

## **STAUNTON-ON-WYE GROUP PARISH COUNCIL**

Minute of meeting held on 7 December 2015 in the Staunton-on-Wye Village Hall.

Present – A Powles (Chairman ), A Andrews, E Pearson-Gregory, N Sellar, P Pantall, R Skyrme. There were three members of the public present.

**28. Apologies for absence** – J Mason, D Andrews

**29. Declaration of Interests** - None

**30. Minutes of meeting held on 14 September 2015** – The Minutes were approved and signed by the Chairman as an accurate record.

**31. Matters Arising** – There were no matters arising.

**32. Presentation by Heloise Kirby of the proposed Parish Council website -**

H Kirby wrote to the Parish Council outlining the progress that she had made in developing the Parish Council website. It was agreed that the current structure and the use of Wordpress were acceptable. H Kirby has agreed to oversee the development of the website.

It was further agreed that a list of Parish Councilors will be provided on the website and that links will be made with the Village Hall Committee, Pre-School, and the Playground. The Clerk will provide H Kirby with copies of Minutes, Agenda and local photographs.

**33. Planning Matters -**

**Decisions made since last meeting -**

132304 – Permission has been granted for the application

**New applications -**

153333 – Proposed variation of condition 9 of planning permission on land at Oakchurch Farm, Staunton on Wye. Concern was expressed within the debate that there was insufficient information and detail before the Council. Concern was also expressed regarding suggested permanence of the structures. The Clerk was requested to organise a site meeting with the applicant in order that an informed decision may be made about the application.

153334 – Proposed variation of condition 9 of planning permission on land at Upper Norton Farm, Norton Canon. The recommendation was the same as for the previous application.

#### **34. Playing Field -**

A Andrews reported to the meeting that she had requested three quotes in respect of new equipment and fencing. A Andrews shared the detail contained within those quotes received. A Andrews has visited that playing field at Weobley to view the equipment and to make comparisons with that in place in the Staunton on Wye playing field.

The Clerk was requested to write to the Planning Department to ascertain the current situation regarding Section 106 money allocated for recreation in Staunton on Wye. Further a letter was requested to the Jarvis Charity with reference to the upkeep of the fence bordering the playing field.

A Andrews has agreed to approach Steve Williams to consider removal of play equipment that no longer meets requirements.

#### **35. Highway Matters including Lengthsman Scheme**

The Chairman reported that Lara Edwards ( Balfour Beatty ) had been escorted around the Parish to examine outstanding work. It was reported that some potholes had been filled however there were still a number of areas that required completion particularly drainage down the side of Scar lane and the clearing of a number of gullies and ditches.

The meeting was agreed that the Clerk should arrange another meeting with Lara Edwards in order that she could examine the outstanding work. Further her attention should be brought to the signs at the Portway which were obscuring the view of motorists, and the provision of a new salt bin close by the Chairman's house.

The Clerk was requested to contact the County Council to ascertain the current situation regarding the Lengthsman Scheme and to complete such assessment forms that may require completion.

#### **36. Neighbourhood Plan**

N Sellar reported to the meeting that the Section 16 consultation has been completed and that an independent person has been selected. Clare Wright will examine the plan and compile a report. N Sellar informed the meeting that this may be followed by a referendum. It is a possibility that Clare Wright may require revision of the plan. N Sellar will keep the Parish Council informed.

#### **37 General Correspondence -**

The Clerk informed the meeting that he had received a telephone call from a local resident expressing interest in the placement of a Defibrillator in Monnington on Wye. The issue was debated and it was agreed that the matter would be pursued if the residents of the village were interested.

E Pearson-Gregory agreed to ascertain if residents were interested and to report back to the next meeting.

**38. Finance -**

The Clerk informed the Parish Council of the current financial situation.

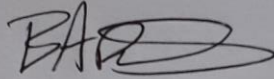
**39. Any Other Business -**

Mr P Dyke informed the Parish Council that he would be interested in filling the current vacancy for a Parish Councillor. The Clerk was asked to complete the necessary forms with Mr Dyke.

The Chairman informed the meeting that he would report back to the next meeting upon the future of the Mowing Club.

Date of next meeting – Monday 22 February 2016 – 7.30

Meeting closed at 8.58

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