

STAUNTON ON WYE GROUP PARISH COUNCIL

The Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on the **11 SEPTEMBER 2017** in the Staunton on Wye Village Hall commencing at 7.30pm.

Present – A Powles (Chair), N Sellar, J Mason, E Pearson-Gregory, R Skyrme, A Andrews . There were three members of the public present including Steve Hardcroft as a representative of the Jarvis Charity.

Mr Hardcroft , at the request of the Parish Council , spoke about the sale of the “old school” and various educational grants. He spoke further about the maintenance of the almshouses and the Jarvis Charity outreach into the community.

16. Apologies for absence – P Pantall , D Andrews , P Dyke

17. Declarations of Interest - None

18. Minutes of Meeting held on 8 May 2017 – were approved and signed by the Chairman.

19. Matters Arising – The Clerk was asked to contact the Marches Housing regarding the “ sleeping policeman “ which was still causing problems on the roadway outside the playground in Staunton on Wye.

20. Planning Matters -

Decisions made at the last meeting –
171920 – Agreed

New Applications

173016 – Florence House , Staunton on Wye.

It was agreed that the Clerk would submit a general comment to the Planning Department in respect of this application. The Clerk would bring the attention of the Planning Officer to Section SOWD2 of the Neighbourhood Plan which related to (1) the design and use of materials (2) the usage of external materials which would blend in with those materials used in surrounding house ; and (3) the requirement that energy efficient components should be used.

The matter of the Old Court at Brobury was raised and discussed again. The Clerk informed the meeting that Cllr Roger Phillips is now pursuing issues raised by the Parish Council on behalf of the Parish Council.

36 – Highway Matters -

- A request was made that the drains be cleared downhill from Brobury House to the bridge and that further the potholes be attended. The Clerk agreed to bring those concerns to the attention of Balfour Beatty. The Clerk was asked to also bring to the attention of Balfour Beatty the condition of potholes throughout the Parish area.

It was agreed that double white lines at the crossroad were required and such a view should be made to the County Council.

37. Parish Council Website -

Planning applications are being forwarded by a member of the Parish Council to Heloise for presentation on the website. Minutes and Agenda will be forwarded to Heloise by the Clerk when such are agreed by the Chairman on behalf of the Committee. It has been agreed that Heloise Kirby will maintain and oversee the website.

38. General Correspondence -

The Clerk informed the meeting that he had received an item of correspondence inviting him to a meeting, and with other Parish Clerks, to meet with Cllr Phillips, representatives of Balfour Beatty, and representatives of the County Council Planning Office. The Clerk informed the meeting that he would report back the outcome of the meeting to the next Parish Council meeting.

39. Defibrillator -

The only issue raised was the placement of a light to be placed over the defibrillator. The Chairman informed the meeting that he would look to find an electrician able to complete this task.

40. Footpaths

The Footpaths Officer had not been able to attend meetings recently however he had informed the Clerk that Balfour Beatty had provided a number of sign posts as he had requested.

41. Finance -

The Clerk informed the meeting of the current financial situation and circulated a written financial update. The Clerk further informed the meeting that he had spoken to Karen Jones, of Herefordshire County Council, regarding the proposed precept of £3,000. The Parish Council agreed that such an amount be requested as the precept for 2018 / 2019.

An invoice for V8 had been received. It was agreed that HALC should be pursued in respect of this matter.

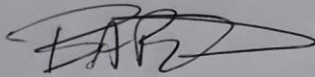
42 - Other Matters -

- The Clerk was asked to approach Balfour Beatty about a number of fallen trees that had fallen close to the roadway during the recent snowfall.

The Clerk was asked to ascertain, from Balfour Beatty, a clear date for the closure of Bredwardine Bridge in order that such information may be circulated to the public. Members of the Parish Council are aware of the significant number of members of the public who use the bridge on a daily basis and they will require a clear period of notice.

Next Meeting - Monday 5 March 2018

Meeting closed at 8.50pm

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'EAPZ', written in a stylized, cursive script.