

Stoke upon Tern Parish Council

Chairman: Cllr S P Waters

Clerk: Mr G Boulton

Minutes of the Parish Council Meetings held on Wednesday 21st September 2022 at 7.30 pm

Present: Cllr P Waters, Cllr K Newby, Cllr D Cintas, Cllr D Moore, and Cllr Mrs S Bartram

Clerk: Mr G Boulton.

In Attendance: RAF Shawbury - Flight Sergeant Matthew Fearon and Flying Officer Joshua Chrich

21 Parishioners

Those present stood for a two minutes silence in remembrance of the life and times of the late Monarch Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II, 1926 – 2022.

69.22. Welcome, Public Session and Partner updates.

The Chairman welcomed everyone to the Parish Council meeting and agreed that under standing orders to bring forward the agenda item on Community Speed Watch due to the public interest shown, extending the public session.

Community Speed Watch.

A paper had been circulated again highlighting the circumstances surrounding 'Auto Speed Watch' from the Community Speed Check Group. Also attached was confirmation that any project would require the West Mercia Police Road Safety teams support and approval. A trial is being piloted on the A488 in Shropshire using an automated camera system but the technology is not in place yet. Whatever data is detected has to be processed currently by the Police and they do not endorse any specific camera types. Several questions were raised from the public gallery and from members in relation to the lack of progress on dealing with this issue. Reassurance was given that both the present Place Plan has reference to the speeding problems in Rosehill Road and the amended budget for 22/23 has 7k budgeted for highway projects. The Parish Council then agreed to help facilitate a three way meeting between two resident reps, Shropshire Council and reps from the Parish Council to try to find a resolution to the problem that was acceptable to those in authority.

Flight Sergeant Matthew Fearon introduced his replacement liaison officer from RAF Shawbury Flying Officer Joshua Chrich. Agreement was then reached that Flight Sergeant Matthew Fearon would contact Cllr K Newby directly for a site visit to the Millennium Green to undertake a scheme of works for the site to be carried out by trainees from the Station. Details of the Stations activities would be circulated to members via email.

There being no further items the Chairman thanked Flight Sergeant Matthew Fearon for his attendance at the meeting and hoped that all would go well with his daughters footballing on Wednesday nights. The Chairman also thanked Flying Officer Joshua Chrich for attending his first meeting and looked forward to working with him in the future. The Chairman then moved onto the next item of business

70.22. Apologies for absence.

Members agreed the following apologies for Cllr. R. Wright, Cllr Mrs L Bearman, Cllr K Beardmore and Cllr Mrs S Planton, (holidays), Cllr.P.Butters (illness) and Shropshire Councillor Paul Gill (family bereavement)

71.22. Disclosures of Personal and Prejudicial Interest.

None.

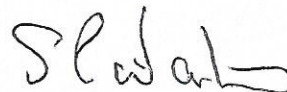
72.22. To approve the minutes of the meetings of the 20th July 2022.

Cllr K Newby moved and Cllr D Cintas seconded the minutes of the meetings held on the 20th July 2022 and these were unanimously agreed and signed by the Chairman in the presence of members.

73.22. Clerk's Report.

The Clerk highlighted several items for noting with some actions from their report.

Red Lion at Wistanswick: Cllr R Wright has suggested a consultation exercise on the subject. Members indicated that it could best be conducted through the newsletter.



Verge Project: raise through the dialogue with the Community Champions groups and on areas like the Millennium Green and Cemetery areas with set a side areas. Cllr K Newby to visit both sites with Janet Cobb and report back on their discussions.

Ollerton to Peplow claimed route: The following resolution was unanimously agreed.

1. To confirm the budget strategy amount at 8k with an option to raise to 10k if required. Once this is agreed to approach Hodnet PC to match the Parish Council's 4k contribution (already budgeted for) and that the process continues to be managed by the Parish Council.
2. To support the Stoke on Tern and Hodnet footpath groups in a community/user fund raising campaign that allows local people to contribute.
3. To formally suspend standing orders and engage Robin Carr Associates as a top specialist in this field to prepare (if required) for a Public Inquiry. That the working group continue to build on other specialist/partner support from the British Horse Society, the Ramblers and other key supporters to recruit individuals willing to act as expert witnesses for example.
4. That the Clerk keeps the Chairman and Vice Chairman briefed on progress.

