



STOKENCHURCH PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Meeting of the Parish Council held on Wednesday 4th May 2022 at 7.40 pm

Attendees: Cllr Nuthall (chair) Cllr Malcolm Penny (vice chair), Cllr Camilla Baker, Cllr Robin Thomas, Cllr Tracy Ramsden, Cllr Val Jenkinson, Cllr Matthew Jennings & Cllr Tracey Young

Buckinghamshire Councillors: None

Minutes: John Harding

Finance: Shelley Adnett

Members of the Public: 11 & Kirsty Shanahan

1. **Acceptance of apologies for absence**

Cllr Burnham, Cllr Preece
Buckinghamshire Cllrs Carl Etholen, Shade Adoh, Robert Carington Orsolya & Darren Hayday

2. **Declarations of interest (agenda items)**

Cllr Jennings Bills payable

3. **Election of Chairman**

Cllr Nuthall Proposed Cllr Penny
seconded Cllr Ramsden unanimously
approved

4. **Election of Vice-Chairman**

Cllr Penny Proposed Cllr Jenkinson
seconded Cllr Ramsden
unanimously approved

Meeting closed by Chair and opened to the public

A parishioner from Studley Green and her 13 year old daughter Shyla attended. Shyla gave a presentation giving reasons for installing a skate park at Studley Green near the community centre. A proposal for raising money for the skate park had been put together.

Shyla said that the A40 was difficult to cross to get the school bus. *I and others experience this every*



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received and her letter.

Cllr Nuthall said that a skate park had been investigated since 2012, and that Cllr Preece and herself had approached Cllr Etholen regarding the siting of one an approx. cost would be £150,000.

Shyla's mother said grants were available. Cllr Thomas offered to approach the community board and the sawmill trust was mentioned as a possible donor.

Cllr Penny stated that item 12 on the agenda was specifically about speed limits.

A parishioner complained that the churchyard was not being cut as previously. Cllr Ramsden complained that graves were not being cleared off. A parishioner reported that a solar light had been broken.

Cemetery committee meeting called for the 25th of May at 7.00PM

A resident of Rose Corner explained about the depth of the potholes to the track. Cllr Nuthall said a contractor had been contacted about the track to ensure any work carried out would not be undone by building traffic.

Cllr Baker stated that village green status extended to the property front doors and that the home office would have to change use. Parishioner also said a small contribution could be made towards the making good of the track.

Cllr Jennings asked if the office building (Quadrant) could be asked for a contribution.

Revised quotation to be obtained.

A parishioner spoke about putting the skate park just beyond the football ground at Studley Green and toilets at Studley Green.

The parishioner also asked about the area of land belonging to Red Kite at the bottom of Eastwood for a community orchard Cllr Jenkinson



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will be on the 31st of May. It will include contact information, list of clubs etc, would also like some historical interest.

Has contacted cricket club, vets and would like some Parish Council input. Magazines to be left in the library and various other locations. Asked if the council could help the printing could done for approx. £290, which could possibly be subsidised by advertising. The 1st edition will be in black & white. There has been some local opposition.

The July magazine would focus on the fete

Cllr Penny said there were approximately 1,800 properties in the village. Cllr Jennings said to liaise with parish website.

Cllr Jennings proposed paying the £290 for both first and second editions Secoded Cllr Ramsden unanimously approved.

Two allotment holders attended the meeting. They were concerned about opening the gate for deliveries. They asked about the Allotment Association taking over. Cllr Jennings stated it would probably need six people to run this. The allotment holder said that there would not be enough support for this.

Cllr Penny reiterated that the allotment association and Parish Council were separate, and that the allotment association did not have enough support.

The allotment holders said plot holders did not realise the difference between the allotment association and the Parish Council. Cllr Baker said the allotments were the responsibility of the Parish Council any allotment association was the responsibility of the plot holders.

Cllr Penny said that the Chinnor model for the allotments would not



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All allotment holders to be written to and a meeting called for the 8th of June at 7.00PM

Kirsty Shanahan gave a presentation to the council. She had carried out a site visit to the hall the previous Friday. Just a broad brush stroke exploration. Kirsty is Buckinghamshire Community Energy and said there are providers available. The purpose of the possible feasibility survey is to “green” the hall and cut running costs. Action on the hall would be good equivalent to six houses energy use. The storage heaters are approaching the end of their useful life. Installing air source heat pumps would save 2/3rds electricity input, some of which can be offset by solar panels. If there is a lot of evening use of the hall, energy could be stored in batteries, these now have a life of 15 – 20 years. There would be a community share offer for the electricity generated. Cllr Baker said she had heard varying reports on the efficiency of the solar cells.

Kirsty explained the next stage was to do nothing or have a feasibility study. The energy certificate needed updating and is currently F. Action now could save 50 – 70% on energy bills.

