## SOUTH STOKE PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on 15th April 2019 at 6:30 p.m.

in the Parish Hall

Present: Mr. G. Davis (Clerk) Mr. R. Hayward

Mr. P. Dawson Mrs. J. John

Mrs. S. Dustin Mr. C. Winpenny (Chair)
Also Present: Colin Webb, Mags Stroud, Robert Hellard, Ward Cllr. Neil Butters

- 1. 313 Apologies for Absence None,
- 2. 314 Declarations of Interest and Dispensations None
- 3. 315 Confidential Matters None
- **4. 316 Village Green Removal of Unsafe Tree –** The Parish Council resolved **to** approve the emergency expenditure of £510 plus VAT for the removal the Rowan Tree which had become unsafe due to rot. As not all works had been carried out as anticipated Cllr. Jenny John was asked to agree a reduced cost if matters remained unresolved.
- 5. Village Hall Replacement of failed heating system
  - 317 The Parish Council approved the expenditure of the £500 budget figure towards the cost of the replacement heaters and associated works.
  - 318 The Parish Council instruct the Clerk to proceed with the procurement of the heaters and works, on receipt, in advance, of the agreed grant funds from the Village Hall Management Committee.
  - 319 The Parish Council agreed to defer decision of what further financial assistance towards these works to make to the Annual Parish Council meeting on May 20th 2019, so that the new Parish Council may properly consider this matter.
- 6. Planning Matters Sulis Down Planning Application Ref 17-02588-EFUL and Master Plan
  - **320** It was reported that, insofar as anyone was aware, no further progress has been made with the Section 106 agreement.
  - 321 It was reported that B&NES Planning Policy had rejected the inclusion the Master Plan Submission by Hignett Family Trust in the Local Plan review, and that they would oppose its inclusion in the West of England Joint Spatial Plan (WEJSP) Examination in Public.
  - 322 The Joint Strategic Plan Consultation As the Parish Council had not raised objections to the WEJSP, having no grounds on which to do so, it could not be included in the hearings when they take place.
  - 323 The B&NES Local Plan Review Consultation Since B&NES Planning policy have rejected the HFT Submission there is no need to make representations on the matter to B&NES Planning Policy. However, it may be appropriate to make a representation to B&NES Planning policy so that they may take this to the WEJSP EiP, on our behalf, as part of their submission.
  - 324 The Parish Council resolved to set aside funds, to be expended at the discretion of the chairman, on any necessary specialist Legal or Planning advice required to secure representation at the initial hearings of the forthcoming WEJSP EiP. This expenditure to be budgeted at £600 but not to exceed £1,000, without further resolution of the Council.
  - 325 It was agreed that the Chair would make an indicative resolution for the following Annual Parish Meeting to make in support of these proposals, and would ask that meeting to make contact with himself or the clerk by email to offer or discuss any financial support they might offer to this cause. The motion being:-

We support the Parish Council's intention to object strongly to the latest plans by the Hignett Family Trust to create a Strategic Housing Development of around 800 dwellings on the South Stoke Plateau (Sulis Down).

- 7. Dates for Future Meetings
  - 326 Annual Parish Council Meeting: May 20th 2019