

STOKENCHURCH PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Meeting of the Parish Council Wednesday 1st of February 2023 at 7.30 pm at Longburrow Hall

ATTENDANCE: Cllr Nuthall (Chair), Penny – (Vice-Chair), Cllrs Baker, Burnham, Jennings, Preece, Young

BUCKINGHAMSHIRE COUNCILLOR: Cllr Carl Etholon

CLERK : Shelley Adnett

MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC: Seven

Prior to the commencement of the meeting it was announced by Cllr Nuthall that a previous Councillor, Stan Ramsey had passed away this week, Stokenchurch Parish Council would like to offer our condolences to the family.

1) Apologies for absence

Apologies received from Cllr Adoh, Carington, D Hayday, O Hayday, Jenkinson, Ramsden, Thomas.

Cllr Ghost absent with no apologies received.

2) Declarations of any personal interests

Cllr Jennings disclosed a personal and prejudicial interest as a family member had an invoice within this month's bills payables.

Cllr Penny disclosed a personal and prejudicial interest in planning item 22/08257/FUL.

3) To confirm minutes of 7th December 2022

Majority approved the minutes with one abstention, Council agreed the minutes to be a true and accurate record. The Chairman signed the minutes.

Meeting closed by Chair and opened to the public

A Parishioner discussed the planning application 22/08257/FUL 27 Pigeon Farm Road, asking for the council to object to this proposal on the grounds that the proposed property is not in keeping, and change the character of the Cul-de-sac. Secondly insufficient parking

The parishioner that asked to review the minutes in the January 2023 meeting requested if he could now review them as of 1975 to the current date. The Parish will work with the parishioner to come to a suitable arrangement and get back to him in writing when is convenient. Cllr Baker and Penny have said they will sit with parishioner. We shall need to check with BALC on the correct way to move forward with this request.

4) Buckinghamshire Councillors

Cllr Etholon TTRO – Marlow Road – has been rescheduled from the end of February and put on hold currently.

Proud of Bucks nominations close the 12th February if you wish to nominate anyone in any of the various categories.

Mudds Bank – Bucks enforcement team visited 3 sites on the 17th January 2023, all 3 areas are in breach of enforcement notices and a meeting will be held to get quotes for formal action to make the notices compliant. We thank Gemma Davies for her hard work during this process.

Bledlow Ridge Recycling Centre reopened on the 16th January 2023

Environmental Health had been to inspect The Kings Hotel and surrounding area due to the possibility of Rats being in the vicinity, no signs were found of rats or vermin.

5) Finance

- i. Bills Payable – Council Approved, Cllr Jennings abstained
- ii. Monthly Accounts – Unanimously approved Cllr Preece noted that we are still on track to being within Budget this financial year.

6) The Kings Hotel

No Update this month.

7) Grass Cutting Tender

The successful contractor for a three year period has been awarded to Polaris Groundcare. Stokenchurch Parish Council would like to Thank Charlie Fox our current contractor, he has done an amazing job and we hope he will retender in the future.

8) SGCC

Added to agenda in error – nothing to report

9) Social Media

The Chairman addressed the council and informed them than any council related items to be discussed on social media should be carried out by the clerk through the Stokenchurch Parish Council Facebook page and then shared to the community page. Councillors should be mindful when posting on social media and how they conduct themselves and to remain impartial.

10) Lighting in Marlow Road Cemetery

A parishioner has requested some lighting due to it being dark in the evening and winter months. It was suggested that perhaps some solar lighting could be installed and will be investigated.

11) Flat at Longburrow

A decision was made to keep the flat at Longburrow as a commercial let.

12) Planning

- a) **22/08305/FUL – Application For: Householder application for conversion of integral garage into a living space, replacing garage door with cavity wall, insulation and window** – 16 Parris Road, Stokenchurch, Bucks, HP14 3QF – Sophie Gifford – No Objection
- b) **22/08202/FUL – Application For: Demolition of existing dwelling, annexe and associated hardstanding, construction of 3-bed detached replacement dwelling with associated works** – Woodmans Cottage, Ibstone Road, Stokenchurch, Bucks, HP14 3XS – C/O Agent – No objection
- c) **22/08257/FUL – Application For: Construction of two-storey extensions and alterations to create a new attached dwelling with parking, together with a two - storey and first floor rear/side extension to the existing garage to habitable accommodation and provision of parking** – 27 Pigeon Farm Road, Stokenchurch, Bucks, HP14 3TE - RAP Building and Developments Ltd – Objection. The property is currently a detached house in a cul-de-sac of detached and link detached houses this would change the character of the cul-de-sac.
There is insufficient parking for another house. There is parking indicated on the planning application however the parking is unusable because access to this parking, passes over/encroaches on the land that is part of 28 Pigeon Farm Road. It is an over development of the area, there are already problems with parking in the road and additional cars would compound this.

The former Wycombe district council did not want any more houses in this cul-de-sac and we ask the officer to make note of this when making a decision.

13) Any other business (report only)

Cllr Nuthall requested that posts be installed near the shops in the village after a bus reversed and churned all the grass up and now residents have started parking on this area. The Artisan market is now looking to start in March and is looking to be held on the 2nd Saturday on the month and last Sunday of the month on the fair common.

14) Items for next agenda

Cllr Burnham requested that litter pick to be added

The meeting was closed at 8:20pm