

## PARISH OF STOKENCHURCH

Minutes of the Meeting of the Parish Council held on Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> January 2017  
At Longburrow Hall at 7.30pm.

Attendees: Mrs Nuthall (Chairman), Mrs Shelton (Clerk), Mrs Baker, Mr Jones, Mrs Powis, Mr Penny, Mr Parkinson, Mr I Chadwick, Mr Thomas, Mr Saunders, Mr Davis, Mr Preece and 5 members of the public.

1. **Apologies.** Apologies were received from Cllr Etholen, Cllr Hayday & Cllr Adoh,
2. **Declarations of Interest.** Cllr Powis in bills payable.
3. **Minutes.** It was agreed by all those present at that meeting that the minutes of the Council meeting on 21<sup>st</sup> December 2016 be approved. Unanimously agreed. Two abstentions.
4. **Matters Arising** – None
5. **Reports and Actions** – None
6. **Notification of Parish Matters (information only) – Parish Warden – Parking Cars Behind CJ's Stores - Church Yard - Flying Drones - Fly Tipping – Mudds Bank Layby – Lower Church Street Light – 80 – LAF – Allotments**
7. **Mr Sweeney-** gave an update of the progress of the business park at mill lane. Mr Sweeney explained that he would like to remove two small hawthorn trees, these are currently growing through the fence but are on parish land. Mr Sweeney said he would like to use the access route into and out of the property which his solicitor has said he has access travel over. Mr Sweeney assured the council that he does not want to upset anyone and would just like to run his smallish car business that has nice landscaping surrounding it. Mr Preece suggested that we investigate this matter further. Mrs Baker stated that the Parish Council have an award map that states it is an occupation road. Mr Preece explained that parishioners are afraid the access will become a road. Following further discussion, Mrs Baker will look at the award map and clerk will feedback to Mr Sweeney.
8. **Planning** – Planning decisions; permissions and refusals.
  - 08329 - Erection of 2 x 3 bed, 2 x 4 bed and 1 x 5 bed dwelling houses and double garage, widening of existing two accesses and associated highways improvement works to the junction of Ibstone Road and Mill Road - Land South of The Haven Mill Road Stokenchurch Buckinghamshire (Lexham Properties) Split vote – Mr Preece suggested we neither support or oppose but to note all point for an against and submit to WDC for them to make a decision.
  - 08432 – Householder application for construction of single storey rear/side extension - 7 Stockfields Place Stokenchurch Buckinghamshire HP14 3ZD (Mr & Mrs Winterbourne) No Objection, Unanimously agreed.
  - 08433 - Prior notification application (Part 3, Class O) for change of use of existing building falling within Class B1(a) (offices) to Class C3 (dwellinghouses) to create 1 x 1 bed and 1 x 2 bed dwellings - Enterprise House Oxford Road Stokenchurch Buckinghamshire HP14 3SX (Measham Leasing Holdings Remuneration Trust) No Objection, Unanimously agreed.
9. **District and County Councillors:** Cllr Saddique informed the council that he had been chasing up when the vegetation at the Mudds Bank layby is due to be cut down and is awaiting a response. The revised planning application for the orchard at Mudds Bank is going to planning committee on the 18<sup>th</sup> January 2017 and they are minded to approve the application. Mr Preece asked why is it likely to be approved when Sarah Nicholson thinks it should be refused and Bucks Highway have said that the entrance to the track is dangerous. Cllr Saddique replied that will be writing to Sarah Nicholson. It was also noted by the Chairman that several land owners have not been notified so the application process is a farce. Mrs Baker

asked Cllr Saddique if the Park Lane development being called into committee. Cllr Saddique replied yes. Chairman asked Cllr Saddique if he could investigate why after reporting several times that the rubbish on the higher speed limit areas have still not been cleared as this had been requested some months ago. Cllr Saddique will feedback.

#### 10. Finance-

- Bills Payable to the amount of £6280.91- Unanimously agreed.
- Accounts for December - Unanimously agreed.

#### 11. Correspondence – None

#### 12. The Commons – None

13. **Other Parish Matters.** – **Parish Warden** –Mr Davis has been picking up litter in the wardens absence and stated that it's an eye opener and we should all appreciate how hard the parish warden works.
- Parking Cars Behind CJ's Stores** – Mr Davis asked if we could send another letter asking for the cars not to be parked on the access. Clerk to follow up. **Church Yard** – Whilst litter picking in the graveyard Mr Davis said there were some very strange items on a grave. The clerk informed the council that the rules are a little dated and need looking at. Mrs Baker stated that we do need to look at the rules with the church so we are singing from the same hymn sheet as it were. Mrs Baker and Mr Preece will arrange a meeting with Mr Palmer and the member of the church to discuss. **Flying Drones**- Whilst clearing a bin at Longburrow Mr Davis notice a broken drone in the bin. Mr Davis has concerns that if these are being used on Longburrow playing field it could be dangerous if one was to come down on a child in the playground for example. He asked if we could speak to our insurance company about the implications should this happen. Clerk to follow up. The Chairman Thanked Mr Davis, Mrs Powis and Mr Powis for their help and dedication during the parish wardens absence. **Fly Tipping** – Mr Jones reported some fly tipping on Bigmore Lane stating that this had been reported by himself and the clerk several times.
- Mudds Bank layby** - Mr Saunders reported that the transit van with the person living in it is still parked in the Mudds Bank layby can we please ask the police to remove the vehicle as it is untaxed. Clerk to follow up. **Lower Church Street Light** – Mr Baker reported that the walk way between Tipping and Lower Church Street is covered with greenery from the house, Mr Baker has spoken with the tenant without much response, so could we write to the landlord asking for removal of the greenery. Mr Baker will give the landlords name and address to the clerk to send a letter. **80** – Mr Saunders stated that the road leading to Prophley's has a speed limit sign painted on the floor which should say 30mph but someone has painted over it to say 80mph, could we contact highways to have it changed . Clerk to follow up. **LAF** - Mr Thomas informed the council that the next LAF meeting is on the 28<sup>th</sup> of February. **Allotments** - Mr Thomas also stated that with the council's permission he would like to attend the National Allotment Association meeting coming up.

Mr Timms reported that rats had been seen in the Marlow Road cemetery. Mr Davis explained that this had been reported to the environmental agency. Mr Timms also he had collected some cemetery rules from various places for the clerk regarding the Marlow Road cemetery. Mr Timms also report that the lawn mowers behind the playing fields are had still not been removed. Mr Preece kindly offered to remove them.

There being no further business the meeting ended at 8.26pm