74.22. Bus Survey – resolution Cllr D Cintas.

Cllr D Cintas indicated that he'd been in contact with Cheswardine and Hinstock about the potential of bus users and a local meeting has been organised about a local route. Any grant contribution from the Parish Council would need to factored into the budget -making process at the next meeting.

75.22. Verges – grass cutting Cllr D Moore.

This item has been resolved.

76.22. Parish Hall Cllr D Moore.

Cllr D Moore and Cllr D Cintas who are both members of the Parish Hall management committee raised concerns from their last meeting about the split of responsibility. An in-depth discussion then ensued with its main focus around the Land Registry documents from 2013 and the conveyance document of 1964. The conclusion reached after the debate are that the documents are in order in terms of ownership and responsibilities, any challenge would need to be referred for a legal opinion by an aggrieved party. This resolution was moved by Cllr K Newby and seconded by Cllr Mrs S Bartram, on being put to the vote there was a tie with two members voting against. The Chairman then exercised his casting vote in favour of the resolution which was then carried.

77.22. Dutton Close Street Lighting project update.

The project had reached an impasse due to the Prison Services intervention with the refusal to use their MPAN number to connect any new street lighting to the mains required by Western Power. Members agreed that the Chairman, Vice Chairman and the Clerk arrange a face to face meeting with the Governor to see if the impasse can be resolved. Members further agreed that an apology be issued through the next newsletter about the delays being experienced with the project.

Prior to the amended scheme of ten new lights around the internal road on Dutton Close some pensioners within the top cu-de-sac have complained that the new light proposed for this location had been deleted from the programme. Members agreed to include this additional light back into the programme funded through the Neighbourhood Fund of CIL held within the reserves.

78.22. Task Force update Clive Barracks, Tern Hill.

No further meetings have been held with reference to the Task Force. Members agreed as part of a presentation at the next meeting on 'green burials' to consider the outcome of that presentation and the potential to lobby as part of the land allocation for such a scheme within this Strategic Site.

79.22. A41 Campaign Group update.

The last meeting of the group had been cancelled because it fell within the period of National Mourning for the late Monarch.

80.22. Cemetery Developments.

The site remained tidy and members would receive a presentation at the next meeting on 'green burials' for this site.

81.22. Ollerton Pound.

Cllr K Newby highlighted the difficulty in arranging a joint site meeting with the owner and Dr Andy Wigley at Shropshire Council. These concerns had been raised with the Chief Executive of Shropshire Council to try and resolve the matter.

82.22. Newsletter.

Cllr Mrs S Bartram thanked members for the delivery of the newsletter and would be raising with the printer the amount of copies provided. Any articles to be forwarded for the next edition.

83.22. Planning Committee reports.

Some outstanding planning applications are still to be resolved and the August 2022 minutes were received and will be on PDF along with the signed set of Parish Council minutes for the web site.

84.22. Highway matters.

☐ 'Poo' Bins Eaton upon Tern – Members agreed, subject to an agreed location to a request for a bin to be located within Eaton upon Tern and that Shropshire Council be approached to provide a contract for the Parish Council to both install and to empty the bin.

☐ Grange Lane – weight restrictions: Members agreed that the request for a 26 ton weight restriction raised by Parishioners at Eaton upon Tern be forwarded to Shropshire Council.

85.22. Financial matters .

1. Members approved and the Chairman and Vice Chairman signed the bank reconciliation report and attached bank statement for audit purposes.

2. The payments for approval were tabled, members agreed the amounts set out below.

Cheque no.	Item and payment	Amount.
100789	DM Payroll Services Ltd (payroll)	£40.00
100790	Glebe (rental)	£67.50
100791	SALC (training)	£95.00
100792	HMRC (PAYE)	£6.60
100793	Clerks Q2 salary (salary)	£1,811.40
100794	Clerks expenses (expenses)	£36.59
100795	PKF Littlejohn LLP (external audit)	£240.00
100796	Allsorts Design &Print Ltd (newsletter) - reimbursement	£223.66
100797	123 domain Renewal (web site) - reimbursement	£26.78
SWALEC	July (2022)	£151.40
SWALEC	August (2022)	£151.40

