

## Minutes of a Meeting of the South Stoke Parish Council

Tuesday 31<sup>st</sup> August 2021 at 7:30pm, South Stoke Village Hall

### Public Session

#### Members Present:

Chairman Cllr Bryan Urbick (BU)  
Members Cllr Victor Meyer (VM)  
Cllr Phillip Wortley (PWo)  
Cllr D Hathaway (DH)

#### Officers Present:

Clerk Christine Lamb (CL)

Public and Press: One member of the public attended

### Meeting started 19:30

The Chairman invited comments and questions from the members of the public attending.

The member of the public attended to hear updates on the items in Reports (item 6).

A question was raised about the frequency of the South Stoke Newsletter

*The Chairman thanked the member of the public for their questions and comments and started the meeting.*

#### **21.07.01 TO RECEIVE APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE AND TO APPROVE REASONS GIVEN. [LGA 1972 s85(1)]**

District Cllr Maggie Filipova-Rivers sent her apologies.

Cllr P White sent his apologies.

It was **RESOLVED** to approve the reasons for absence. (*unanimous*).

**21.07.02 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST [LA 2011 s31]** None received.

**21.07.03 TO CONSIDER REQUESTS FOR DISPENSATIONS [LA 2011 s33]** None received.



**21.07.04 TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF PREVIOUS COUNCIL MEETINGS**  
**[LA 1972 Sch 12 para 41(1)]**

**Parish Council Meeting, 26<sup>th</sup> July 2021**

Cllr P Wortley proposed that section 6 (Amenities Charity Report) had not sufficiently clarified that the PC would investigate the new surface options for the access road to the village hall. It was agreed to make this clarification to the Minutes of 26<sup>th</sup> July 2021. The Chairman added a handwritten comment on the minutes.

Minutes from the 26<sup>th</sup> July 2021 were then accepted as accurate and signed by the Chairman.  
*(unanimous)*

**21.07.05 PAST MATTERS FOR REPORT ONLY** (that are not already on the agenda).

Cllr Meyer reported that the updated South Stoke Emergency Plan, was being drafted and was nearly completed. After the final draft is approved it would be ready to file with Oxfordshire County Council.

**21.07.06 REGULAR REPORTS**

**South Stoke Community Shop:**

As Cllr White was not in attendance, his report would be received at the next Council Meeting.

**Amenities Charity Report**

Cllr Wortley reported that there were no new matters to report at the Amenities Charity had not met since the last Council Meeting.

**Slipway Committee Report**

The Clerk had worked with Cllr Scrivener to produce a draft agenda for the first Slipway Committee Meeting. Final paperwork would be issued to the members in the coming days and a date for the first meeting would be arranged.

The Terms of Reference for the Slipway Committee were outlined to the member of the public for clarification.

**Swimming Pool Area Report**

Cllr Hathaway reported on the current status of this issue and raised the matter of whether, in light of other wider issues in the village, whether the report item needed to be redefined.

A discussion took place. It was agreed to change the name of this report to 'River Amenity Report' and for it to cover matters relating to the meadows on the riverbank, footpath access to this area and use of it by the village community.



### **The Park**

An article had been written and would appear in the next Newsletter asking for ideas for the use of The Park by the community.

It was **NOTED** that the community had already been asked for their ideas on this matter prior to lockdown. However, in the light of the pandemic lockdown period, the Council felt a relaunch of the discussion with a revised schedule to a consultation was a reasonable course of action to ensure fair community engagement.

### **Access Road to Village Hall resurfacing**

It was reported that the Amenities Charity will take on the repair of the access road and will investigate alternative surfaces. The Amenities Charity had begun to request quotes from contractors. Once all quotes received, the PC would be informed, and next steps communicated.

### **Potential Glebe Development**

Cllr Urbick reported that the Diocese will send a couple of plan options to the Parish Council by the end of September 2021. Once received, the Pc would review and decide if either of the options will be recommended to the village community.

Once the options had been received, the PC would be able to determine how best to facilitate a final consultation with the village community, ideally before the end of the year.

### **21.07.07 OTHER ITEMS TO REPORT**

Cllr Urbick reported on a meeting he attended with Openreach representatives, John Howell MP, and a local resident. Representatives from SSE were invited but did not attend.

The meeting was to discuss a resident's concerns and frustration of fibre broadband cables and how they are positioned over their property. A number of options for a resolution were discussed. A report on the matter would be written for the next issue of the South Stoke Parish Newsletter.



