

STOKE FLEMING PARISH COUNCIL

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A meeting of the Parish Council was held on Wednesday 2nd September 2020 at 7.00 pm remotely in accordance with The Local Authorities and Police and Crime Panels (Coronavirus) (Flexibility of Local Authority and Police and Crime Panel Meetings) (England and Wales) Regulations 2020

Present : Councillors	Struan Coupar	Ruth Adams	David Harris
	Phil Elliot	Hazel Smith	Marion Holmes

District Councillor Helen Reeve
County Councillor Julian Brazil
Parish Clerk

Councillors expressed their sadness and regret at the passing of Nick Wood who had served on the Parish Council for over ten years and will be greatly missed.

067. APOLOGIES

None

068. MINUTES

The Minutes of the previous Remote Meeting of the Parish Council on Wednesday 5th August 2020 had been circulated and read. Cllr Adams proposed and Cllr Harris seconded that the minutes be accepted. Planning site minutes from August 2020 were also read and approved. All were in agreement that the PC meeting minutes and Planning site minutes should be signed as a true record.

069. MATTERS ARISING

(a) Co-option of new Councillors

Three candidates for the three Councillor vacancies were interviewed via Zoom and the recordings were circulated to all Councillors. The third vacancy can only be filled after the 8th September once the statutory notice has expired. Councillors gave their opinions on the proposed candidates and will inform the applicants on 9th September.

070. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Cllr Harris under **079 Finance**.

071. PUBLIC QUESTION TIME

A School Road resident had written to the Council, having become aware of a complaint about rubbish in one of the gardens, and requested that the letter be read out at the meeting, which was duly done. Enquiries had established that the problem had been caused by contractors carrying out renovation at the property on behalf of the housing association and had not been the responsibility of the resident. The Council had written to the complainant accordingly.

A parishioner had recently requested that the Parish Council adopt a policy preventing new-build properties being sold to second-home owners. Councillors had been asked if they were aware of any concerns within the community, and whether they personally favoured the adoption of such a policy. Responses had indicated that there was no evidence of general concern, and it was agreed that no further action should be taken at this time.

Cllr Brazil noted that a Primary Residency Policy can be adopted within the Local Plan due to the levels of second homes in the area, but that had not been done in respect of the South West Devon Local Plan, which covers South Hams and West Devon. He mentioned that some Parish Councils include this policy within their Neighbourhood Plan. The Stoke Fleming Plan is due for review in 2024 and the Local Plan is due for review in 2022/23.

072. COUNTY COUNCILLOR'S REPORT

Cllr Brazil also expressed his sadness at the passing of Nick Wood and sent his condolences to Nick's family.

The Local Outbreak Management Plan has now been established. A Scrutiny meeting will be held on 7th September to discuss the Children and Social Care sector.

Cllr Brazil noted under **076.** that Councillors are researching options for a VAZ. He informed them that a VAZ may be installed further to the testing of the average speed of traffic in the village. The cost would have to come from PC funds and/or his Locality funds.

073. DISTRICT COUNCILLOR'S REPORT

Cllr Reeve mentioned that there are Locality funds available also. Locality officers have been active in fining fly-tipping and those with tents and vans who have been illegally parked.

There was a climate change meeting last week with some activity and the recycling officer will attend the October PC meeting.

Baker Estates are due to start works on the roundabout at Dartmouth.

It has been confirmed that officers will not be going back to Follaton House to work until next Spring.

074. NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN

(a) Sub-committee report

The Council is in correspondence with Cavanna Homes and Highways over possible funding for improvements to the Bird Walk and it is hoped that work could take place during December.

075. COMMUNITY

Openreach have suggested costings for the routing of fibre broadband from Blackpool Valley through to Bugford.

The main village works have now been completed and Gigaclear are no longer contracted to carry out any further works.

076. ROADS & TRANSPORT

(a) Possible installation of vehicle-activated speed signs on A379

Cllr Smith has spoken to Highways and carried out research into companies providing a VAZ. She will forward this correspondence to Cllr Brazil so that he may speed up the process.

077. MAINTENANCE

(a) Pavilion Toilets

A longer-term plan will be considered at the next meeting with regards any reopening of the toilets at the pavilion. Keith Ellis has confirmed that he can start the painting very soon.

The Clerk will request new dog signs for the Playpark as they are now very faded.

078. PLANNING:

APPLICATIONS

2204/20/HHO 18 Deer Park, Stoke Fleming TQ6 0QW
Householder application for rear conservatory

2300/20/TPO 7 Manor Court, Stoke Fleming TQ6 0PG

T1, T2 & T3: Sycamore - Fell and remove. To give adjacent oak sufficient space and reduce shading over garden. T4: Sycamore – Remove lowest branch at approx 4m from ground level on East side overhanging boundary to increase light and reduce potential damage to summerhouse.

2338/20/FUL Bugford Nursery, Bugford, Stoke Fleming TQ6 0LT
Provision of agricultural access and track

2424/20/VAR Hillfield Village, Hillfield, Stoke Fleming TQ6 0LX
Application for variation of condition 2 of planning permission 1590/19/VAR

1591/20/FUL West Combe Bungalow, Combe Cross to Bowden Cross, Bowden TQ6 0LJ
Replacement of existing dwelling

DECISIONS

1214/20/HHO Beacon View, New Road, Stoke Fleming TQ6 0PH
Householder application for replacement garage and ancillary accommodation. Conditional Approval 27/07/2018.

1589/20/FUL Higher Ash Farm, Ash, Stoke Fleming TQ6 0LR
Demolition of existing barn and construction of new replacement dwelling with associated landscaping service. Conditional Approval 27/07/2020.

1905/20/TPO 5 Manor Court, Stoke Fleming TQ6 0PG
T1: Oak - Remove all epicormic growth up to 6m from ground level on East side of main trunk. T2: Sycamore - Remove branch on East side at approx 4m from ground level to increase light levels. T3: Beech - Remove branch at 3m from ground level and branch at 4m from ground level on East side to increase light levels. T4: Sycamore - Clear ivy and epicormic growth on main stem up to 5m from ground level on East side. Consent granted 11/08/20.

1906/20/TPO 6 Manor Court, Stoke Fleming TQ6 0PG
T1: Sycamore - Removal of 2x branches at approx 10m from ground level on East side back to main stem. Remove triple fork on North side stem. Branches are overhanging boundary, works to increase light levels and mitigate potential future damage to property. Consent granted 11/08/20.

1677/20/CLE Lower Ridge Barns, School Road, Stoke Fleming
Lawful development certificate for existing use of barns for single residential dwelling and associated curtilage. Certificate granted 15/08/20.

ENFORCEMENT CASES Current enforcement list update

079. FINANCE

a)	BANK BALANCE		
	Lloyds Bank	£12,759.04	Balance at 26 th August 2020
	Savings account	£12,375.35	Balance at 26 th August 2020
b)	RECEIPTS	£	
	None		

Cllr Smith proposed and Cllr Adams seconded that the following payments be approved for signature. All were in agreement.

c)	ACCOUNTS TO BE PAID	£	
	BACS payments:		
	Barry Morris	50.00	Website administration
	Miss J Talbot	368.60	Clerk salary
	Laurenjade Ahearn	50.00	Bus shelter cleaning
	R.V. Harris & Son	312.00	Playing field maintenance
	Stoke Fleming Village Shop	5.99	Office supplies
	Terry Hallett's Gardening Services	690.00	Gardening Maintenance

There being no further business the meeting closed at 8.00 pm.

The date of the next meeting of the Parish Council:
Wednesday 7th October 2020 at 7pm