

Stoke upon Tern Parish Council

Chairman: Cllr S P Waters

Clerk: Mr G Bould

Minutes of the Parish Council Meetings held on Wednesday 15th March 2023 at 7.30 pm

Present: Cllr P Waters, Cllr K Newby, Cllr D Moore, Cllr Mrs S Bartram, Cllr. R. Wright, Cllr Mrs S Planton, Cllr D Cintas, Cllr K Beardmore, Cllr.P. Butters and Cllr Mrs L Bearman.

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14 Parishioners

In Attendance: Shropshire Council - Shropshire Councillor Paul Gill & RAF Shawbury - Flying Officer Joshua Chrich

19.23. Welcome, Public Session and Partner updates.

The Chairman welcomed everyone to the Parish Council meeting and inquired if Parishioners had any items they would like to raise with the Parish Council. A spokesman from the Parishioners attending from Rosehill Road and Wistanswick presented a request for a Parish Meeting as defined by the Local Government Act 1972. Upon receipt of the notice correctly completed the Chairman agreed to the additional meeting to be held within the next 8 weeks. The agreed date set is the 10th May 2023 at 7.30pm, Stoke on Tern Parish Hall. A calling notice will be displayed 7 days before the meeting. Areas for discussion with Parishioners will include the control of speeding vehicles, suitable equipment, equipment installation and maintenance. The feedback from the workshops on the VAS signs would also be carried over to after this meeting for additional discussions.

Flying Officer Joshua Chrich then updated the Parish Council on events and activities from RAF Shawbury. The presentation focused on night flying, complaints, the Aries magazine which has now online, community events and projects. Some members indicated an interest in help with community events particularly the Village Show, contact details would be circulated to those who have shown an interest. The Parish Councils community project at the Glebe Field would be moving along later in the year.

Shropshire Councillor Paul Gill apologised for his lack of unavoidable attendance at meetings recently. The area the Councillor concentrated upon revolved around the pilot Parish Lengthman scheme at Stanton upon Hine Heath PC and Shropshire Councils budget setting with its challenges. The process of Shropshire's local plan going into the second stage of inspection and the five year housing land supply. The Auto Speed Watch pilot was also raised, the Councillor indicating that it is a 'Police First' supported project initiative.

There being no further items the Chairman thanked Flying Officer Joshua Chrich and Shropshire Councillor Paul Gill for their updates and moved onto the next item of business.

20.23. Apologies for absence: None

21.23. Disclosures of Personal and Prejudicial Interest: None.

22.23. To approve the minutes of the meetings of the 18th January 2023.

Cllr K Newby moved and Cllr R Wright seconded the minutes of the meetings held on the 18th January 2023 and these were unanimously agreed and signed by the Chairman in the presence of members.

23.23. Clerk 's Report.

The Clerk updated members on a series of projects and initiatives underway. The following dates were agreed for meeting during 23/24 - 19/7, 20/9 & 15/11 in 2023 and the 17/1/, 20/3 & 15/5, 2024. The Clerk is leading on a recent formal complaint about process with members of the Planning Committee, the outcomes of which will be reported through in due course. At this point the Chairman suspended standing orders to allow a Parishioner to put their points in terms of the complaint. The comments were duly noted and standing orders resumed.

24.23. Update on potential changes to the land registry document for Stoke on Tern Parish Hall.

Members agreed to carry this item forward to the next Parish Council meeting to allow time to develop a set of agreed wording with the Parish Hall for the changes to made to the land registry document for Stoke on Tern Parish Hall.

25.23. Feed back from workshops on VAS signs.

The discussion on the workshop feedback has been carried over to after the Special Parish meeting to be held on the 10th May 2023 at 7.30pm, Stoke on Tern Parish Hall.

26.23. Solar Farm ref: 22/01866/FUL – Community Benefit document.

The request by the Parish Council to increase the community benefit payment has been rejected. Child Ercall PC are leading on some detailed amendments to the Community Benefit documents and once completed they will be circulated for members to consider. Initial thinking about how the 25k on offer might be distributed within the parish could focus on climate mitigation projects targeted at Eaton upon Tern as the area most affected for example dealing with highways, drainage problems, flooding and changes in the structure of verges to encourage pollinators.

27.23. Update Dutton Close Street Lighting project.

Some progress has been made on the lighting project with the new 90 day offer from Western Power running until the 11/4/23. The Shropshire Council CIL Liaison Officer is recommending approval of an additional 8k grant from local CIL as long as the Parish Council commits its NF CIL to the project. That decision is expected on the 27/3/23. Members agreed to commit the NF CIL and that once the decision has been made by Shropshire Council the contract for the street lighting at Dutton Close should commence within the 90 day time-frame.

