

STOKE FLEMING PARISH COUNCIL

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A meeting of the Parish Council was held on Wednesday 7th September 2016 in the Village Hall at 7.00 pm

Present: Councillors Katie Franks (Chairman) Mary Newman (Vice Chairman)
Paul Bond David Harris
Martin Judd Struan Coupar
Hazel Smith
County Councillor Julian Brazil
Parish Clerk Marion Foster
Three members of the public

240. APOLOGIES

Cllrs Wood, Wreford-Brown & District Cllr Hicks

241. MINUTES

Minutes of the last Parish Council Meeting held on Wednesday, 3rd August 2016, had been circulated and read. Cllr Smith proposed and Cllr Harris seconded that the minutes be accepted. Cllr Newman proposed and Cllr Judd seconded that the Site Planning Meeting Minutes of 3rd, 10th, 16th and 25th August 2016 be accepted. All were in agreement and all minutes were signed as a true record.

242. MATTERS ARISING

Re: Planning Application No. 1618/16/VAR (Ferris Builders Yard) SHDC Development Management Committee had met this afternoon, Cllr Smith had represented Stoke Fleming PC, a further site meeting had been arranged for the 19th September. Final decision date: 28th September 2016

243. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

None

244. PUBLIC QUESTION TIME

Mr Bob Harvey, working with the Devon Hedge Group and the NFU, gave a brief presentation on the improvement of Devon hedges. He asked for the PC's support to encourage farmers not to flail too hard/leave flailing for a period of years, allowing hedges to thicken, thereby providing protection for animals, more feed for nesting birds, together with long-term production of firewood. Mr Harvey encouraged a representative of the PC to attend the AONB meeting in December on the Protection of Landscape. Mr James Jenkison, acting on behalf of the Solar Farm at Hemborough Post, spoke to the meeting with reference to an application to be put forward with regard to extending the life of this Solar Farm a further ten years to 2050. There followed a short discussion on solar farms together with information on updated solar panel technology which would probably negate the development of any further solar farms. Mr Barry Clark addressed the meeting on the subject of protecting the Village Boundary, i.e. planning matters and forward planning of houses. He requested that since the new requirement of the Joint Local Plan is for far less development here than the external development boundary of the Village not be extended. Mr Clark went on to express the poor management and working of South Hams District Council, especially within the Planning Department.

245. COUNTY COUNCILLOR'S REPORT

County Cllr Brazil confirmed that school students aged 17 and 18 years would in future be charged £580 per annum for school transport. Cllr Brazil congratulated Stoke Fleming on their Village Horticultural and Sports show which he had been invited to open, a very enjoyable event and a great reflection on the Village and its community as a whole.

Cllrs raised criticisms received with regard to road-sweeping carried out in the Village and its poor value for money, and the dangers highlighted previously with regard to sunken and poorly maintained manhole covers, especially on the road close to Blackpool Sands.

246. DISTRICT COUNCILLOR'S REPORT

No report

247. COMMUNITY

(a) Reported Problems - none.

(b) Police Report - none.

(c) Dog bins - A new bin had been erected at the end of Rectory Lane, Councillors could not understand why the new bin had not been fixed to the old post, it had now narrowed the footpath, and requested that SHDC move it to the old post. Henry's Halt bin appeared to have disappeared, it had been awaiting re-erection on its post. Cllr Harris had tried to contact SHDC on three separate occasions, left messages, but had received no reply.

(d) Possible Defibrillator for the village. Mr Barry Morris was exploring the placing of a Defibrillator and looking for support from the Parish Council towards the cost of the unit. A proposal was put to the meeting to match-fund the monies that Mr Morris raised, all were in agreement.

(e) Tribal Clash - report on event - request for next year's date of w/e of 29/30th July 2017. Cllr Newman reported that the event appeared to have been successful, team numbers had increased, therefore numbers attending had increased. Discussion was still on-going with regard to dates for next year. No problems had occurred surrounding Playing Field or Shower Block with regard to the parking or cleaning, the second deposit payment had been received and the final invoice covering the electricity/water and cleaning should be issued.

(f) Hort & Sport request to book 28th August 2017 - Cllrs agreed to the booking for next year's show and commented how successful the Show had been this year, overall a very positive day.

(g) Christmas Tree Festival tree sponsorship - Cllrs agreed to sponsor a tree again this year.

