

STOKE LODGE AND THE COMMON PARISH COUNCIL

MEETING ON 10 JANUARY 2019

7.00PM AT THE PAVILION, THE COMMON, STOKE LODGE

MINUTES

Present: Councillors Andrew Alsop, Brian Hopkinson, Tracey Harrison-Ashe, John Bowyer, Andrew Dyer and John Blight.

Minute Agenda Item

1/11 Welcome and Apologies for absence

Chair welcomed everyone to the meeting.

Councillor A Jewell, B Stokes and G Hasler sent their apologies.

Parish Clerk was also absent from the meeting.

2/11 Declarations of Interest

None

3/11 Public Speaking Session

10 Members of the public attended the meeting

Residents who attended wanted to discuss the provision and location of a dog bin in Bourton Avenue locality. Parish Council were advised that a petition had been circulated which was signed by 150 people in the local area asking for re-instatement of the dog bin that was removed. Parish Council asked the local residents to send a copy of the petition to Parish Clerk.

Following on from this Parish Council agreed to provide a dual use bin on the walkway between Bourton Avenue and Saxon Way.

4/11 Minutes of meeting held on 4 December 2018

Parish Clerk to amend J Blight not being present at the meeting.

Councillor A Dyer proposed and Councillor J Bowyer seconded; and upon being put to a vote it was unanimously **resolved** to:

Approve the minutes as an accurate record of the meetings providing the minor amendment is made.

5/11 Approval of precept for 2019/20

Following on from discussion held in December meeting, Councillors further discussed the level of precept to be levied per household for 2019/20.

Councillors who attended the meeting discussed reducing the precept to £80 per household. There

was some discussion about whether an £8 reduction would add any real benefit to the Parish area and whether the precept should remain the same (£88) and the money be used for Parish improvements.

Councillor A Dyer proposed and Councillor J Blight seconded; and upon being put to a vote it was **resolved** by a majority to:

Approve a precept level of £80 per household.

Councillors J Bowyer and T Harrison-Ashe voted against this proposal.

6/11 Improvements within the Parish

Sound Attenuation of The Pavilion – This work will be carried out on 14/1/19.

Hedge works – This work will be carried out on 14/1/19 by South Glos Council.

Computers – These are on order through Tony Friend as discussed at previous meetings.

Fencing at The Pavilion – this will be on hold until March 2019.

Hire of The Pavilion – Dog Show has booked 27/4 and party for 15/6.

7/11 Parish Clerks report

- None as Parish Clerk was absent from meeting
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8/11 Planning Applications

- PT18/6294/PNH 17 Standish Avenue – Parish Council had no comments

9/11 Parish Council Finance Update

- Parish Clerk sent around bank statements from the previous month

Councillor T Harrison-Ashe proposed and Councillor J Bowyer seconded; and upon being put to a vote it was unanimously **resolved** to:

Approve the bank statements for the previous month.

- Bank Reconciliation was provided to all Councillors

Councillor A Dyer proposed and Councillor J Bowyer seconded; and upon being put to a vote it was unanimously **resolved** to:

Approve the Bank Reconciliation

- Payments over £500

Councillor T Harrison-Ashe proposed and Councillor J Bowyer seconded; and upon being put to a vote

it was unanimously **resolved** to:

Approve the above invoice.

- Quarterly Finance Report

Councillor T Harrison-Ashe proposed and Councillor B Hopkinson seconded; and upon being put to a vote it was unanimously **resolved** to:

Approve the Quarterly Finance Report

10/11 Dates of future meetings

(all at 7pm at The Pavilion)

14 February 2019

14 March 2019

11 April 2019

9 May 2019

13 June 2019

11/11 Any items the Chair considers urgent

Sandhurst Close tree works – works are needed to a number of trees in this locality and Parish Council have raised this with South Gloucestershire before. Chair A Alsop has again asked for a meeting with South Glos Council and will await a date.

I confirm that the minutes are a correct record of the meeting.

Signed:

Date: