

## PARISH OF STOKENCHURCH

Minutes of the Meeting of the Parish Council held on Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> September 2017  
At Longburrow Hall at 7.30pm.

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

1. **Apologies.** Apologies were received from Cllr Penny, Cllr Adoh & Cllr Saddique
2. **Declarations of Interest.** Mrs Powis on bills payable.
3. **Minutes.** It was agreed by all those present at that meeting that the minutes of the Council meeting on 16<sup>th</sup> August 2017 be approved. Unanimously agreed with one abstention.
4. **Matters Arising** – Clerk read the response from TFB regarding the signs on the A40 near Dog rescue. Stating TFB have assessed the report and the repair of this defect has been added to their works programme. Mr Davis referred to the hedge on the Marlow Road Cemetery, mention at the last meeting and requested to have the said hedges reduced to 5ft. Clerk to follow up.
5. **Reports and Actions** – Mr Thomas reported on his attendance at the LAF meeting where he met the new manager of the area technicians, stating that he would like to come and attend a meeting in the future to meet us and discuss areas of concern in our parish. Mr Thomas gave an update on the allotments. Mr Jones informed the council that he had received lot of complaints about the Studley Green area and stated that Cllr Hayday reported them.
6. **Notification of Parish Matters (information only) – Chiltern Vale Farm – Footpath 75 – Trees on the Marlow Road – Chiltern Conservation Board – Marlow Road footpath**
7. **Planning** – Planning decisions; permissions and refusals.
  - 07297 - Householder application for construction of two storey side/rear extension and single storey rear extension (alternative scheme to PP 16/07793/FUL) - The Cottage Water End Farm Water End Road Stokenchurch Buckinghamshire HP14 3XQ – (Mr & Mrs Cotton) No objection, unanimously agreed.
  - 07241 - Demolition of all existing buildings and structures and redevelopment of a supported living community (Class C2) providing 169 units comprising 115 supported living units, 24 care suite units and 30 dementia care suites, clubhouse incorporating community facilities and administrative accommodation, improvements to internal access roads, landscaping (including additional planting and water features and swales in association with the SUDS), passive garden courtyards, active recreational areas (tennis, bowls and pitch and putt), allotment gardens, community energy centre, servicing area and parking for staff, residents and visitors - The Wycliffe Centre Horsleys Green Buckinghamshire HP14 3XL – (Salmon Harvester Properties Ltd) Mr Jones asked to defer this to the next meeting so it can be looked at thoroughly. Unanimously agreed.
  - 07191 - Householder application for construction of single storey rear extension with alterations and widening of front driveway - 8 Parris Road Stokenchurch Buckinghamshire HP14 3QF – (Mr A Cook) No objection, unanimously agreed.
  - 07163 - Householder application for demolition of existing garage and construction of two storey side extension - 65 Mill Road Stokenchurch Buckinghamshire HP14 3TP – (Mr W Bennett) No Objection.
  - 07117 - Certificate of lawfulness for proposed construction of rear dormer window and 2 x front rooflights in connection with domestic loft conversion - 91 New Road Stokenchurch Buckinghamshire HP14 3SQ – (Mr & Mrs Billy & Ella Grogan) No objection, unanimously agreed.
  - 07083 - Construction of 3.2 metre high wind break, hard-standings and installation of a below ground water storage tank -Berry Farm Mudds Bank Lay-by Wycombe Road Stokenchurch Buckinghamshire HP14 3RS (Mr Max Roberts) The Parish Council objected to this application for the same reason that it has objected to the thirteen other applications for this site. (the full details are available in the office or on the WDC website under comments).
  - 07090 - Householder application for construction of single bay garage to front with front porch- 17 Collyer Road Stokenchurch Buckinghamshire HP14 3QG - (Mrs James) No objection, unanimously agreed.
  - Mr Preece informed the council that the cheese farm application had been approved.

8. **District and County Councillors:** Cllr Etholen also gave a report on the LAF meeting stating that Dave Coupe was a breath of fresh air, stating that he said he is trying to spend money on infrastructure. Cllr Etholen continued informing the council that Dashwood Hill vegetation had been cut back already following a site visit by Dave Coupe. In addition to the salt, which had been ordered ready for gritting this winter and new vehicles had been brought. Cllr Etholen informed the council of the Consultation on Education and Skills in Bucks to achieve a more diverse range of options the website for comments is; [www.buckscsc-safe](http://www.buckscsc-safe) . Cllr Etholen enquired about the installation of the bollards CJ's. The chair informed Cllr Etholen this had been deferred until the next financial year. Mr Preece asked if there was any news about the unitary council. Cllr Etholen stated was informed that a decision was going to be made in October but with Brexit talks it may be delayed and it was likely that a decision will be made by May 2021.

