

Draft Minutes of Stoke Golding Parish Council

Minutes of the 382nd meeting of Stoke Golding Parish Council held in the Methodist Church Hall on Wednesday 6th September 2017

Attendance: Cllr R Terheege (in the chair), S Beale, C Pegg, P Goodsell, R Mitchell and N Smith, Parish Clerk Theresa Case, County Councillor Ivan Ould.

382/1 Apologies for Absence Cllr Fisher and Jim Hope.

382/2 Declarations of interest on items on the agenda and dispensations: None.

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

1. Victim First Service
2. Ambulance delays

The following was **RESOLVED**:

- To **ACTION** the clerk to publicise information on these two issues in the Stoker and on the Co-operative website.

382/3 Confirmation of 381st meeting minutes:

It was **RESOLVED** that the minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on 2nd August 2017 were unanimously **AGREED** and the Chairman signed the minutes of the 381st meeting as a correct record of the meeting.

382/4 Matters arising:

Crime Report for May/June 2017– data available from the poilice.uk website was considered by the Parish Council. The following was **RESOLVED**:

- It was **AGREED** that as this repeated information already made public it was unnecessary to restate and cause confusion.

Laburnum Cottage Community Orchard – representatives of the developer will attend the next Parish Council meeting to discuss whether the Parish Council would consider taking responsibility for the proposed community orchard. **RESOLVED ACTION:** Clerk to seek more information on proposals prior to the meeting. Parish Council Training – It was **RESOLVED** and unanimously **AGREED** to proceed with courses for the chair and data protection training, at a cost of £70.

382/5 Reports of elected officers of the council and the clerk:

a) Financial Progress Report

The following was **RESOLVED**:

- The Financial Report was unanimously **AGREED** and it was signed by the Chairman.
- Income for the month of August 2017 was **NOTED** at £1,816.00.
- Expenditure for the month of August 2017 was **VERIFIED** at £3,536.39.
- The bank reconciliation for the month of August 2017 was **NOTED**.
- The actual bank statements were **VERIFIED** by Cllr Beale on 10th August 2017.

b) Reports of Council representatives and Clerk:

The Clerk reported on ground maintenance and emergency repairs and the following was **RESOLVED**:

- It was **AGREED** to proceed with hedge flailing at the recreation field, at a cost of £40
- It was **AGREED** to proceed with two extra cuts to Bennett Close, at a cost of £60.
- Resident's concerns regarding badgers near Wykin Lane Cemetery were **NOTED** and JG will monitor.
- It was **AGREED** to proceed with a replacement cover for a litter bin at the recreation field, at a cost of £110.81.
- To **ACTION** the clerk to write to Stokefest to thank for the event and inform them of the damage.
- To **ACTION** the clerk to contact a plumber to repair a shower in the pavilion.
- To **ACTION** the clerk to seek quotes for repair of Hinckley Road Cemetery wall/gate, to forward to Harbours and to arrange work.

c) Playground inspection:

Monthly report: **NOTED**.

RESOLVED ACTION: Clerk to order replacement bin cover, necessary spare parts for the gym equipment and instruct MS to tighten climbing wall posts.

382/6 Planning Application Matters:

Planning application procedures were discussed and reviewed as follows:

a) New Applications:

7 Andrew Close , SG – removal of ash tree.

St Martins Catholic Voluntary Academy, SG – erection of single storey building

RESOLVED COMMENT: concerns were raised regarding the increased pressure on roads and traffic congestion at school times.

RESOLVED ACTION: Clerk to write to the school to ask if car park improvements can be prioritised.

17 Wykin Lane, SG – two storey rear extension and raising of roof above garage

to side of property

b) **Amended:** None

c) **Permissions approved:**

d) **Refusals:** None

e) **Appeals:** None

f) **Withdrawn:** None.

Cllr Goodsell stated that she was disappointed with the approach taken by HBBC with regard to the Laburnum Cottage application and the lack of consideration given to residents' views. She requested that the Parish Council forward these concerns to HBBC. Councillors requested further time to consider this matter and no action was resolved.