28.23. Cemetery Developments.

1. Hybrid site – designated area for natural burials: Members agreed that work should progress on a design/layout location within the Cemetery site for natural burials and reported back in due course for a final decision.
2. Working party report: Work to continue during April 2023 with a focus on the hedges as the planter has been completed.

29.23. Wistanswick Old Tip: padlock on the gate: resolved

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13.23. Ollerton Pound.**

Cllr K Newby indicated that there is nothing new to report on the project at this stage as dialogue continues with Shropshire Council about how to engage with the site owner about their obligations to the Pound listed building as the vegetation is slowly returning onto the structure.

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14.23. Newsletter.**

Cllr Mrs S Bartram thanked those involved in the delivery of the newsletter. There also needs to be a timely time-frame for the delivery of the newsletter.

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15.23. Planning Committee reports.**

The February 2023 minutes of the Planning Committee had already been circulated and agreed for inclusion in the final PDF of the minutes to be placed on the web site from this meeting. There are several outstanding planning applications awaiting comment, plus a meeting to look at committee protocol with the Clerk.

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16.23. Highways.**

1. A41: The campaign group are still waiting for an update in terms of funding from the Police Crime Commissioner for a number plate identification camera on the A41.
2. There has still been no progress on the 'hot spots' highway feasibility study.

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17.23. Financial matters .**

1. Investments: details of the potential banking structures and draft policies available to manage and hold any capital/grant resources secured by the Parish Council have been circulated to members. The Parish Council agreed to keep the position under review.
2. CIL returns: The monitoring form for the Neighbourhood CIL was signed off by the Clerk, Chairman and local Shropshire Council, the whole of which is allocated to the Dutton Close Street Lighting Project (£16,759.56).

3. The payments for approval were tabled, members agreed the amounts set out below. The tabled bank reconciliation report was signed by the Chairman and Vice Chairman which corresponded with the amounts within the bank statement for the end of February 2023

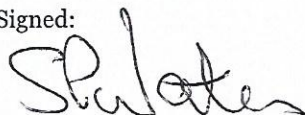
Cheque no.	Item and payment	Amount.
1007813	Highline Electrical Ltd (lighting repairs)	£434.70
1007814	HMRC (PAYE)	£435.00
100815	Clerks Salary Q4 (salary)	£1,508.50
100816	Clerks IT support (IT support)	£99.99
100817	Balfours LLP Client Glebe (rental)	£67.50
100818	Restoring Shropshire's Verges Project (grant)	£31.95
100819	Allsorts Design & Print Ltd (newsletter)	£229.40
100820	Clerks Expenses (expenses)	£94.38
100821	David Probert (footpath clearance)	£965.00
100822	Heathcote Community Champions (service level agreement)	£600.00
SWALEC	January (2023)	£142.01
SWALEC	February (2023)	£137.31
100823	Stoke on Tern Parish Hall (room hire) additional item 21/3/23	£137.50

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~~18.23~~. **Items for future meetings:** None

The meeting closed at 9.10pm

Date of next meeting: **Wednesday 10th May 2023 Special Parishioners Meeting & Wednesday 17th May 2023 at 7.00pm Annual and Ordinary Meetings**

Signed:



Chairman

17th May 2023

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Meeting held in Public to Consider Planning Applications in the Parish
on 28th of March 2023 at 2.30pm at the Parish Hall

1. Attendance

Councillors P Waters, K Newby, S Bartram and S Planton were in attendance. No members of the public attended.

2. Apologies

Councillor K Beardmore was unable to attend and sent his apologies

3. Declaration of Interest

None were received

4. Matters Considered

1. Application No 23/00318/FUL – Conversion of Outbuilding at The Chestnuts, Eaton upon Tern – following a site visit it was agreed that provided the revised plans were adopted there was **No Objection** to the Application.


2. Application No 23/00971/VAR – Variation of Condition at The Paddocks, Stoke on Tern – **No Objection**

3. Application No 23/ 00988/FUL – Erection of a Storage Building at Stoke Farm, Stoke on Tern – **No Objection**

4. Application No 23/000125/FUL – Construction of Additional Storage Building at Ollerton Business Park – Despite the lack of clarity of the submitted documents, it is considered that this application will not generate any additional traffic movements, and on that basis there is **No Objection**

5. Any Other Business

There being no further business the meeting was closed at 2.37pm



Councillor Sarah Planton

Chairman of the Planning Sub-Committee

28th March 2023

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