

## PARISH OF STOKENCHURCH

Minutes of the Meeting of the Parish Council held on Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> February 2017  
At Longburrow Hall at 7.30pm.

Attendees: Mrs Nuthall (Chairman), Mrs Shelton (Clerk), Mrs Baker, Mr Jones, Mrs Powis, Mr Parkinson, Mr I Chadwick, Mr Thomas, Mr Davis, Mr Saunders, Mr Penny and 3 members of the public.

1. **Apologies.** Apologies were received from Cllr Hayday, Cllr Preece, Cllr Adoh & Cllr Saddique
2. **Declarations of Interest.** None
3. **Minutes.** It was agreed by all those present at that meeting that the minutes of the Council meeting on 1<sup>st</sup> February 2017 be approved. Unanimously agreed with one abstention.
4. **Matters Arising** – None
5. **Reports and Actions** – Mr Thomas reported that he attended the allotment association meeting. Mr Jones reported that he attended the PPG meeting at the surgery and the Community Centre at Beacons Bottom committee meeting. **Bowling Green Lane** – Mr Davis reported that Mrs Freda Hunt sadly passed away, the Parish Council sends their condolences to her family.
6. **Notification of Parish Matters (information only)** – *Caravan - Community Bus – Park Lane- Studley Green – George Road – Marlow Rd Cemetery – Pedestrian Crossing In Marlow Rd – Lamp Post – Allotments – Mudds Bank – Bollards Tescos - Jubilee Road Litter Bin – DS Autos*
7. **Development of Studdridge Farm** – Ashley Maltman came to speak with the council on behalf of his client RJ & S Styles in relation to a proposed residential development within Stokenchurch. Mr Maltman showed a map of the proposed area (this will be displayed in the notice boards shortly) points made were; there were planning around 140 dwellings, elderly accommodation, a local convenience store and landscaping. There will be a consultation leaflet posted to parishioners in the next few days in the village in the next few days, so that they can comment on the plans. They will then submit an outline planning application to WDC. They would like to have an open dialogue with the parish throughout the scheme and asked if there is anything the Parish Council would you like to see on the site. The chairman where the point of access to houses be. Mr Maltman explained that there will be two access routes both from the Ibstone Road. The Chairman explained that the Parish Council's main concerns would be the infrastructure for example the doctors surgery and schooling in the area as both are already oversubscribed. Mr Maltman explained that they have spoken with the education board and were told that the capacity is there for schooling. Mr Maltman will forward his communication emails with education board to the clerk. It was brought to Mr Maltman's attention that the foul drainage in that area would serious consideration as it struggles with the existing capacity. The Chairman explained that the road safety aspect will also need consideration. Mr Maltman replied that they are planning to put a 30mph speed limit on the road and a footpath inside the planning boundary for children to the adjoining footpath to get the school buses. Once the parishioners receive the leaflet they can comment online via their website or in writing.

## 8. Planning – Planning decisions; permissions and refusals.

- 05259 - Removal of Hawthorne (T1), group of Conifers (T2, T3, T4, T5, T6, T7, T8, T9), Pyracantha (T10) and group of Conifers (T11, T12, T13, T14, T15, T16 ) - Warmwell House Lower Church Street Stokenchurch Buckinghamshire HP14 3TG (Mr Scott Stroud) No Objection, unanimously agreed.
- 05280 - Retention of 1.8 metre high close boarded fencing and 1.5m high post and rail fencing around land (retrospective) - Land Fronting Five Oaks Farm Wycombe Road Studley Green Buckinghamshire HP14 3UY – (Mrs Eileen Fletcher). The Parish Council object for the following reason: Class A of part 2 of The Town and Country Permitted Development Order 2015 which states; **Development not permitted**; A (c) - The height of any gate, fence, wall or other means of enclosure, would as a result of the development exceed its former height. Unanimously agreed.

9. **District and County Councillors:** Cllr Etholen reported that the SWLCAF meeting is in February. Cllr Etholen informed the council that there is funding available for project in the village but time is of the essence bids need to be put in by the 20<sup>th</sup> February. There is also a healthy living funding budget for physical activity schemes in our area. Clerk to follow up. Cllr Etholen reported that it is not looking likely that Wycombe District will be increasing the council tax for the coming year and Marcourt Road and Beech Close have been identified for repair and they are waiting to find out if funding is available. Mr Penny mentioned that the top end of New Road adjoining the Marlow Road is also in need of repair. Cllr Etholen will report this to the necessary person for consideration. **Bollards Tescos** - The Chairman informed the council that the bollards outside of Tesco's will be installed on the 20<sup>th</sup> February and then asked Cllr Etholen about the progress of the bollards to be installed outside CJ Stores. Cllr Etholen will chase it up.