382/7 Neighbourhood Plan

The following was **RESOLVED:**

- The minutes of the NPAC meeting on 16th August were **NOTED**.
- Answers to the questions posed to the RCC regarding the validity of data were **NOTED**.
- It was **AGREED** that the validity of the data was satisfactory.
- It was **AGREED** that the public should now be excluded from NPAC meetings to allow the committee to proceed with close scrutiny of the data to determine the content of the draft neighbourhood plan document.
- To **ACTION** the clerk to advertise for further members for the NPAC in the Stoker and on the Co-operative website.

382/8 Sport in Stoke Golding (SISG)

Pro-help should match SISG with a professional shortly and GC is preparing draft additions to developments plans for sports clubs to consider.

382/9 Trees

The following tree issues were discussed:

- Harbours are in the process of carrying out agreed works to trees.
- The oak tree at the recreation field was discussed. **RESOLVED ACTION:** Cllr Pegg to chase a written report from Harbours, Clerk to reply to resident and contact the HBBC Tree Officer for an assessment of the trees at the recreation field.
- Boundary issue at Hinckley Road Cemetery was discussed. **RESOLVED ACTION:** Cllr Pegg to arrange a site meeting to discuss.

382/10 Play equipment

Cllr Smith reported that the funding from Tesco and the Co-op should be confirmed by December, allowing for works to take place in January prior to funding deadline.

382/11 St Margaret's Churchyard

The following was **RESOLVED:**

- It was **NOTED** that risk assessment work for the Teddy Bear Jump Event was now complete.
- Quotes for the pathway were **NOTED**.
- To **ACTION** the clerk to forward specifications and prices to HBBC to seek an Environmental Improvement Grant and approval by the Conservation Officer.
- To **ACTION** the clerk to update the PCC.

382/12 Village centre and post office area

This matter was deferred to the next meeting.

382/13 Pitch hire

Correspondence from the Youth FB Club regarding pitch fees was discussed and also the marking of pitches.

The following was **RESOLVED:**

- To **ACTION** the clerk to reply to the Youth FB Club.
- It was **AGREED** that in-line with the pitch hire agreement marking of pitches should not commence until all fees have been paid in full.
- To **ACTION** the clerk to notify both FB clubs.

382/14 To resolve upon the monthly schedule of payments

It was **RESOLVED** that the schedule of payments was unanimously **AGREED** and the Chairman signed the schedule. The Parish Council to proceed with payments as follows: August 2017 – gravedigger – interment £200.00. September 2017 - electricity to pavilion £38.00, admin – clerk's salary and office expenditure £515.94, SG Methodist Hall – hall hire £107.50, RBL Poppy Appeal £20.00, G Seller – 2 x memorial repairs £720.00 and £1,065.00, Elite Printing – NB £80.00 and ground maintenance – contract £4,252.67, additional work – Bennett Glass cuts, flooring

382/15 To receive and consider such communications as received by the Chairman of the council
Written

- Countryside Voice Magazine – info only.
- Clerks and Councils Direct Magazine – info only.
- LRALC Internal Audit Service – expression of interest. It was **RESOLVED** and unanimously **AGREED** not to proceed with the service.
- Convent Site open space/play area – information form HBBC. **RESOLVED ACTION:** Clerk to request a site meeting with HBBC to discuss further.
- The Charity of Thomas Barton – WW1 and WW2 benches. It was **RESOLVED** and unanimously **AGREED** to proceed with the purchase of benches to be funded by the Charity of Thomas Barton.
- Future resident's query – **RESOLVED ACTION:** Clerk to reply.

382/16 To consider items needed to be brought to public's attention

None

382/17 Any Other Business

Cllr Goodsell reported on the progress of the 1485 Legacy project and the wildflower patch at Bennett Close.

RESOLVED ACTION: Clerk to ask DG to cut back wildflower patch.

Cllr Beale reported that there had been another break in at the village hall.

MATTERS FROM WHICH THE PUBLIC MAY BE EXCLUDED - There were none.

The meeting closed at 9.15pm

Next meeting:- Methodist Hall, Wednesday 4th October 2017 at 7pm