Items for future meetings: footpath Rosehill Road

86.22. Annual Review.

Part one: The Asset Register and Risk Assessment were unanimously agreed and relevant parts signed by the Chairman and Clerk

Part two: The following resolution was moved by Cllr K Newby and seconded by Cllr Mrs S Bartram and unanimously agreed

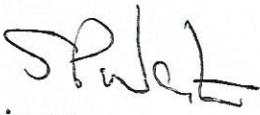
Resolved that in pursuant to the Public Bodies (Admission to meetings Act 1960, as amended by S.100 LGA 1972) that the press and public are asked to leave the meeting in view of the confidential nature of the remaining items of business to be transacted, which include discussion on employment matters.

Members agreed that as part of the budget preparations that a two percent increase be used for the Clerks salary and this to be reviewed by the Audit working group in light of the national pay negotiations with reference to a five percent employee increase that is still unsettled.

The Chairman then closed the meeting at 10.10pm and thanked everyone for their contributions.

Date of next meeting: **Wednesday 23rd November 2022 at 7.30pm**

Signed:

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Chairman

23rd November 2022

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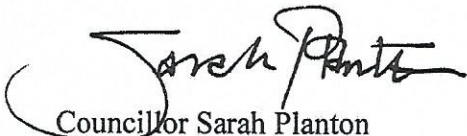
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Minutes of Meeting held online to Consider Planning Applications in the Parish

On 3rd October 2022

1. Attendance on site
Councillors P Waters, K Newby, S Planton, S Bartram and K Beardmore were in attendance
2. Apologies
None were received
3. Declaration of Interest
None were received
4. Matters Considered
 1. 22/04058/FUL – Land East of Warrant Road – Object. Whilst the Parish Council recognises that development on this site is in principle acceptable, the Council wish to maintain their objection to the proposed development which adds too many dwellings to the site and the flats are completely unsuitable for this location. The council is also disappointed that the proposals have not included any traffic calming or mitigation for the additional traffic proposed to enter Warrant Road immediately opposite an already well used access.
 2. 22/04132/FUL –Biomass Boiler at Chicken Farm, Eaton upon Tern – No Objection
 3. SALC AGM – Motion for Debate – Childs Ercall Parish Council are proposing a motion the Shropshire Council should adopt a policy requiring some form of gain to local communities affected by Solar Farm Developments, and requested that Stoke upon Tern Parish Council should consider seconding the motion. Following a discussion at the Planning Meeting it was agreed that the Parish would **SUPPORT** and second the motion at the SALC meeting.



Councillor Sarah Planton

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Minutes of Meeting held online to Consider Additional Comments in Connection with Planning Application 22/04058/FUL

On 10th of October 2022

1. Attendance on site
Councillors P Waters, K Newby, S Planton, S Bartram and K Beardmore were in attendance
2. Apologies
None were received
3. Declaration of Interest
None were received
4. Matters Considered
 1. 22/04058/FUL – Land East of Warrant Road – Object. Further to the meeting held last week, the comments submitted for the previous Application on this site have been located and it is felt that additional comments should be submitted to Shropshire Council to reinforce the Parish Council's Objection to this proposal, so that should the Council be minded to grant permission for this development, the following is taken into account, ie:
 - a) The Parish Council is disappointed that the Applicant has not taken on board the comments previously submitted, and in particular urges Shropshire Council to satisfy itself that there is sufficient sewage capacity for this size of development.
 - b) The Parish Council is pleased to see that the location of the play area has been relocated away from the woodland, but continues to urge Shropshire Council to place a blanket Tree Preservation Order on the woodland area to protect and enhance the site, and assist in mitigation actions in terms of Climate change.
 - c) The Parish Council urge Shropshire Council to ensure open access to the play areas and open space within the site for all the local residents, not just those living in the development.
 - d) The Parish Council urge Shropshire Council to reject the imposition of flats on the proposed site as they are entirely out of keeping with the character of the area. The construction of bungalows would be preferable and supported by the Neighbourhood Plan for Stoke upon Tern.
 - e) Given the nature and strength of concerns that have been raised over development of this site, both in the past and with the present Application, the Parish Council request

that the Application be called in for consideration by the full Planning Committee supported by Shropshire Councillor Paul Gill.

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