

Minutes of Stoke Golding Parish Council

Minutes of the 418th meeting of Stoke Golding Parish Council held virtually on Wednesday 2nd September 2020

Attendance: Cllr R Terheege (in the chair), S Beale, C Pegg, A Clover, R Fisher, A McLean, N Smith, Parish Clerk Theresa Case, County Cllr Ivan Ould, Borough Cllr Jonathan Collett and two members of the public.

418/1 To receive apologies for absence: None .

418/2 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 418/9.
- 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.

418/3 To receive reports by County and Borough Councillors

A report by County Cllr Ivan Ould was circulated to all councillors prior to the meeting and the following was discussed:

1. Planning White Paper
2. Planning application for Roseway
3. Canal bridge signs

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

1. Planning matters – White Paper, Roseway and agricultural building application
2. Full Council meeting to be held this month
3. St Margaret's Church – extension of funding for renovation
4. Baxter Hall

418/4 Public participation – to consider any comments by the public on items on the agenda:

The following was **RESOLVED:**

- It was **NOTED** that the Cricket Club would like to meet with the Parish Council.

418/5 To confirm the minutes of the 417th meeting of the Parish Council:

It was **RESOLVED** that the minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on 5th August 2020 were unanimously **AGREED** and the Chairman signed the minutes of the 417th meeting as a correct record of the meeting.

418/6 To consider any matters arising from previous decisions of the Parish Council not covered by the agenda:

Updates:

Tree Work – scheduled work has been completed and some additional work identified at Hinckley Road Cemetery.

418/7 Reports of elected officers of the council and the clerk:

a) Financial Progress Report

The following was **RESOLVED:**

- The Financial Reports for August was unanimously **AGREED** and signed by the Chairman.
- Income for the month of August 2020 was **NOTED** at £5,645.00.
- Expenditure for the month of August 2020 was **VERIFIED** at £8,463.08.
- The bank reconciliation for the month of August was **NOTED**.
- The actual bank statements were verified by Cllr Beale on the 6th August 2020.

b) Playground inspection:

Monthly report:

The following was **RESOLVED:**

- A full safety inspection report was **NOTED**.

c) Ground Maintenance Report:

The following was **RESOLVED:**

- Additional work to play equipment/gate at the recreation field and to the drain/gate at Wykin Lane Cemetery were **AGREED**, at a cost of £40.00.

d) Crime Report:

The following was **RESOLVED:**

- Crime figures for June 2020 – the following figures were **NOTED** from the police.uk website:

- 5 violence/sexual offence, 2 anti-social behaviour, 1 burglary, 1 vehicle crime,
- 1 bicycle theft.

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** that there was nothing to report.

418/8 Planning Application Matters:

Planning applications were considered and any comments resolved as follows:

a) New Applications:

- 26 Pine Close, SG – single storey rear extension.

RESOLVED COMMENT: No concerns.

- 15 Whitemoors Road, SG – single storey extension to side/rear.

RESOLVED COMMENT: No concerns.

- Land east of Roseway, SG – residential development of up to 65 dwellings including public open space, landscaping and associated infrastructure (outline -access only).

RESOLVED COMMENT: Objection: The Parish Council consider this application to be over development on an appropriate green field site. Concerns were raised regarding increased pressure on village infrastructure such as roads, schools and doctor's surgery. The Parish Council challenges the sustainable status of this application which it believes is based on outdated data. The history of flooding in this area of the village is also a concern. The distance for potential residents to access public services such as buses is questioned. If this application were to proceed the village would continue to far exceed the original housing allocation in the Local Development Plan (LDP).

b) Amended:

None.

e) Appeals:

None.

f) Withdrawn:

None.

g) Refused:

- Land east of Higham Lane, SG – erection of building and change of use of land to form a dog care facility.

h) Approved:

- Stoke Lodge, Hinckley Road, SG – one and a half storey garage extension at side of house.

i) Declined to Make (the application has not met the criteria for the TPO status therefore permission is no longer required):

None.

418/9 To receive the minutes of Neighbourhood Plan Advisory Committee (NPAC) meetings and consider any recommendations

The following was **RESOLVED**:

- Minutes of the NPAC meetings held on the 18th August were **NOTED**.
- An update on progress was **NOTED**.
- It was **AGREED** to proceed with printing, at a cost £307.00.

418/10 To update on maintenance of the pavilion

The following was **RESOLVED**:

- To **ACTION** the Clerk to request quotes based on the specification by Cllr Clover.
- To **ACTION** Cllr Clover to liaise with contractors as necessary and carry out any initial investigation requested by contractors.

418/11 To update on memorial safety – gravestone repairs

The following was **RESOLVED**:

- It was **NOTED** that the repairs at Hinckley Road Cemetery were in progress.
- It was **NOTED** that photos had been agreed with the Diocese and contractor will commence work shortly.

418/12 To update on proposals for play equipment for 12-18 year olds

The following was **RESOLVED**:

- A report on a wooden shelter was **NOTED**.