Kirsty has worked previously at Haddenham village hall, Studley Green & carried out various works for Buckinghamshire Council. Cllr Jennings queried if the CIL levy could be used to help fund the works.

The council thanked Kirsty for her presentation

Meeting re-opened 9.05PM

5. Council appointments

Committees

Finance :- Cllr Nuthall, Cllr Preece, Cllr Baker, Cllr Jennings, Cllr Young & Cllr Penny



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:- Cllr Baker, Cllr Thomas, Cllr Burnham & Cllr Penny
 Educational Charity (4-year term)
 :- Cllr Baker
 Memorial Hall Social Club:-
 :- Cllr Nuthall & Cllr Ramsden
 Local Area Forum/community board
 :- Cllr Thomas
 Community Centre Studley Green
 :- Vacant
 PPG
 :- Cllr Preece & Cllr Young
 Sawmill Trust
 :- Cllr Jennings
 HR Committee
 :- Cllr Nuthall & Cllr Jenkinson
 Longburrow Hall
 (Includes day centre, youth club)
 :- Cllr Jenkinson, Cllr Ramsden, Cllr Burnham, Cllr Baker
 Health & Safety(including covid)
 :- Cllr Preece & Cllr Jennings
 Open Spaces
 :- Removed
 Play areas Stokenchurch
 :- Cllr Nuthall, Cllr Jenkinson, Cllr Burnham
 Studley Green :-
 Cllr Nuthall
 Streetlights Stokenchurch
 :- Cllr Preece, Cllr Burnham
 Studley Green :-
 Vacant
 Footpaths
 :- Removed
 Neighbourhood plan
 :- Cllr Nuthall, Cllr Thomas, Cllr Baker Cllr Young &

Cllr
Jenkinson

Planning :- Cllr
Preece, Cllr Penny, Cllr Young

6. To confirm Minutes of 6th of April

Add Raven Copse as Cllr Preece email.
 Proposed Cllr Ramsden seconded
 Cllr Jenkinson unanimously approved



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Minutes to be approved at next finance meeting

10. Finance

Bills Payable

Proposed Cllr Ramsden seconded
Cllr Penny unanimously approved
(Cllr Jennings abstained)

Monthly Accounts

Proposed Cllr Thomas seconded
Cllr Jenkinson unanimously approved

11. Allotments

A meeting inviting all allotment holders to be held second Wednesday in June

12. Speed restrictions

A 30 MPH speed restriction to Studley Green to be investigated and possible crossing point. Marlow Road Stokenchurch already being investigated as part of B482 feasibility study and speed limit assessment.

13. Flags

Cllr Penny proposed that the union flag be flown on the Queens official birthday, Jubilee, Remembrance Day & Remembrance Sunday. St Georges Day (English flag) & Armed Forces Day the armed forces flag. Ukrainian flag to be flown until the Jubilee and on the 23rd of August. Proposed Cllr Penny seconded Cllr Jennings unanimously approved

14. Emergency plan

Had been circulated to all councillors some comments received and incorporated. 1,825 to be delivered with Chiltern view @ £40 per thousand. Proposed Cllr Jenkinson seconded Cllr Baker unanimously approved

15. Policies & Procedures

All policies and procedures readopted from this meeting Proposed Cllr Baker seconded Cllr Thomas unanimously approved Standing order for the clerk to have a £500 spend limit Proposed Cllr



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been agreed to ring fence £15,000 for possible legal fees

17. **Streetlight**

Quotation for replacement LED lantern to column 187 Slade Road approved @ £378.03 Proposed Cllr Thomas seconded Cllr Ramsden unanimously approved

18. **Planning**

22/05665/TPO | Reduce by maximum 4m in height and spread and crown lift above garden for 2.5m clearance for preventative maintenance x 1 Horse Chestnut | Land Between Hall Access Road And Storage Building Park Lane Stokenchurch

Buckinghamshire **BY: Mr Rafael Nombela**

Planning application flawed should be withdrawn or revised Proposed Cllr Thomas seconded Cllr Baker unanimously approved

19. **Timber posts**

The contractor who is carrying out the work has been injured, it is hoped that he will be able to recommence in July

20. **Timber trail and teacup**

Timber trail re-submitted and in planning. Cricket club to be informed of location.

21. **Potholes**

This year works to Rose Corner to be carried out. Work to Cricket Ground Lane next year.

22. **Community funding/village centre flower planters etc**

Carry over to the next meeting.

23. **Youth Club**

Cllr Jenkinson reported that there were up to 50 now attending. A new treasurer had taken over and the bank account is now healthy. Shelley the RFO was thanked for her work.

24. **Broadband**

Cllr Jennings reported that a new broadband provider had commenced work. They will be



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would be payable and that a donation would be made to the charity by the council.

26. Items for next agenda

None

A parishioner commented that he had seen the electric meter at Studley Green showing input from the solar cells

Meeting closed 10.00 pm
Next meeting APM 11th of May
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