

STOKE LODGE AND THE COMMON PARISH COUNCIL

MEETING ON 12th NOV 2020

7.00PM VIRTUAL MEETING OVER ZOOM

MINUTES

Present: Councillors Andrew Alsop, Tracey Harrison-Ashe, Andrew Dyer, Rebecca Strong, Jon Butler, Brenda Stokes, Ward Member Franklin Owusu-Antwi (part)

Minute Agenda Item

11.20.1 Welcome and Apologies for absence

Chair welcomed everyone to the meeting.

We experienced some technical difficulties with Zoom and as a result John Blight and Bryan Hopkins were unable to join the meeting. Councillor John Bowyer sent his apologies. Ward Councillor Sarah Pomfret was invited but she did not attend the meeting – no apologies were received.

11.20.2 Declarations of Interest

None

11.20.3 Public Speaking Session

No members of the public attended this meeting

11.20.4 Ward Members (this happened later in the meeting due to IT issues)

Councillor Franklin Owusu-Antwi checked that the council were aware that the Stoke Lane Traffic calming measures have been approved against the Parish Council's wishes.

11.20.5 Approval of Minutes and Matters Arising from Meeting on 8th October 2020

Councillor Jon Butler proposed and Councillor Andrew Dyer seconded; and upon being put to a vote it was unanimously resolved to:

Approve the minutes as an accurate record.

11.20.6 Stoke Lane Traffic Calming

This has been approved against our wishes but will not proceed until the Gypsy Patch Bridge has been completed. We need to check if we can appeal the decision.

ASACP
10.12.20

11.20.7 Bus Shelter Update

The installation company now have the sign and it should be installed within the next few weeks.

11.20.8 Four Towns Transport

Due to the uncertainty surrounding the COVID situation they do not have an up to date business plan. We will need to get a grant application completed & approved before we can provide financial support. It was unanimously agreed that it is a very useful service to the local community which The Parish Council should support if their application is deemed satisfactory.

Action – clerk to issue Grant Application Form

11.20.9 Play area update

The old green shelter has been removed and disposed of.
We are seeking quotes for some benches for The Common. It was suggested that some commemorative benches for Forces/NHS would be a good idea – Patchway Deputy Clerk has the information for these.

Action – Chair to contact Patchway Deputy clerk regarding commemorative benches

Councillors were presented with following quotes for approval:
A Picnic table at £1274.40 excluding installation or £1484.40 including installation
A replacement youth shelter at £4644

Both of the above items were proposed by Councillor Jon Butler and seconded by Councillor Andrew Dyer and upon being put to a vote it was unanimously resolved to:

Proceed with the purchase of these items.

1.20.10 Swift Sports Coaching

Email presented to Council – they appear to be contacting all of the local parishes. It was agreed its not something we can explore at this stage.

11.20.11 Patchway People Magazine

This and other options have been explored but no suitable solution has been found. It was unanimously agreed that it would be better to remain independent and produce our own newsletter in the future.

APD
10.12.20

11.20.12 The Hut

We are unlikely to take this over until the new year.

11.20.13 Councillor Rebecca Strong – various queries

Gypsy Patch Bridge site has been visited and photos taken. The bridge is still stuck.

We need timetables for the 4 bus shelters in the parish.

Does not have a security badge for the council

Action – clerk to contact First Bus regarding timetables and organise Security Badge for Rebecca

11.20.14 Parish Council Finance Update

- Invoices over £500 – none
- Bank statements

Councillors were provided with bank statements for the accounts.

Councillor Brenda Stokes proposed and Councillor Jon Butler seconded; and upon being put to a vote it was unanimously resolved to:

Approve the bank statements.

- Bank Reconciliation

Councillors were provided with copies of the Bank Reconciliation.

Councillor Brenda Stokes proposed and Councillor Jon Butler seconded; and upon being put to a vote it was unanimously resolved to:

Approve the bank reconciliation for this month.

11.20.15 Planning Applications

35 Bubury Avenue
65 Stoke Lane
2 Brookfield Road - Approved with conditions

No objections were raised.

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10.12.20

10.20.16 Future Meetings

At present all future meetings will be held online for those Councillors who can use it.

Dates of future meetings

- 10 December 2020
- 14th January 2021
- 11th February 2021
- 11th March 2021

10.20.17 Any other business

Brenda Stokes– the kerb outside of 12 Staverton Close has been dropped but the street sign has gone – will it be replaced?

Jon Butler – The lights outside of the Bradley Stoke surgery are being left on overnight and as a result youths and some adults are congregating near the tennis court and causing a nuisance.

Jon Butler – For info - Yew Tree Cottage – the new owners are planning to build 4 link-detached houses at a total of 6000 Sq ft. The neighboring property which is on a larger plot was limited to 3000 sq ft.

Action – Clerk to contact Bradley Stoke Town Council re lights. Chair to deal with the sign query.

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

Signed:

Date:

APAC
10.12.20