



MINUTES OF THE STRATTON AUDLEY PARISH COUNCIL
ON TUESDAY 9 APRIL 2013 AT 7PM
AT THE RED LION PUBLIC HOUSE

Present: Mr N Ferguson (Chair), Mr J Honsinger (JRH), Mr J Ormerod (JMO), Mrs H Smithers (HCS)

In attendance: Cllr Catherine Fulljames (until 7.30), Mr Anthony Flack, Mrs J Olds (Parish Clerk)

Apologies: Mr J Hill (JCGH)

1. Apologies for absence

The Councillors accepted Mr Hill's apologies.

2. Declarations of interest

There were no declarations of interest.

3. Public participation

Nothing was raised, but Mr Flack attended the whole meeting.

4. Minutes of the meeting held on Monday 25 March 2013

It was **RESOLVED** that these be accepted as a true copy and were signed by NF as a true record of proceedings.

5. Matters arising from the Minutes

a. 30 Signs / Elm Farm signs

The Clerk has confirmed with Mr Egawhary at OCC Highways that all the 30 roundels need repainting including the two further on on the Stoke Lyne and Bicester Roads and the Slow on the Launton Road. The wording for the Elm Farm sign has been approved and the Clerk has been reminded of Mr Egawhary's suggestion for a 'Tractors Turning' sign to be positioned on the 'Horse' warning sign which she will follow up.

b. Walk around the Village

JMO has walked round part of the village and taken photographs of issues which need raising including the gullies which have not been cleaned properly, the hole in the pavement and the deteriorating brick edging on the corner of Cherry Street / Cavendish Place and the holes in the pavement outside the Manor.

JMO expressed concern about the dry stone walls on the Stoke Lyne Road which are bulging and likely to fall apart. Whilst the Councillors are aware it is not the parish's responsibility, they asked the Clerk to investigate how to warn the owner so that repairs may be made.

c. Designating the Playground

Due to the shortness of time between meetings, the Clerk had not had an opportunity to follow up this, but would do it as soon as possible.

d. Dog Fouling Notice

The Clerk has put up the notice on the noticeboard and there appears to have been a reduction in the fouling around the village. However, it was noted that there was mess IN the playground, which not only is unpleasant, but not permitted.

e. Planned Events for the Year

Due to the shortness of time, the Councillors **RESOLVED** set a further date for the village tidy up day once interest had been gauged from the CLP launch and the Open Meeting.

The Councillors briefly discussed further thoughts about the village fete. It was felt that holding the village fete on the same day as the Church Open Gardens and Scarecrow weekend may not work this year because of the short timescale and because Hethe is holding their Dog Show that weekend.

6. Report from District and County Councillors

Cllr Wood had sent a press release about RAF Bicester. The Councillors noted that the site has been purchased by 'Bicester Heritage' and asked that the Clerk invite them to the Open Meeting.

Cllr Fulljames had nothing to report.

7. Finance

a. To receive the financial report

The Clerk had not received the final bank statement for the year, but once all the cheques have cleared the account will stand at £9,388.40 at the Year End.

The Clerk has posted the cheque for £4,500 to the Co-op to open the account.

b. To consider invoices for payment

There were no invoices for payment

8. Community Led Plan

The Councillors **RESOLVED** to accept the quotation of £16 for the printing of 350 A5 double sided flyers and asked the Clerk to proceed with the flyer with one additional change. The Clerk will arrange for the flyers to be printed and delivered to the Councillors for distribution over the weekend of 13 / 14 April ready for the Launch on Tuesday 30 April.

The Councillors **RESOLVED** to apply for a grant to assist with the launch.

The Clerk will produce a poster for the noticeboard, HCS will take some flyers to the pub and talk to the Hunt. The Clerk will contact the Church.

9. Speed Check

JMO had looked at the data and presented the statistics for the Councillors to read and discuss at a future meeting. One significant point was that the vast majority of people driving down Mill Road into the village were greatly exceeding the speed limit. The Clerk will ask Highways for advice.

10. Parish Matters not otherwise mentioned in Matters Arising

There were no other Parish matters.

11. Planning Applications - to note recent Applications and Notices of Decision

The following Notice of Decision has been received:

13/000048/TCA, T1 x Conifer – Fell; Ms Rosemary Farmery, Rose Villa, 17 Cavendish Place.

12. Correspondence received

The Councillors noted the correspondence received.

- a. **CDC – Strategic Planning & the Economy.** Criteria and implementation of Register of Local Heritage Assets which the Clerk would circulate for a response by 10 May.

13. Reports from meetings

No meetings had been attended

14. Any other business – for information or next Agenda only

There was no further business.

15. Date of next meeting – Tuesday 14 May 2013 at 7pm, the Annual General Meeting of the Parish Council followed by the Annual Parish (Open) Meeting at 8pm to be held in Church.

The meeting closed at 8.20pm

Signed

Dated