(h) Neighbourhood Plan - Cllrs felt there had been a marked improvement in support since the Joint Local Plan came into being and should lead to Neighbourhood Plans carrying more weight. It was important to move things along and finalise our Plan as soon as possible.

(i) Football Club and outstanding field hire and utility invoices - the meeting agreed that the Football Club should be requested to settle the outstanding invoices, (£200.00 rent, £93.92 in utilities contributions) within a fortnight or use of the Playing Field for matches would be withdrawn. The meeting also agreed that the football posts were in serious need of rubbing down and repainting to prolong their use. The Clerk and Chairman would contact the Secretary again.

(j) Stoke Fleming Primary School Liaison - a new Head Master had been appointed, the meeting agreed it was important to welcome him to the Village and set up contact for future liaison between the School and the PC. The Chairman to send a welcome letter.

248. ROADS & TRANSPORT

(a) Reported Problems - sunken manhole covers + road-sweeping covered in Minute 245 .

249. MAINTENANCE

(a) Reported Problems - weeds within the Play Park would be sprayed off on the next maintenance visit. The Chairman thanked Cllr Bond for trimming and clearing round the Bus Shelter at Hemborough Post.

(b) Tammy Hall, notice given on Toilet Cleaning Contract - Tammy had given her required two months notice. The meeting agreed to advertise the contract in the magazine and on notice boards.

(c) Ron's Corner - the meeting agreed that quotes for the necessary heavy work of digging, re-seeding, major clearing and carting away should be sought. Cllr Newman would make a list of the work required. The meeting also agreed to purchase more bulbs for Pegs Copse and other areas within the Village.

250. PLANNING

APPLICATIONS

Higher Bowden Farm, Road from Ash House Farm to Bowden Cross, Bowden, Devon, TQ6 0LH

2198/16/FUL Conversion of leisure building into single dwelling

21 Deer Park Road, Stoke Fleming, TQ6 0QW 2276/16/HHO Householder application for the erection of a single storey conservatory at rear of the property with modification and extension of existing lean-to to provide access to existing garage

Coombe Chalet, Shady Lane, Stoke Fleming, TQ6 0PD 2435/16/CLE Application for a lawful development certificate for an existing use or operation of three chalets

The Paddock, Land at SX 864 487, South side of Redlap Lane, Stoke Fleming. TQ6 0QU 2462/16/FUL
READVERTISEMENT (Amended Site Address) New dwelling

DECISIONS

2 New Road, Stoke Fleming, TQ6 0NR. 1814/16/HHO Householder application for alterations to 2 no. existing windows on east elevation to create glazed doors with Juliette balconies on 2nd floor. Internal alterations and replace sliding doors with windows - Conditional Approval

34 Venn Way, Stoke Fleming, TQ6 0QJ. 1963/16/HHO Householder application for proposed single storey extension and internal alterations - Conditional Approval

Beacon View, New Road, Stoke Fleming, TQ6 0PH. 1924/16/HHO Householder application for single and two storey extensions to dwelling (resubmission of approval 0316/16/HHO) - Conditional Approval

ENFORCEMENT CASES Current enforcement list update

A Cllr had queried the size of the Hillfield Village "For Sale" signs, X 3 at the end of Bugford Lane - the Clerk to report

251. FINANCE

a) BANK BALANCES

Santander	£13,596.10	Statement dated 6 th August 2016
Lloyds Bank	£17,768.75	Balance at 31/8/16

b) RECEIPTS

Tribal Clash	375.00	2nd Final Deposit
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Cllr Judd proposed and Cllr Coupar seconded that the following cheques be approved for signature, all were in agreement

c) ACCOUNTS TO BE PAID

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Nick Roberts	47.50	Shelter cleaning
Tammy Hall	108.83	Toilet Block cleaning
Barry Morris	40.00	Website Administration
Ms M Foster	358.67	Clerk Salary + toilet seat
Sandover Associates Ltd	250.00	N Plan Consultancy Services
M Roope	36.00	Verge grass-cutting
Stoke Fleming Village Hall	108.00	PC + NP room hire
Hawthorns Accounting Services Ltd	54.00	Payroll Services
P Burridge	141.00	Play Park grass-cutting/ground M/ance

252. DIARY DATES

Joint Local Plan Forum	13th September
Christmas Tree Festival	9th, 10th, 11th December

There being no further business the meeting closed at 9.05 pm

The next monthly meeting of the PC will be held on **5th October, 2016**, in the Village Hall at 7.00pm