

The MINUTES of the meeting of
held on Tuesday 14th September 2021 at 7.00pm
at Stoughton Village Hall

Present: Cllr Bob Battey (BB) (Chair)
Cllr Tom Richardson (TR) (Vice Chair)
Cllr Mrs June Sparrow (JS)
Cllr Paul Cresswell (PC)
Cllr Mrs Tracey Mee (TM)
Clerk Karen Giddens (KG)
4 Parishioners present

83/21 Welcome and introductions and Chairs opening remarks.
Chair BB welcomed all to the meeting.

84/21 Apologies for absence
None received.

85/21 Declarations of Members Interests.
There were no declarations of Interest.

86/21 Parishioners Comments
The Parishioners present wished to raise the issue of speeding through the village.

87/21 Approval of the minutes of the previous meeting held on 13.07.2021.
Approved.

88/21 To review any actions from the minutes of the meeting on 13.07.2021
The fences backing onto the recreation area has been repaired. The branches by Sandybank cottage have been removed and 23 Gaulby Lane is an agenda item.

89/21 23 Gaulby Lane
The Chairman raised the concerns that the enforcement order on the wall at 23 Gaulby Lane have not been progressed. Proposed that Clerk draft a letter to send to Senior Planning Enforcement Officer at H.D.C. Draft to be circulated to Councillors for approval.
Agreed by All

90/21 Recreation Grass Cutting 2022 - 2026
To agree the timescales for the Grass Cutting contract.

Resolved - The date to send out the invitations to quote was agreed as no later than 15th October 2021 with an agreed date of return no later than 12 noon on the 03rd December 2021. The evaluation of quotations deadline would be 11th January 2022 with the award of contract no later than 01.02.2022. The start date of the contract agreed as 1st April 2022.

91/21 Savills – Recreation Area

The prospective purchase of the land known as Stoughton Recreation Ground which is currently on a 125 year lease until 2129 was discussed. The land which extends to approximately 3.753 acres and the land adjacent to the to the leasehold land approximately 0.241 acres is included in the freehold. The total area of both parcels of land is approximately 3.944 acres. 3 options were discussed:

- i) Continue with lease.
- ii) Continue with lease and purchase small area of land.
- iii) Purchase all of land.

Purchasing the land is in the interests of the village as it is protecting the recreation area in the village for future generations

Resolved – All agreed to the proposed purchase of the total area of both parcels of land. The offer to be submitted by 28th September was agreed at £2500.00.

92/21 Aeroclub Meeting

Minutes of meeting approved.

93/21 Financial Matters

- a. To approve payments detailed in expenditure.
Approved.
- b. To Approve amendment of Standing Order of Clerks Salary.
Approved.
- c. To approve Bank Reconciliation to 05.09.2021
Approved

Balance per bank statements as of 3rd September 2021	£9826.55
Plus, unrepresented cheques as of 3 rd September 2021	£0.00
Plus, unbanked cash as of 3 rd September	£0.00
Net Balance as of 3 rd of September	£9826.55

Opening balance 31 st March 2021	£9610.84
Add receipts to 3 rd September 2021	£4235.00
Total	£13845.84

Less Payments to 3 rd September 2021	£4019.29
Closing Balance as per cashbook as of 3rd September	£9826.55

94/21 Speeding in Stoughton

Leicester Leicestershire and Rutland Partnership County Council. The Leicestershire County Council have over the years added 20mph signs, humps in the road and more recently dragons teeth to help with speed reduction. None appear to have worked, the Parish Council have their own speed indicator device to record speeds when a motorist is entering the village. The device flashes the speed above 20 mph. Chairman (BB) has written to the recently appointed Police Commissioner to which a response has been received and a follow up response from the local PC.

Excessive speed is a particular issue when entering the village on Gaulby Lane past the Church, also Church Lane from Thurnby Lane and when entering the village past the turning for Old Charity Farm. Another concern is that every time the road is resurfaced the humps become less efficient.

Resolved to: Contact the Leicester Leicestershire and Rutland Road Safety Partnership.

95/21 To approve the annual playground inspection.

Resolved: Clerk to book the annual unaccompanied Playground Inspection with Wicksteed.

96/21 Playground monthly visual inspection Report

Fence that was an area of concern has been repaired.

97/21 To note any Planning matters.

21/01262/NMA DEL/NWH - 09.07.21 Stoughton (WARD: Thurnby and Houghton)

Enlargement of existing window to front and change from brick porch to an open timber porch with reduced size (proposed non-material amendments to 19/01692/FUL), 9 Church Lane, Stoughton (464106 302195) - **No action required.**

21/01513/FUL DEL/NPA - 25.08.21 Stoughton (WARD: Thurnby and Houghton)

Mr Jag Basra Erection of a garage and vehicular gates, The Coppice, 20 Stoughton Lane Stoughton (463608 302392).

Resolved: Clerk to raise objection.

98/21 Annual LRALC and L.C.C. Annual Parish Liaison meeting.

L.C.C. meeting cancelled until 4th July 2022. No one able to attend LRALC A.G.M.

99/21 To consider purchase of Gazebos.

No decision made. Deferred until next spring season.

100/21 To consider purchase of Daffodil bulbs to be planted around the village.

Approved – Agreed £25.00

101/21 To consider purchase of 'Be prepared for the unexpected signs'

To date unable to locate where signs can be purchased from.

Ongoing

102/21 Date of next meeting – 09^h November 2021.

Thank you received from Councillors and Parishioners for the success of the Fete Letter of Thanks to be sent to the fete Village Fete Committee.

Meeting Closed at 20:45pm