

# Minutes of the Stratton Audley Parish Council on Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> August 2017

Present: Mr J Honsinger (Chairman), Mr A Flack, Mr S Hopkins

**Apologies:** Ms C Lloyd and Mr G Nicholson Cllr B Wood (CDC) and Cllr I Corkin (CDC/OCC)

In Attendance:

Members of the public: None

#### 73. Declarations of interest

None

#### **Clir Lloyd**

The Chairman advised the meeting that Cllr Lloyd had sustained serious injuries in an accident earlier in the week. All Councillors agreed to send her their very best wishes for a speedy recovery.

## 74. Minutes of the meeting of 5th July 2017

The Council agreed that the Minutes of the meeting of the 5<sup>th</sup> July 2017 were an accurate record of the proceedings.

## 75. Progress on Parish matters

### a) Facebook

Facebook is being updated and appears to be reaching a number of residents.

## b) Horses and cyclist signs

OCC have been sent a plan indicating suggested locations. The Clerk was asked to chase OCC for a progress report.

## c) Kerb stones

The damaged kerbstones reported to OCC following the last meeting have now been replaced, and OCC have been thanked for their speedy action.

## d) Speeding traffic on the Bicester Road

While speed limits changes could be expensive, the Parish agreed that it would like to pursue (cheaper) features – such as moving the entry gates, the placement of additional rumble strips in the road and other traffic calming measures.

### e) Cycleway

The Council agreed to discuss with Cllr Corkin opportunities to construct a cycleway when further nearby development takes place, and would also like to explore with him enhanced opportunities for recreation adjacent to the Village.

## 76. Finance

The Council noted the monthly report contained in Appendix 1 and authorised the following payments:-

Cheque Number	Payee	Reason	Amount
500396	St John Ambulance	1 <sup>st</sup> aid training	156.00
500397	The Red Lion	Room hire	20.00
500398	Mrs A Davies	Cl salary and expenses	164.65
500399	HMRC	CI tax	76.60
500400	M Gore	Mowing /playground	212.50
500451	Parish Council websites	Domain name	210.00
500452	J Honsinger	Printing/expenses	89.59
500393	S Hopkins	Paint/printing	14.92

## 77. Community Transport

Ongoing.

#### 78. Emergency Plan/Resilience Grant

Cllr Stewart Hopkins has completed a First Aid Training Course and is now qualified and insured First Aider, able to provide refresher 1<sup>st</sup> Aid training to interested residents. The Parish Council has recently purchased defibrillator pads suitable for use on children, and has also purchased a CPR training manikin. Information about First Aid training will be circulated to all residents in a leaflet drop and further training sessions will be held for additional volunteers.

The Parish Council agreed to supply some notices (to be located at strategic points around the village) indicating the location of the defibrillator.

### 79. Facebook/Website

The Parish Council has recently created a Paypal account which can be accessed either via the web site or by sending money to <a href="mailto:Strattonaudly.parishclerk@gmail.com">Strattonaudly.parishclerk@gmail.com</a>.

The Clerk is aware that there is some software that would enable the Parish Council to automatically update Facebook and Twitter when it updates its website. She agreed to make further enquiries.

## 80. SSE

Parts of the village have recently experienced a power cut, without warning, when power was cut off for a period in excess of 1.5 hours. Residents who did not receive advance notice from SSE may be entitled to claim a fixed sum of £30 compensation for the loss of supply. Cllr Hopkins advised the meeting that he had contacted SSE to raise the issue, and, while he was not cut off and therefore entitled to make any claim he had been impressed by the responsiveness of Scottish and Southern Electricity.

## 81. Vehicle Activated Speed Signs

The Clerk has contacted 3 suppliers, and quotes suggest that a VAS could be bought for approximately £3000. All products are broadly similar, and the Chairman agreed to contact other Parish Councils to ascertain whether the sign had achieved the desired result. The Clerk was asked to check what permissions were needed to place a Vas on street furniture.

#### 82. Road Maintenance

The Clerk was asked to report the pothole at the top of the Bicester Road.

### 83. Un-metalled footpaths and bridleways

Cllr Hopkins has now enrolled more volunteers to monitor the state of the public footpaths around the village. He has reported concerns about the surface of footpath 371/7 (from the Church to the kennels) a missing stile on footpath 371/5 (off the Stoke Lyne Road) and repairs needed to the bridge on 371/1 from the Pond towards Stratton Audley park. It was agreed that it would be desirable for some footpaths to be resurfaced.

#### 84. Bins on the Bicester Road

The Parish Council noted that a resident had raised concerns that bins put out for collection were not being taken in, and had suggested that the CDC waste collection lorry should be asked to go to the houses and collect from bins that would therefore remain in situ. Investigation by the Chairman suggested that bins were not collected from the houses at the request of residents. The Clerk was asked to ascertain whether CDC had a policy on waste bins left on the public highway.

#### 85. CLP update

The next CLP event is Ferret racing on 1<sup>st</sup> September in The Barn from 6.30pm. There are a number of sponsors on board, although more are desirable. Tickets are being sold for the event, which will include a fish and chip supper, and there will be a licensed bar and raffle. Flyers and posters have been printed, there will be signage on the A4421 and neighbouring villages will be leafleted. Volunteers are needed to help with the event.

### 86. Planning Applications

 Replacement single storey sun room extension, replacement single storey rear extension, new roof to existing two storey rear extension, and internal alterations.

The Plough House Mill Road Stratton Audley Bicester OX27 9BJ

Ref. No: 17/01518/F

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Ref. No: 17/01519/LB

No objections.

<u>Change of Use from B1 to D1, installation of external condenser units & compressor and changes to the approved doors & windows.</u>

Unit 9 Willows Gate Stoke Lyne Road Stratton Audley Bicester OX27 9AU

Ref. No: 17/01426/F

No objection unless adjoining residents express concerns

**87. Correspondence received** - to note any correspondence received not otherwise on the agenda where decisions are not required.

The Parish Council has been advised that CDC is proposing to increase its number of Councillors from 5-7, and this proposal is currently out to consultation. All Councillors supported the proposal unanimously, as it would spread the work load among a greater number of colleagues, and would also ensure that meetings would rarely be inquorate ( when they could not take any legal decisions as there were fewer than 3 Councillors present). The consultation is on the Website, and the Clerk will put the information of the Facebook page.

88. Reports from meetings - to receive any reports; for information.

None

## 89. Items for information or next Agenda

### 90. Date of next meeting

The next meeting will be Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> September 2017 at 7pm in Red Lion PH. As the Clerk will be on holiday the first week in October, the Council agreed that the October meeting would take place on Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> October 2017.

Please note the new numbering system for items in the minutes. They now run on sequentially from one month to the next across each statutory year and then begin again from no.1 at the start of the new financial year.

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Stratton Audley	tratton Audley Parish Council		Monthly Financial Report	
		Parish Cou	ncil Meeting	07 June 2017
Douments proces	and aine	loot mooting		C4 400 22
Payments proces	sea since	e last meeting		£1,109.22
10-May-	17	Mrs A Davies	500371	£172.15
10-May-		HMRC	500372	£38.20
10-May-		Mike Gore	500374	£190.00
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10-May-		Came and co	500376	£462.78
10-May-	17	S Hopkins	500377	£56.09
Receipts process	ed since	previous report		£0.00
Bank Reconciliation		Stat	ement dated	04 June 2017
		Savings Account		£1.4 000 20
		Current account		£14,088.39 £4,222.61
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Items not	yet clear	ea: 		
Receipts	None			
Payments		Community First Oxon		£35.00
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			Net Total	£18,276.00