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STOKENCHURCH PARISH COUNCIL

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

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

BUCKINGHAMSHIRE COUNCILLOR: Cllr
Carington

CLERK : Shelley Adnett

MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC: Eight

1) **Apologies for absence**

Apologies received from Cllr
Adoh, Etholon, Ghost, D
Hayday, O Hayday

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 Preece disclosed an interest
in planning item 22/08257/FUL.
Cllr Burnham disclosed an
interest in planning items
23/05101/FUL and
22/08357/FUL
Cllr Nuthall disclosed a personal
and prejudicial interest in item
13 the Car meet.

3) **To confirm minutes of
1th February 2023**

Majority approved the minutes
with one abstention Cllr
Thomas was absent from the
February meeting, Council
agreed the minutes to be a true
and accurate record. The
Chairman signed the minutes.



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points – Bucks council are looking to install within the village, with Longburrow Hall being a possible location.

Secondary school allocations have been announced. Over 75% have received first choice places and people have until the 14th March to accept places.

B482 feasibility study results have been received, Marlow road (Stokenchurch) towards Cadmore end. SPC requested for the speed limit to be reduced and traffic calming reassures to be explored. Disappointing response was received, Bucks Council and Thames Valley Police have not backed the proposition to reduce the speed limit. We are concerned for the safety of users/walkers along this route. Cllr Etholon has emailed to register his strong concerns with the report and dissatisfaction with the conclusions which has been reached and offer the alternative suggestions. A parishioner has previously stated that he would pay for a pedestrian walkway at his own expense in the interest of the safety of the children.

A consultation has started regarding the potential closure of Mary Towerton school, until 2nd April. There are two upcoming meetings on Tuesday 14th March 2:30 and 7pm. The school has capacity of 98 pupils currently has 33. They have zero application for Reception intake in September 2023. Please respond to consultation and give thoughts. Options are currently being explored.



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- i. Bills Payable – Council Approved, Cllr Jennings abstained
- ii. Monthly Accounts – Unanimously approved
- iii. Budget Update – Budget has been reviewed and on target. Projected spend of £140k to the end of Feb 2023 currently spent £138k.
- iv. Transfer of Reserves to a high interest account – Currently receiving an interest rate of 0.6% with Lloyds Bank, CCLA offer a rate 3.9% after fees who offer deposit accounts for Parish Councils. Cllr Jennings raised his concerns regarding the risks involved. Council Approved, Cllr Jennings and Burnham Objected.

6) **The Kings Hotel**

Cllr Nuthall thanked Lacey and Tim Anning from Wye Residential for their help with the potential partial reopening of the King Hotel car park. The whole car park cannot be reopened due to the risk factors surrounding the gable end of the hotel coming down. 11 car park spaces have been allocated and another 3 spaces by the chemist and estate agents side. The Heras fencing has been provided by John Lee



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hotel. Bucks council have boarded this up once again. We are asking parents to speak to the children regarding the risks of them breaking in, as within the past week the ceilings have fallen through. There has been no correspondence received from the owners of the hotel. SPC are doing everything they can to get this reopened. The Car Park will then be reassessed over the next 3 months to see if anymore of the car park can be reopened. A budget of £1,000 has been approved by council to get this reopened, cleaned, line marking and made secure.

7) **The Kings Coronation**

Cllr Jenkinson proposed a picnic in the park at Longburrow Park. Cllr Nuthall counter proposed a picnic on the common on Saturday 6th May 2023. It was decided to explore the costs of potentially hiring a large screen to watch the coronation, costings needed to be carried out and ask for local businesses to sponsor the hire of screen. Majority approved to have the picnic on the common as its more centralized and can involve more local businesses. It was decided to hold an extraordinary meeting to get this event finalised.

8) **SGCC**

Cllr Nuthall, Jennings, Penny and the Clerk met with the trustees of SGCC on Tuesday 21st February to discuss the renewal of the lease. The proposal from SGCC was received too late to discuss at the meeting. The proposal will be circulated to the councilors and be discussed and a new proposal put together. SGCC Would like to have a new



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disappointment at the lack of representation and that Cllr Ghost had not attended recent meetings.