**21.07.08 PLANNING REPORTS**

The planning appendices produced by the Clerk was reviewed

<b>Planning Ref</b>	<b>Address</b>	<b>Comments/Decision</b>
<b>P20/S2385/FUL</b> Comments by 14 <sup>th</sup> July 2021	Land at Woodcote Road, South Stoke, RG8 0JJ	Comments submitted 14 <sup>th</sup> July. Ref 196997 <b>OBJECTS</b>
<b>P21/S2137/HH</b> Amendment to plans received 18 <sup>th</sup> August. Comments by 3 <sup>rd</sup> Sept	Lindon Cross Keys	Comments submitted 2 <sup>nd</sup> Sept. <b>Ref: 199820</b>
<b>P21/S3364/HH</b> Side facing roof lights to be opened and clear glazed <b>Comments by 28<sup>th</sup> August</b>	6 Cross Keys	Comments submitted 27 <sup>th</sup> Aug. Ref: 199528 <b>OBJECTS</b>
<b>P21/S2385/FUL</b> Proposed variation of condition <b>Comments by 31<sup>st</sup> August 2021</b>	Land at Woodcote Road RG8 0JJ	
<b>P20/S4706/FUL</b> Amendment to plans: extend red line, landscaping, and construction compound. <b>Comments by 19<sup>th</sup> September 2021</b>	Land to the west of Wallingford Road adjacent to the sewage works	Comments submitted 2 <sup>nd</sup> Sept. Ref 199823 <b>OBJECTS</b>
<b>P21/S3641/FUL</b> <b>Comments by 17<sup>th</sup> September 2021</b>	Full application for the change of use of the unit at Icknield Farm from Mixed Use to Sui Generis.	Comments submitted 3 <sup>rd</sup> September Ref 199902 <b>OBJECTS</b>



## 21.07.09 RESOLUTIONS

### 1. TO DECIDE WHICH RIGHTS OF WAY APPLICATIONS TO SUBMIT TO OXFORD COUNTY COUNCIL.

A discussion took place after which it was proposed, and seconded, that applications for RoW were submitted for footpaths 1, 3, 5 & 6.

It was **RESOLVED** to submit the applications for footpaths 1, 3, 5 & 6. *Majority (1 abstention)*

It was **NOTED** that application for RoW 4 had already been submitted and footpath 2 would be considered as part of a wider discussion in the 'River Amenities' Report agreed in item 6.

### 2. TO AGREE TO HAVE THE GRASS AT WHITE HILL QUARRY MOWED, AND THE ARISING REMOVED TO THE COMPOST AREA AT THE RECREATION GROUND, FOR THE COST OF £250.00.

It was **RESOLVED** to engage a contractor at up to a budget of £250.00 to mow and remove the cut grass from White Hill Quarry. *Majority (1 objection)*

## 21.07.10 FINANCE

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| <b>10.1</b> | To approve payments for period June 27 <sup>th</sup> – July 28 <sup>th</sup> , 2021.   | <b>APPROVED</b>             |
| <b>10.2</b> | To note receipts for period June 27 <sup>th</sup> – July 28 <sup>th</sup> , 2021.  | <b>NOTED</b>                |
| <b>10.3</b> | To note budget statement for July 28 <sup>th</sup> , 2021.   | <b>NOTED</b>                |
| <b>10.4</b> | To note the reconciled bank statement for bank account and reserves as of 28 <sup>th</sup> July 2021.  | <b>NOTED</b>                |
| <b>10.5</b> | To note and approve the insurance policy renewal payment for period from 1 <sup>st</sup> Oct 2021 to 30 <sup>th</sup> September 2022 at a cost of £847.74. No content changes have been requested for this policy. | <b>NOTED &amp; APPROVED</b> |

## 21.07.11 TO RECEIVE MEMBERS ITEMS FOR THE NEXT PC MEETING

None.

## 21.07.12 TO AGREE A LIST OF ITEMS FROM THE AGENDA TO BE INCLUDED IN THE NEXT EDITION OF THE PARISH NEWSLETTER

ClIr VM noted the following items agreed by the Council to be included in the Newsletter:

- Planning application.
- Amenities Charity seeking solution to resolve the issues with the Village Hall access road surface.
- Openreach cabling in the village.
- Rights of Way.

**Next PC Meeting:** 20<sup>th</sup> September 2021, 7.30pm South Stoke Village Hall