

SOUTH STOKE PARISH COUNCIL
Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on 15th July 2019 at 7:00 p.m.
in the Parish Hall

Present: Mr. G. Davis (Clerk)
Mr. P. Dawson
Mrs. S. Dustin

Mr. R. Hayward
Mr. C. Winpenny (Chair)

Also Present: Ms. S. Dawson, Ward Cllr. Matt McCabe, Mr. R. Hellard

- 1. 394 Apologies for Absence** – Cllr. J. John, Cllr. M. Stroud
- 2. 395 Declarations of Interest and Dispensations** – None.
- 3. 396 Confidential Matters** – None
- 4. 397 Minutes of Annual Parish Council Meeting** held on 20th May 2019 – Approved and signed by the Chairman.
- 5. 398 Minutes of Parish Council Committee Meeting** held on 10th June 2019 – Approved and signed by the Chairman.
- 6. 399 Minutes of Parish Council Committee Meeting** held on 9th July 2019 – Not available for this meeting. They will be brought for approval to the next meeting.
- 7. 400 Parish Councillor Vacancy – Co-Option of new member** - As Colin Webb failed to sign his declaration of acceptance of office, we were not able to co-opt Sue Dawson at the previous meeting. The vacancy has been advertised as required, and Sue Dawson is duly co-opted as a member of the council. She was proposed by Cllr. Sue Dustin, Seconded by Cllr Roy Hayward and elected unanimously.

8. Financial Matters

401 RFO Report – Received and noted.

402 Payments approved as standing payments or at meeting on 20th May which have now been made.

09:50:39	SLCC	Clerks membership Renewal SSPC	66.58
09:53:35	G Davis	Expenses Audit Lunch	6.00
09:57:24	G Davis	Expenses Printer Cartridge	54.88
DD266-MAY	EON	Electricity Bill Dated 1/5/19	47.02
10:51:52	Sarah Richardson	Internal Audit Fee	105.00
10:56:58	Phil Cook	Millennium Seat Repair	200.00
11:01:50	Oldfield Electrical Svcs	PAT testing Village Hall	54.00
11:40:40	Grant Davis	Village Sweeper 28/4 to 25/5/19	300.40
11:42:43	Mr. G. Davis	Parish Clerk May 2019	290.35
13:37:55	ALCA	Good Cllr Course x 2	120.00
12:11:32	Came & Co	Parish Council Insurance - New Policy	346.37
11:44:35	HMRC	Month 2 Paye	147.80
DDBPT	Bath Preservation Trust	Membership Renewal 2019-20	15.00
14:36:01	Oldfield Electrical Svcs	Fixed Wire Test - Village Hall	336.00
14:40:14	Robert Hellard	Expenses - Turf Millennium Seat	9.98
14:41:47	Mr. G. davis	Expenses - Printer Cartridge	55.88
21:02:54	Nash Partnership	Planning Advice - WEJSP	637.61
DD266-JUNE	EON	Electricity Bill Dated 1/6/19	48.58
DDCPRE	CPRE	Membership 2019-20	36.00
12:14:11	Grant Davis	Village Sweeper 26/5 to 29/6/19	375.70
12:15:56	Mr. G. Davis	Parish Clerk June 2019	290.35
12:17:55	HMRC	Month 3 Paye	166.40

Payments for approval which have been made since 1st July or are yet to be made.

NONE

9. Parish Council Matters

403 Allotments – It was reported that the final allotment has been let so now are all let and cultivated

10. General Parish Matters

404 Broadband Provision in South Stoke and Midford – TrueSpeed have funding to proceed in the area. The Parish Council will seek information about the proposed routing and timetable for installation..

405 Midford Telephone Box – The costings for the proposed move and refurbishment are being drawn up.

406 Village Hall – Nothing further to report at this stage.

407 Police liaison – The PCSO have encouraged the marking of vulnerable items with UV pens as a very useful strategy for them and the owners. Next Police Liaison Meeting is on 9th September at 11.30am in the Packhorse.