## 10. Finance-

- Bills Payable to the amount of £1741.34, Unanimously agreed.

11. **Correspondence** – Clerk read and email received from a parishioner requesting permission for the removal of his boundary hedge adjacent to Mill Lane so he is able create a space to park his car. Following a discussion it was agreed that whilst the parish council are sympathetic to the request the Parish Council will not give permission for the creation of a new access to the property via Mill Lane.

## 12. The Commons – None

13. **Other Parish Matters. Caravan** – Mr Saunders reported that a new caravan has been seen taken onto the site a Mudds Bank can we get Gemma Davis to do a site visit. Clerk to follow up. **Community Bus** – Mr Saunders informed the community bus would like to hold their regular meetings at Longburrow hall and would the council consider a lower rate of hall hire. The clerk requested that we consider the consistency of the hall hire terms and conditions for all parish organisations and charities. A £60 refundable deposit to be taken for coffee mornings, £60 refundable deposit for regular meetings and the charity hall hire charge of £9 per hour for the small hall, £11 per hour for the large hall and the full refundable deposit of £150 and the charities hall hire charges as stated above for parties and large functions. The parish council agreed that the terms and conditions of hall hire need to be consistent across the board.

**Park Lane-** Mr Penny asked if there was any progress with Mr Giles since he had agreed to repair the potholes on Park Lane. Clerk had sent a reminder request but has not had a reply yet, clerk will chase up again. **Studley Green** – Mr Penny enquired when the notice board in Studley Green was going to be moved. The clerk reminded the parish council that it was previously agreed that the Parish Warden was happy to relocate the notice board but would need assistance in doing so, Mr Penny kindly volunteered to help, clerk will follow up. **George Road** – Mr Davis reported that a large number of cars are still parking on the double yellow lines outside of Tesco's and asked if we could contact NSL to come and issue some tickets. **Marlow Rd Cemetery** – Mr Penny reported that there is a mound of debris that needs burning before the spring clean-up of the cemetery commences, Mr Penny and Mr Davis will follow up. **Pedestrian Crossing in Marlow Rd** – Mr Davis reported that the fir hedge is littering the path by the crossing. Clerk will report trees to Bucks County Council. **Lamp Post** – It was reported that the lamp post on the corner of the Marlow Road had been knocked down by a car. Clerk had reported the lamp to Bucks County Council. **Allotments** – Mr Thomas reported that he had requested payment from plot holders who are behind on their payment, some of whom have come in to pay already. One plot holder is unobtainable and it appears no payment was received last year either so a letter of termination will be forwarded shortly. **Mudds Bank** – The clerk reported that Cllr Saddique had received an email from waste service who have said unfortunately there is little that can be done about the rats in that area and waste services will be assessing the area again to see if removing the recycling bins would be better. **Jubilee Road Litter Bin** – Mr Preece had emailed to report that the litter bin on Jubilee Road had been vandalised and destroyed. Clerk to follow up. **DS Autos** – Mr Preece email stated that there are still several cars in the Kings Car Park and around the village and asked if we can report them to WDC as abandoned cars. Clerk to follow up. **Pigeon Farm Road** – Mr Preece's email also informed the council that a disabled parking spaces had been marked out, outside of house number's 7,8 & 9 Pigeon Farm Road, he was unsure if they were official parking bays. Cllr Etholen stated that there would usually be a public consultation initially then the clerk will follow up.

There being no further business the meeting ended at 8.50pm

The Parish Council went in to committee for half an hour and then reconvened.

Mr Preece arrived at 9.30pm following his attendance of the planning committee for no; 00794 – Park Lane development stating 'WDC have approved the outline application for 14 units at Park Lane. This is subject to a re-appraisal by BCC Highways on road safety after I pointed out the errors in their late submission, which had only been submitted at Committee Stage and no one had seen before.' Mr Preece commended the efforts of both our District Councillors Adoh & Saddique and the chairman thanked Mr Preece for all of his time and effort and for representing the Parish Council at the planning committee.