



Minutes of the Stratton Audley Parish Council on Wednesday 2nd May 2018

Present: Mr J Honsinger (Chairman), Mr A Flack Mr S Hopkins, Mr G Nicholson and Mr M Hedgecox.

Apologies: Cllr B Wood (CDC) Cllr I Corkin (CDC councillor and also OCC)

In Attendance: Mr J Edwards (Parish Councillor elect)

Members of the public: None

16. Declarations of interest

None.

17. Minutes of the meeting of 4th April 2018

The Council agreed that the Minutes of the meeting of the 4th April 2018 were an accurate record of the proceedings.

18. Progress on Parish matters

Vehicles activated speed sign.

The Vehicle Activated Speed sign has been put up on the Bicester Road, and has been well received by residents. It was agreed that the Council would order another set of brackets so that it could be moved easily to another location.

Overgrown hedges/other village matters

Most overgrown hedges have now been cut back – Cllr Hopkins has written to the last resident. The Chairman has been advised that the wall in Cherry Street will be repaired, and the culvert in Mill Lane will be cleared out.

Commercial Vehicle

The Parish Council is still pursuing the issue on behalf of the many residents who have complained about its continued presence occupying the same place most of the time .

Playground repairs

The Chairman has asked the playground contractor to carry out some minor remedial works.

GDPR

The Clerk has drafted a Privacy Notice to go on the web site, and the Chairman will email residents to advise them of their right to unsubscribe to the Village email list.

4. Finance

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

<i>Cheque Number</i>	<i>Payee</i>	<i>Reason</i>	<i>Amount</i>
500562	Motorola	resilience	129.58
500563	J Honsinger	Raffle tickets	170.00
500564	Push Start Marketing	advert	60.00
500565	CDC	Dog bins	144.14
500566	Vistaprint	printing	426.26
500567	Mrs A Davies	CI salary and expenses	128.68
500568	HMRC	CI tax	78.20

500569	cancelled		
500570	Bicester print	printing	48.00
500571	Came and company	insurance	531.29

19. Road Maintenance

The Clerk was asked to make enquiries about OCC's criteria for filling potholes

20. Bus through the Village

CLLr Nicholson reported that he had visited the coach company, who had indicated that they were currently satisfied with the way the service is operating though Stratton Audley.

21. Unmetalled footpaths and bridleway

CLLr Hopkins will be carrying out work to improve the footpath by the Manor.

22. CLP update

The Festival is on track – with publicity starting with a door drop soon. The parish Council agreed to purchase an additional speaker and connection lead, which would be available for future events.

23. Planning

Decisions

[Erection of detached dwelling house including demolition of existing single garage](#)

Land Adj To West Cottages Bicester Road Stratton Audley

Ref. No: 18/00278/F – refused for the following reasons:-

The application site lies beyond the built up limits of the village. Furthermore the proposal does not represent infilling or conversion within the built limits of a Category C settlement. Therefore the proposal is contrary to the Councils rural housing strategy, as outlined in Policies ESD1 and Policy Villages 1 of the Cherwell Local Plan Part 1 (2015) and Saved Policy H18 of the Cherwell Local Plan 1996, which seeks to deliver the housing growth in the district in the most sustainable manner and government guidance in the National Planning Policy Framework which seeks to encourage sustainable patterns of growth.

2 The proposed development, by virtue of its siting, relationship with the pattern of development and design, would detrimentally impact on the character and appearance of the Conservation Area and result in 'less than substantial harm' to the character and appearance of Stratton Audley Conservation Area and the settling of the neighbouring terrace of locally listed buildings (non-designated heritage assets). The public benefits stemming from the proposal do not outweigh this harm. The proposal is therefore contrary to Policy ESD15 of the Cherwell Local Plan Part 1 (2015), Saved Policies C28 and C30 of the Cherwell Local Plan 1996 and government guidance in the National Planning Policy Framework.

3 The proposed development would fail to provide adequate levels of parking within the curtilage of the site to serve the existing dwelling. As a result, the proposed development would be likely to increase inappropriate on street parking resulting in highway safety and traffic concerns. The proposal is therefore contrary to Policy ESD15 of the Cherwell Local Plan Part 1 and Government guidance contained within Section 4 of the National Planning Policy Framework.

Following this decision the Council asked the Clerk to seek an explanation from CDC for the difference in approach to this application and the initial decision on

[Removal of double garage and erection of attached dwelling with access and parking - Re-submission of 17/02185/F](#)

2 Garden Cottages Bicester Road Stratton Audley Bicester OX27 9BT
Ref. No: 18/00462/F.

The Clerk was asked to chase up an answer from the Planning department regarding their interpretation of what constitutes infill in the opinion of their department as two current applications in the same road are being treated differently. Whilst accepting that all planning applications are open to the Case Officer's own interpretation of the rules, the Chairman felt that an answer should be forthcoming as to why within one department it is not possible for them to apply a degree of consistency in terms of their judgments.

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

OCC Update

CDC Parish Liaison – 20th June 2018

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

The Clerk reported attendance at a meeting organised by Cllr Corkin about rural transport.

26. Items for information or next Agenda

By 14th May please.

27. Date of next meeting

The Annual Parish Council meeting (to deal with election of Chairman and Vice Chairman as required by the Local Government Act 1972) will take place at 7.00pm on 9th May 2018 in the Red Room of the Red Lion PH.

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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