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STOKENCHURCH PARISH COUNCIL**Minutes of the Meeting of the
Parish Council held on
Wednesday 19 February 2020
at Longburrow Hall at 7.30 pm**

Attendees:, Cllr Ian Chadwick(Chair),
Cllr Camilla Baker (Vice Chair), Cllr
Chris Parkinson, Cllr Jen Powis, Cllr
Andy Preece, Cllr Neil Watson , Cllr
Dan Davis, Cllr Suzy Garrett, Cllr Ben
Fearfield, Cllr Robin Thomas

District :

County:

Minutes : Mr J Harding

Members of the Public : 1

**1. Acceptance of Apologies for
Absence**

Cllr Sharon
Lander
(resigned); Cllr
Carl Etholen,
Cllr Saddique,
Cllr Adoh

**Declarations of
Interest
(agenda items)**

None

**3. To Confirm Minutes of
5th February 2020**

Amended planning item
20/05116 (objection Cllr
Baker). These were then
agreed. Proposed: Cllr
Preece; seconded : Cllr
Powis

**4. Matters Arising (information
only)**

- (1) Curtains Cllr Powis
reported more curtain
samples & quote being
obtained to fit
Longburrow external
doors
- (2) Allotments Cllr Thomas
reported 2 further plots had
been let
- (3) A40 Drainage Cllr Watson
reported that work to



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Cllrs Davis & Thomas. They queried if there were any larger maps.

- (5) Cllr Parkinson reported Day Centre awaiting BCC funding, also Day Centre moving into large hall as of Monday 24/2/20. Queried operation of new heater. Alan Day centre organiser has already been shown how to operate this.
- (6) Street lights Cllr Watson had reported a street light in George Road. There are 2 further lights in Slade Road to be repaired. Cllr Watson also reported that the M40 junction 5 street lights are being repaired in April.

5. Reports/Actions

- (1) Cllr Garrett reported that the Sawmill Trust were meeting at the end of the month & hopefully conclude the handover of funds.
- (2) Cllr Thomas reported that Bledlow Ridge HRC CIC (tip) re-opening is progressing. Cllr Thomas is a director & minute taker of the Bledlow Ridge HRC CIC, other councils have pledged monetary support. The Parish Council asked for further information
6. **Notification of Parish Matters (information only)**

Cllr Parkinson – Kings Hotel car park, trees Cllr Watson – Footpath/hedge Cllr Baker Sign

7. Planning

- (1) **20/05220** - Application for : Reduce crown to beech (T1) BY 2.5 metres and prune back one metre from wires; (T2) Lime – reduce crown by 3 metres and prune back over extended limbs towards house and roadside by 3 metres- Three Trees, 51 New Road, Stokenchurch HP14 3SQ – Adam Sharp. Proposed Cllr Preece refer to the tree officer seconded Cllr Garrett unanimously agreed.



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of the agricultural store (see House) with a two storey workshop, the conversion and extension of Moles Hill Cottage to form a two storey cottage, car parking and track alterations, landscaping, ecological enhancements and associated works – Wallace Hill Farm, Wellground, Stokenchurch HP14 3YF. No Objection Proposed Cllr Preece Seconded Cllr Garrett unanimously agreed

8. **District & County Councillors** – None present

9. **Finance**

Bills Payable - These were agreed. Proposed: - Cllr Preece; seconded: - Cllr Thomas unanimously agreed.

Monthly reports for January 2020 Proposed Cllr Parkinson; Seconded Cllr Powis unanimously agreed

10. **Correspondence** : (1) Clerk's resignation :- Letter had been circulated to the Councillors by the Chair. The Chair made it clear he was very unhappy with the situation which he considered to be bullying and will report to BALC if this re-occurs. He said apologies were required. BALC training is to be carried out. Cllr Preece asked that it be recorded that Mrs Presland was an excellent Clerk and her leaving would be a great loss. He stated that the comments in the circulated letter regarding the way the Clerk had been treated were totally unacceptable, particularly the racist and sexist comments. (2) BALC Training:- Spare place 6th May for Allotments Cllr Garrett. Common Land 8th April spare place Cllr Fearfield.

11. **The Commons**:- Posts to be replaced as new plan.

12. **Other Parish matters**:- (1 Cllr Parkinson reported debris on car park, blocked fire escapes etc outside Kings Hotel. Cllr Davis &



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(3) Cllr Watson reported problems on footpath STC 75 (George Road to Phopleys) encroaching hedges etc. Warden to investigate.

(4) Cllr Baker reported sign to motorway at junction 5 has suffered wind damage (5) Mr Randall reported there were notices about fly tipping in Slade Road, a bench had appeared on the old Lloyds Bank site, overhanging trees to A40 near Studley Green playing field and white gates to Stokenchurch entrance.

Meeting finished at 2035