

SOUTH STOKE PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Planning Meeting held on 10th October 2011 at 6:30 p.m. in the Parish Hall

Present: Mr. M. Devenish (Chairman)
Mr. T. Geake
Mr. R. Hellard (Vice Chairman)
Mr. G. Davis (Clerk)

Mrs. S. Dustin
Mr. T. Haines
Miss. R. Harvey
Mrs. J. John

Also present: Ward Cllr. Neil Butters

1. 421 11/03860/FUL - The Poplars, 160 Midford Road, South Stoke, Bath

The council **OBJECTS IN PRINCIPLE** unless the scale of the proposal achieves symmetry with the similarly extended property at No 162 and unless the proposed materials would exactly match those of the original building.

2. 422 11/04123/FUL - Church View Packhorse Lane South Stoke Bath BA2 7DW

The council finds this re-submission of plans, which are identical to those previously refused, and for works already completed, to be most vexatious. Nonetheless, our discussions and ultimate decision were based on the evidence shown in the application.

The Council OBJECTS IN PRINCIPLE to the Proposals, and further, requests re-instatement of the wall and raised bank, because far from enhancing the Conservation Area the use of sub standard materials and loss of historic fabric will cause actual harm.

3. 423 Proposed Changes to the Bath & North East Somerset Core Strategy

South Stoke Parish Council is broadly supportive of the Draft Core Strategy document outlined by B&NES Council. The proposed changes to that document do not in general cause us great concern. The council states in its submission to B&NES Council that

- it formally records its support for the robust defence of the Green Belt, The Cotswold AONB and the World Heritage City of Bath.
- that the 'Previously Developed' (Brownfield) sites are re-used before any consideration is given to the use of Greenfield sites.
- that there should be no 'Urban Extension' to the City of Bath.

The Parish Council remains deeply concerned about the balance of evidence submitted during the course of the consultation period for the Draft Core Strategy. It will challenge the factual errors in the officers' report and will seek correction.

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