Footpaths and Open Spaces

408 Footpaths – Councillors are researching and preparing their respective footpath reports.

409 Replacement Memorial Bench Grove Path – This will take place on Wednesday 17th July.

- 410 Combe Path Lawn BA22/7-8 Diversion and Crossing** – The clerk is asked to follow up the road safety improvements promised as part of this diversion, having received no reply to previous enquiries.
- 411 Village Green** – Cllr. Jenny John is progressing the tree removal and replacement.
- 412 Churchyard - Yew trees in St James's Churchyard** – Cllr. Jenny John is liaising in this matter between B&NES Churchyards and the Parochial Church Council.
- 11. Planning Matters**
- 413 Sulis Down Planning Application Ref 17-02588-EFUL and Master Plan**
Robert Hellard addressed the Parish Council on the matter of the Section 106 agreement and suggested the Parish Council consider taking professional advice on whether the actions and responses of the B&NES Officer were appropriate and lawful.
The Parish Council agreed and will write to the officer to inform him of their view that his response is unsatisfactory and that they will seek professional advice on the process. A budget of £500 was set as an appropriate amount and the Chair will contact Nash partnership to discuss. It was considered that this expenditure could be funded from the contributions received from members of the public to oppose the Sulis Down Development.
- 414 West of England Joint Spatial Plan – Examination in Public (EiP) – Progress** Mr. Robert Hellard having attend the EiP briefed the Council on the current position.
- Applications Received - None**
- 415 Decisions Pending**
19/00809/FUL - Pack Horse Farm, Old Midford Road, Midford, Bath BA2 7DQ - Conversion of existing barn into site manager's accommodation and site facilities serving existing equestrian DIY livery business.
19/01616/FUL – Parcel 9238 Packhorse Lane South Stoke Bath - Alteration of existing field access and creation of new farm track.
19/02573/TCA - The Old Vicarage, Old School Hill, South Stoke, Bath BA2 7DU - Holly (T1) -reduce to 7.5 metres height and 2.5 metres spread on the downhill side Yew (T2) -reduce to 7.5 metres height and 2.5 metres spread on the downhill side Yew (T3) -reduce to 13 metres height and round the top of the tree's canopy slightly Yew (T4) -reduce to 13 metres height and round the top of the tree's canopy slightly.
19/02597/FUL - The Linleys, Packhorse Lane, South Stoke, Bath BA2 7DL- Erection of a single-storey side extension and raising of the external patio floor level.
- 416 Planning Decisions by B&NES**
19/02245/TCA – Manor Farm, Old School Hill, South Stoke, Bath BA2 7DP -Weeping tree - fell in order to protect the Listed Building - **No Objection**
- Planning Appeals - NONE**
- 417 Enforcement Update**
19/00243/UNDEV - Parcel 3131 Tucking Mill Lane Midford Bath - Creation of hardstanding area. - Planning Enforcement have requested that the owner either replace all of the material that was removed to form the hardstanding area to replicate the previous land levels or submit a retrospective application to try and retain the hardstanding at its current size. It is likely that an application to retain the hardstanding at its current size would be unacceptable due to the issues identified, a smaller area may be acceptable subject to assessment.
19/00038/UNDEV- Belle Vista Farm Old Midford Road Midford Bath - Alleged Unauthorised Development and Use of Land for Disposal of Waste – No breach of planning control is deemed to have occurred in this respect, but land owner has been advised about possible future intentions.
- 418 Other Planning Matters to Report**
Licensing Policy and Cumulative Impact Assessment in Bath City Centre – Consultation 21st June to 12th September 2019 – Noted but no comment to make.
- 12. Highway Matters**
- 419 Southstoke Lane and Village Road Safety Measures.**
Robert Hellard addressed the Council to give his opinion that Bollards on south Stoke lane might be an inexpensive solution. That speed bumps would be expensive and a nuisance. That a pseudo footway would push traffic to one side of the road and require road surface repairs. That signage could be relatively low cost and effective. That advisory speed limits were ineffective and cost almost as much as mandatory limits, and finally that a mandatory limit could be effective, would require a Traffic Regulation Order, and was a requirement for many of the other measures. In any event the Parish Council needed to do something.
The Parish Council agreed that a Mandatory Speed Limit was a prerequisite to many of the other measures proposed. They took account of the B&NES Highways Officers views and report, and his recommendation and support for a 30 m.p.h. limit on South Stoke Lane, leading to a 20 m.p.h. limit from Brantwood through the village.

- 420 The Clerk was instructed to proceed with the B&NES Officers recommendation** and to ask him to put in place all necessary measures to proceed and progress with these limits, commencing with a survey of the village. Before the Parish Council finally commits to this however the Clerk is to ascertain the amount of any contribution from the Parish and the timetable for implementation. The PC will also continue to pursue other safety measures in the Village which are not predicated on a speed limit.
- 421 Midford Road/Village – road safety issues** – It was reported that the potholes are being filled, but nothing further to report at this point.

13. 422 B&NES Matters

Parish Liaison Meeting - Next Meeting 24th July 2019

Bath Preservation Trust – Nothing to Report

14. Other Matters to Report - None

15. Correspondence Received - None

16. 423 Dates for Future Meetings – The following dates for meetings for the coming year are agreed.

Monday 16th September 2019, Monday 18th November 2019, Monday 13th January 2020, Monday 9th March 2020

Annual Parish Meeting: Monday April 20th 2020, Annual Parish Council Meeting: May 18th 2020

The meeting closed at 21:20

Approved and signed 16th September 2019

Chairman