

## **STOKENCHURCH PARISH COUNCIL**

**Minutes of the Meeting of the Parish Council held on Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> October 2018  
at Longburrow Hall at 7.30pm.**

**Attendees:** Cllrs Nuthall (Chair)(VN), Baker(Vice Chairman)(CB), Davis(DD), Garrett(SG), Parkinson(CP), Powis(JP), Preece(AP), Thomas(RT), Watson(NW) , Cllr Chadwick(IC),

**District:** Cllr Adoh (SA)

**County:**

**Minutes:** Cllr Watson

**Members of the public: 6**

### **1. Acceptance of apologies for absence.**

Cllr Saunders, BCC Cllrs Hayday, Etholen, and WDC Cllr Saddique.

### **2. Declarations of interest (agenda items).**

SG, VN bills payable

### **3. To confirm Minutes of 3<sup>rd</sup> October 2018.**

All in favour

### **4. Matters Arising (information only).**

(AP) 22 adults and 7 children attended the litter pick. Huge amount of litter collected. Thanks to Mrs Shurrock, Jemma Bowyer for cakes.

(DD) Attended AGM of library. Financially OK but book loans dropping - so promoting talks as well as loans: talks selling out.

(RT) Allotments; getting renewal payments in. A couple are dropping out - some concerns about tree management: spent time with the cutting contractor to look at what can be done. Suggesting some matting for unused allotments - price tbc.

(NW) Mudds Bank lay-bye cleared of rubbish and is being cleared of vegetation

(VN) Met with Betty Messenger Trust trustees. Making good progress setting up Sawmill Trust - applied to Charity Commission.

### **5. Reports/Actions.**

NW Electrical testing of Longburrow. Verges in Water End

AP Longburrow

DD Posts round the common: war memorial; memorial club

CJs and the bollards

AP Bus shelter at studley Green; Ashes in graveyard

### **6. Notification of Parish Matters (information only).**

#### **7. Planning:**

18/07211 Tower Farm - change of use to car park

No objection

18/07335 1 Hartmoor Close - side extension and boundary wall

No objection

18/07485 1 Beech Close - single storey side / rear extension

No objection

18/07374 Chiltern Jaguar Garage Mill Road - variation of opening hours

Object on basis that it will directly affect the parishioners. Raise the point that they are not complying with existing conditions

18/07432 2 The Haven - construction of rear conservatory

No Objection

18/07457 Lloyds Bank Church Path - change of use to B1 (Original building was wooden). Comment that the conservation people should be consulted as we do not believe is in keeping with the area. Extension will be taking some of the available parking space. No objection with the change of use. (1 abstain)

18/07526 31 Marcourt Road - non material amendment to 18/05776

No objection available.

18/07528 Oakside, Wycombe Road - fell oak tree

No objection

18/07421 The Hawthorns Wycombe Road, Studley Grn - single storey extension

No objection

18/07380 Studdridge Farm, Ibstone Road - listed building / log burner & flue

No objection

## **8. District & County Councillors.**

Mudds Bank lay-bye needs regular checks.

## **9. Finance:**

- Bills Payable

Approved (1 abstain)

AP suggested finance committee meet with the finance.

## **10. Correspondence.**

Request for ashes interment in the grave of a former resident. Approved (unanimous)

Bus shelter in Studley Green needs cleaning. Parish warden to take action.

## **11. The Commons.**

Posts: still a lot of broken posts - awaiting quote. 4x4 plastic posts are approx £2/post dearer, but they will last longer. Mix and match might not work - and plastic might not be acceptable in the conservation area. Polaris have quoted (verbally) £550 for 20 posts which was proposed to accept.

Hedge cutting started today.

Polaris will clear up the cuttings off

## **12. Other Parish Matters:**

Periodic electrical testing of Longburrow Hall is overdue (12/17) and PAT testing appears to have expired. Get electrical test and PAT testing done on Longburrow: VN to contact contractor.

Greens in front of houses in Water End: Parish Council to write to homeowners and Red Kite to ask them to restore the grass. This will also protect it from adverse possession. Solicitor to prepare letters. Same problem exists on Marlow Road.

Longburrow building needs work doing - propose using the income from the upstairs to bring the building up to standard.

War memorial: warden and DD have done some work on it. There is a crack that needs attention. Early Nov, a final tidy up is planned. Aiming to get some red flowers in flower for the ceremony. DD/SG working together. Possibly source some stone planters for next year. CJ Stores Bollards: people are stopping by the bollards still and blocking the road - photos should be submitted to Thames Valley Police. Hopefully it will improve when the lines are repainted.

Memorial Hall: people smoking outside main door and it is blowing in. Proposing a canopy for people to smoke under at the end. More details needed.

A resident of the village has reached 100 years old - DD to get some flowers for her.

Devolution of services: we are silver level. Gold level would include an amount of money for repairing potholes and is not what we, as a parish council, want.

### **From the floor:**

Acoustics in the hall are bad for the hard of hearing and possibly would be a candidate for the hall improvement.

Red Kite have a meeting in the Memorial Hall imminently (? Thursday) to discuss developing some more of the land in Georges Road for flats. This will increase the parking problems in the road...

Hedges at the Stokenchurch allotments need cutting. Branch hanging off a tree too.

Approach the allotment association to help with the problem. The height of the hedge is a problem.

In the allotments car park, the potholes need mending as it is very bad.

Pictures in the hall should be reinstated.