows **July 2023** :clerks' salary and office expenditure £1523.49 , pavilion electricity £34.29 + £1.71 VAT, ground maintenance – contract £2276.68 additional work £0.00 playground inspections £45 phone £12.50 + £2.50 VAT, water plus £102.83 & £7.56,training LRALC £221.70& £50.00, Tap repair £290 + £58 VAT,

456/11 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 **July** was unanimously AGREED and signed by the Chair.
- Income for the month **July** was NOTED at £1758.48
- Expenditure for the month of **July 2023** was VERIFIED at £7994.79 plus £473.81 VAT to be reclaimed.
- The bank reconciliation for the month of **July** was NOTED.

b) Verify bank statements.

- The bank statements were verified by Cllr McLean £31009.56 Unity trust, £61,091.38 NS&I, £26236.21 NatWest

c) Playground inspection:

Monthly report:

The following was RESOLVED:

- It was NOTED pedal on the exercise bike needed fixing and the ground maintenance contractor was repairing.
- It was NOTED that the seesaw needed monitoring and wait to see what the ROSPA report advised in September.

d) Ground Maintenance Report:

The following was RESOLVED:

- Ground maintenance report was NOTED, and it was AGREED to proceed with the maintenance work required at Hinckley Road and ACTION the clerk to contact ground maintenance.
- It was AGREED that the gym equipment and pod swing needed cleaning and ACTION the clerk to contact ground maintenance,

e) Crime Report:

The following was RESOLVED:

- Crime figures for **May 2023** – the following figures were NOTED from the police.uk website:
- 2 x criminal damage, 2 x violence & sexual offences, 1 x burglary, 1 x other crime.

f) Report by Clerk on other matters:

- It was NOTED there was nothing to report.

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.

456/12 To consider names for the Wykin Lane development.

The following was RESOLVED:

- It was AGREED that the councillors would further consider suitable names and forward to the clerk to collate.

456/13 To consider Cora community strategy.

The following was RESOLVED:

- It was AGREED to ACTION the clerk to send the plan of works for the pavilion to Cora Homes.

456/14 To consider The White Swan and the beacon.

The following was RESOLVED:

- It was NOTED that the clerk was working on getting the beacon removed from the back of The White Swan.

456/15 To re-appoint one trustee of the Mister Hester Hodges Exhibition Foundation.

The following was RESOLVED:

- It was AGREED to reappoint Mark Ashworth as a trustee for another four years.

456/16 To consider parking issues Main Street/Station Road junction.

The following was RESOLVED:

- It was NOTED that the clerk has contacted LCC Highways.

456/17 To consider traffic calming around the village.

The following was RESOLVED:

- It was AGREED to ACTION the clerk to work with Cllr Bertie Harrison-Rushton on information required needed by LCC and the councillors to consider what they would like to try and implement.

456/18 To consider training.

The following was RESOLVED:

- It was NOTED that councillor training had taken place on the 12th July at an AGREED cost of £221.70 and the clerk had completed charitable trust training at an AGREED cost of £50.

456/19 To consider, next year's APM.

The following was RESOLVED:

- It was AGREED to setup a working party and to ACTION Cllr V Palmer to lead and organise a group. ACTION the clerk to setup terms of reference.

456/20 To receive the minutes of Convent Open Space Committee (Convent Meadow) and update.

The following was RESOLVED:

- The minutes from the July meeting were NOTED.
- It was AGREED to pay Severn Trent solicitor fees which will be a maximum of £1250 +VAT and £50 for disbursements.

- It was NOTED that a solicitor has been instructed to work on our behalf.
- It was NOTED that Cllr C Pegg is trying to obtain scheme drawings for the pump station to give to the solicitor.
- It was NOTED that Cllr C Pegg was trying to find someone who could look at the drainage problems with the balancing pond and it was NOTED that Cllr B Harrison-Rushton was also going to look into it.

456/21 To consider the pavilion and new pavilion and pitches .

The following was RESOLVED:

- It was NOTED that Cllr C Pegg has completed the paperwork for the grass pitch maintenance fund. It was NOTED that they have agreed to award a six-year revenue grant of 66.67% of the total project cost of £53,760 subject to a maximum payment of £35,840 to the council. The remainder of the monies will come from the normal ground maintenance budget and the work can be terminated at any time. The work will start in about a months' time.
- It was AGREED that three quotes for the work would not be required as it is specialist work and was to be undertaken by the recommendation from Leicester FA which is Turf Academy.
- It was NOTED that two people needed to attend an online FA maintenance course, Cllr C Pegg will attend and check if the ground maintenance contractor can do it too at an AGREED cost of £46pp.
- It was AGREED to ACTION the clerk to contact the football club and the old cricket club about concerns over children climbing onto their containers.

456/22 To consider Bosworth Manor Open Space.

The following was RESOLVED:

- It was NOTED there was nothing to report and ACTION the clerk to chase the solicitors again.

456/23 To consider Hinckley Road and Wykin Lane cemetery matters to include cemetery report (Open spaces Act 1906 S 9,10, LGA 1972 s214 and burial authorities(misc provision act 1970 s 1)LGA 1972 s214(6)

The following was RESOLVED:

- Cemetery report was NOTED.
- It was NOTED that the tap in Hinckley Road cemetery had been replaced at an AGREED cost of £290+£58 VAT.
- It was AGREED to ACTION the clerk to look into bins for general waste at both cemeteries.

456/24 To consider works to the recreational ground(LGA 1972 sch 14 para 27.public health act 1875, 1961 open space act 1906)

The following was RESOLVED:

- It was NOTED there was nothing to report.

456/25 To consider recreational ground car park extension.(Highways Act 1980)

The following was RESOLVED:

- It was NOTED the Cllr M Styles was still obtaining quotes for the levelling work.

456/26 To consider works to trees and annual tree inspection.

The following was RESOLVED:

- It was AGREED to ACTION the tree maintenance contractor to undertake all the medium risk work highlighted in the inspection report and ACTION the clerk to look into faculty requirements for the churchyard and Hinckley Road cemetery.

456/27 To consider Members Highway Fund

The following was RESOLVED:

- It was NOTED that the clerk had signed the agreement for £5000 from the fund and sent it back to LCC.

456/28 To consider issues with lamp posts at the recreational ground.

The following was RESOLVED:

- It was NOTED that new lights were to be fitted on Friday 18th August and ACTION the clerk and Cllr R Fisher to post on Facebook.

456/29 To consider items needed to be brought to public's attention.

The following was RESOLVED:

- It was NOTED there was nothing to report.

456/30 To consider future agenda items.

The following was RESOLVED:

- It was NOTED there was nothing to report.

456/31 To consider entering a confidential session to discuss a legal matter (Public bodies Act 1960)
The following was RESOLVED:

- It was AGREED to go into a confidential session.
- It was NOTED that Cllr A McLean left the meeting.

456/32 To consider the boundary.
The following was RESOLVED:

- It was AGREED to share the valuation information with the resident and ACTION the clerk to contact the solicitor or the resident.

The meeting closed 9 pm.

Next meeting:- Stoke Golding Methodist Church Hall, Wednesday 6th September at 7pm.