

SOUTH STOKE PARISH COUNCIL

**Minutes of the Planning Meeting held on 28th November 2011 at 6:30 p.m.
in the Parish Hall**

Present: Mr. M. Devenish (Chairman)
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, Mr. N. Alexander

Mr. N. Alexander addressed the meeting explaining his objections to the Chestnut Cottage Application.

1. 458 11/01724/FUL - Chestnut Cottage, Packhorse Lane, South Stoke, Bath BA2 7DL
The Parish Council has carefully considered this application and **OBJECTS IN PRINCIPLE** to the proposals.

South Stoke Parish Council continues to object strongly to this application because the proposed alterations would create a building that would be unacceptably tall and out of context in this sensitive part of the Conservation Area. These proposals, if implemented would cause real harm to the Conservation Area, to adjoining cottages in the same “Farm Group” and would represent a considerable over-development of the site.

2. 459 11/04269/FUL - Court Essington, Midford Road, Midford, Bath BA2 7BX

The Parish Council notes that the proposed buildings would be significantly larger than the present buildings. Whilst the site is not very visible from neighbouring properties or points of public access it is in the Green Belt and Cotswold AONB, so care should be taken to avoid its appearance from causing actual harm.

The Parish Council therefore objects to this application unless conditions that ensure the use of acceptable materials for a permanent structure in the Green Belt & AONB, and that ensure these buildings would always be and remain ancillary to the main house are met.

3. 460 Footpath crossing the Wansdyke

South Stoke Parish Council considers the breach in the Wansdyke that has been created to gain access to Sainsbury's is visually unattractive, unsafe, and is damaging the historic monument of the Wansdyke. The Clerk was instructed to write to B&NES Environmental Services to request the path be closed and the damage to the Wansdyke restored.

4. 461 11/00614/UNDEV - Churchview South Stoke - 11/01939/FUL, 11/04123/FUL & Appeal 11/00064/HOUSE

The Clerk reported that the above property was now the subject of a Planning Enforcement case with the above reference, and that Planning Enforcement would be writing to the owners to advise them to restore the boundary wall.

Geoff Davis (Clerk)

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