#### 9. Finance-

- Bills Payable to the amount of £7605.14, unanimously agreed.
- August Accounts - unanimously agreed.

10. **Correspondence** – Clerk read a request from Stokenchurch Cricket club, requesting permission to for the club to firstly providing two new single wicket areas as marked on the attached plan by removing the existing soft turf and replacing this with new soil and seed to achieve a surface similar to our main playing square. Secondly, increase the outfield area we presently mow to provide a larger playing area to accommodate 2 playing areas. In addition to this, we would also like to level out the very bumpy area which runs adjacent to the tower garage wall and filling the drainage ditch depression which has become deeper as the years have passed by, again shown on the attached plan. The work will need to take place in late September 2017 to enable grass to recover for the 2018 season and we hope the council will have no objections to our proposals. The new "pitch" areas would need to be cordoned off over the winter months to protect the new grass growth and this will be done with metal poles and netting. The club would be happy to attend a council meeting to explain please the finer details. Following a discussion the clerk will invite them to the next meeting. Clerk read an email from Mr Elliott at SMC stating that he would take a look at the hedges of the boundary of the medical centre and the allotments to see who is responsible for cutting the allotments side. Mr Thomas will also take a look and report back to the council. Mr Elliot also stated in his email that 'as of October we will have five GP's working at the Medical Centre instead of four, which is an achievement, and hopefully will help cement a medical centre in the village for the future.' Can you thank the Parish Council for all of their support which has helped get us to this position. Clerk read a request from a very concerned parishioner about dangerous parking conditions on the junction of the A40 and the Marlow Road. Stating that the line of sight is also poor at this junction. Following a discussion the clerk will invite Dave Coop to a meeting to discuss problem areas in Stokenchurch to see what can be done. Clerk show the council a request for a headstone for Ashley Blackstock. Unanimously agreed. Clerk had received a request from Cllr Thomas to attend a course on Allotment Management at a cost of £75. Following a discussion the request was not approved on the basis that the course fee seemed quite high and Cllr Thomas already does an amazing job managing the allotments it wasn't necessary.

11. **The Commons** – None.

12. **Other Parish Matters - Chiltern Vale Farm** – Mr Preece had an enquiry from a parishioner asking if there has been an application for change of use at Chiltern Vale Farm, there are concern about the amount of trucks that are coming, going and being stored on land adjacent to residential streets. Mr Preece had done a search on google maps and thought everything looked fine but asked if anyone else had any concerns. A parishioner present explained that there are lots of lorries that come and go all the time. Mr Preece asked if are they agricultural? The parishioner replied no building lorries. They appear to be based at the site. Should they should have a goods operating licence? The clerk to contact Mr Emmett and invite him to a meeting. **Footpath 75** – Mr Preece referred to a previous meeting where clearing Footpath 75 was discussed and asked for an update. Clerk explained that it was decided that the Parish Warden is happy to cut it back and clear it but is waiting for a volunteer to assist him. **Trees on the Marlow Road** – Mr Davis informed the council that the lollypop lady is regularly sweeping the debris from the large trees on the Marlow Road by the crossing and asked if the parish warden could go and remove the debris on a regular basis. The clerk informed Mr Davis that neither the trees or the pavement are the responsibility of the Parish Council. Clerk will report the debris and do a land registry search to find out who is responsible for the trees. Clerk will also send a letter to Helen White (lollypop lady) thanking for her efforts. **Chiltern Conservation Board** – Mr Thomas informed the council that following an email from the clerk he is happy to put himself forward for the election to the Chiltern Conservation board. **Marlow Road Footpath** – Mr Davis reported that the footpath along the Marlow Road cemetery also needs cutting back, Mr Davis volunteered to help the parish warden the hedges back.

A parishioner stated that there are two bins right next to each other near the post office could on be repositioned on the other side of the road. These bins are the responsibility of Wycombe District Council, the clerk contact WDC to request that one is repositioned.

There being no further business the meeting ended at 9.20 pm