- To **ACTION** Cllr McLean to continue to investigate options.

418/13 To update on work to the recreation field pathway

The following was **RESOLVED**:

- It was **AGREED** that MW should cut boards at ground level.

418/14 To update on Vehicle Activated Signs (VAS)

The following was **RESOLVED**:

- To **ACTION** the Clerk to issue a request for volunteers via the Facebook Page.

418/15 To update on application for Asset of Community Value status for Baxter Hall

The following was **RESOLVED**:

- Cllrs Fisher and Clover reported on progress.

418/16 To consider the Rural Community Council annual renewal

The following was **RESOLVED**:

- It was **AGREED** to proceed with the annual renewal of membership, at a cost of £60.00.

418/17 To consider the conclusion of AGAR audit

The following was **RESOLVED**:

- The conclusion of audit was **NOTED** and the notice will be put on the website.

418/18 To consider Planning for the Future White Paper Consultation

The following was **RESOLVED**:

- Information regarding the white paper consultation was **NOTED**.
- To **ACTION** Cllr Clover to consider the consultation questions on behalf of the Parish Council.
- To **ACTION** Cllrs to forward any comments to the Clerk.
- To **ACTION** Cllrs Terheege and Beale to consider a letter to the MP, County Councillor and Borough Councillor.

418/19 To consider replanting of Hinckley Road Cemetery rose bed

The following was **RESOLVED**:

- It was **NOTED** that the Charity of Thomas Barton would consider funding Thomas Barton roses.
- It was **AGREED** to proceed with a quote for the necessary work, at a cost of £332.
- To **ACTION** the Clerk to reply to the Charity of Thomas Barton.

418/20 To consider cricket and football pitch matters

The following was **RESOLVED**:

- It was **AGREED** that the Football Club could play one additional team this season, at no extra cost.
- Watering of cricket pitch was discussed and to **ACTION** the Clerk obtain a quote for a water meter.

418/21 To review land registry for Parish Council land

The following was **RESOLVED**:

- The cost of registering the recreation field and Hinckley Road Cemetery was **NOTED**.
- Information from Hinckley and Bosworth Council that community land is not always registered was **NOTED**.
- It was **AGREED** not to proceed to register at this time.

418/22 To consider additional insurance cover

The following was **RESOLVED**:

- It was **AGREED** to proceed with additional cover, at a cost of £53.45.

418/23 To consider small business grant

The following was **RESOLVED**:

- It was **AGREED** to proceed with an application for a small business grant, as advised by Hinckley and Bosworth Council.

418/24 To consider work to gates and fence at Wykin Lane Cemetery

The following was **RESOLVED**:

- It was **AGREED** to proceed with work to the fence and gates at Wykin Lane Cemetery, at a cost of £1,593.00.

418/25 To consider works to recreational field copse

The following was **RESOLVED**:

- To **ACTION** MW to clear wire at the recreation field copse.

418/26 To consider play equipment removal and repair

The following was **RESOLVED**:

- It was **NOTED** that a damaged piece of play equipment was removed from the play area.
- It was **AGREED** to proceed with repair, at a cost of £274.51 for parts and £50.00 for refitting.
- To **ACTION** the Clerk to make arrangements.

418/27 To adopt revised Accessibility Statement

The following was **RESOLVED**:

- The revised Accessibility Statement was **AGREED** and **ADOPTED** and will be updated on the website.

418/28 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 2020: Rural Community Council annual membership £60.00, HBBC trade waste collection – village hall/pavilion £64.14 and September 2020: pavilion electricity £32.00, admin – clerk's salary and office expenditure £742.11, ground maintenance – contract £1,639.23, Chalkley Rees Services £1,608.00, play inspection and additional ground maintenance £60.00, gravedigger £420.00.

418/29 To receive and consider such communications as received by the Clerk

The following was **RESOLVED**:

Written

- LRALC AGM was **NOTED** and no delegate was to be registered.
- Resident's concern regarding oak tree was **NOTED**.
- HBBC correspondence regarding Bosworth Manor Open Space was **NOTED** and **ACTION** the Clerk to liaise with HBBC.
- Two events at the churchyard were **NOTED** and Cllr Beale has carried out risk assessments.

Verbal

None

418/30 To consider items needed to be brought to public's attention

None

418/31 To consider future agenda items

The following was **RESOLVED** for the October agenda:

- To consider works to the recreation field copse.
- To consider a wild area at the recreation field.
- To review the Parish Council Facebook page.
- To consider arrangements for the Remembrance Day service.

418/32 To consider entering a confidential session to discuss commercially sensitive matters

The following was **RESOLVED**:

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

418/33 To consider village open space matters

The following was **RESOLVED**:

- Cllr Pegg reported on progress.

The meeting closed at 9.15 pm

Next meeting:- Virtually on Zoom, Wednesday 7th October 2020 at 7.00pm