9) **Litter Pick**

Cllr Burnham and Thomas agreed to take on the village litter picks, refreshments and risk assessments. Agreed dates of Sunday 25th March, Saturday 20th May and Saturday 9th September.

10) **Colour in the village**

Cllr Nuthall said she will sponsor the triangle near coffee on the green. More colour is wanted within the village. SPC Contact local business to see if they will sponsor a basket or flower bed within the village.

11) **Tap in the Cemetery**

Cllr Jenkinson has received various complaints from parishioners and has requested an additional tap to be installed as it is too heavy for them to carry water the distance. John Harding to get a quote for the work to be carried out.

12) **Street Lighting Quotations**

There are 6 street lights currently not working £2,198 to repair via Enerveo. An alternative supplier SparkX have quoted £1,783 to carry out the same work. Council unanimously approved spend, to fix all street lights based on the Enerveo quotation. However if SparkX come in cheaper then we go with the company offering the best price.

13) **Car Meet**



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The cars will not access the common when it is raining to ensure that the common is not churned up. Cllr Nuthall left the room, for the remaining councilors to discuss and vote. Council unanimously agreed.

14) Plaques for Trees

Cllr Jenkinson requested two plaques to be purchased. One for the Oak tree for the passing of the late Queen Elizabeth II and one for the cherry tree for the Queens Jubilee. Cllr Jenkinson to liaise with the clerk to arrange the purchase of the plaques.

15) Planning

- a. **23/05070/ADV – Application For: Display if new fascia with illuminated lettering with trough light and vinyl graphics to windows/doors –** Convenience Stores and Post Office, London House, Oxford Road, Stokenchurch, Buckinghamshire, HP14 3SX – Mr K Khaneja – No Objection
- b. **23/05101/FUL – Application For: Householder application for construction of part single, two storey side/rear extension following demolition of existing detached garage –** 69A Mill Road, Stokenchurch, Buckinghamshire, HP14 3TP – Mr L Hunt – No Objection, 2 abstentions
- c. **23/05087/CTREE – Application For: Fell x Eucalyptus (T1) - The**



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- Removal of condition 3 pursuant to permission 12/05457/VCDN (occupancy of No 1 to persons working in the agricultural or forestry industry) and the removal of condition 1 (time constraints for the occupancy of No 2 to persons working in equestrianism) with No. 2 remain under a restrictive occupancy for equine and agricultural workers - 1 & 2 Dairy Cottages, Cooper Court Road, Stokenchurch, Buckinghamshire, HP14 3UE – B & L Emmett LLP – No Objection**
- e. **22/08357/FUL – Application For: Householder application for construction of a part single, part two storey rear extension, single side front extension, 1 x dormer window to front and rear (2 in total) to facilitate loft conversion – 41 Mill Road, Stokenchurch, Buckinghamshire, HP14 3TP – Mr and Mrs Goff – No Objection – 2 Abstention**
- f. **23/05069/FUL – Application For: Change of use from office (part) to convenience store and associated external alterations – Convenience Stores and Post Office, London House, Oxford Road, Stokenchurch, Buckinghamshire, HP14**



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Stokenchurch,
Buckinghamshire, HP14
3QB – Mr S Natarajan –
No Objection

- h. **23/05076/FUL –
Application For:
Installation of solar
panels along the
roofscapes of
the buildings – Tower
Farm, Oxford Road,
Stokenchurch,
Buckinghamshire, HP14
3TD – Stokenchurch
Dog Rescue – No
Objection**

16) Any other business (report only)

ClIr Preece would like to bring to the councils attention the works being varied out by the owners of Bangalore. We have received numerous complaints from Parishioners regarding the ongoing works in progress, without permissions and potential change of use. These have been passed over to the planning Enforcement department who will investigate.

ClIr Burnham reported some fly tipping that has been carried out near Mill Lane.

ClIr Thomas reported the Village Matters magazine is currently out for consultation with the NWCB and they should receive information regarding funding shortly.

ClIr Baker has received a complaint regarding the pedestrian crossing near Tesco, to say that they don't allow enough time to cross the road.

17) Items for next agenda

None



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