

STOKE FLEMING PARISH COUNCIL

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A meeting of the Parish Council was held on Wednesday 3rd July 2019 in the Village Hall at 7.00 pm

Present : Councillors	Struan Coupar	Hazel Smith	David Harris
	Michael Barlow	Jay Gascoigne	Nick Wood
	Caroline Martin	Marion Holmes	

District Councillor Helen Reeve
County Councillor Julian Brazil
Parish Clerk Judy Talbot
Three members of the public

714. APOLOGIES

Cllr Adams.

715. MINUTES

The Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on Wednesday 5th June 2019 had been circulated and read. Cllr Smith proposed and Cllr Wood seconded that the minutes be accepted. Planning site minutes from June were also read and approved with Cllr Smith proposing and Cllr Barlow seconding. All were in agreement that the PC meeting minutes and Planning site minutes were signed as a true record.

716. MATTERS ARISING

None.

717. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

None.

718. PUBLIC QUESTION TIME

A member of the public asked Councillors about the recycling of light plastics. Cllr Reeve informed everyone that a new waste collecting system will possibly be in place next April with items separated out via the recycling operatives at roadside. This is currently being carried out in West Devon.

The member of public proceeded to ask about progress with the Bird Walk works. Cllr Coupar responded saying that the PC will now start work on implementing the policies from the Neighbourhood Plan, of which the Bird Walk improvements is one. The PC need to negotiate with landowners on either side of the Bird Walk as well as the resurfacing via DCC Highways, who are responsible for the surface. The PC does not own or control any of these areas so negotiations are beginning to take place now with the various parties.

The owner of Ashcross Kennels came forward to discuss the planning re-application at Cross Park Barn. As discussed at the previous application, she has ongoing concerns that any new resident at this property could make a complaint about the noise from the Kennels due to its bordering proximity. There is still no forthcoming protection such as a restrictive covenant which would prevent any new owners from complaining about their existing business. There is no extra insulation factored into the proposed design and all the proposed windows face the kennels.

Cllr Smith read out the PC's previous representation which clearly supports the Kennel's concerns and as set out in the Neighbourhood Plan, the PC does fully support local businesses. A restrictive covenant regarding the noise factor was requested previously and the PC will elaborate on the previous representation when it responds on this occasion.

719. COUNTY COUNCILLOR'S REPORT

Cllr Brazil reported back from the annual County Council meeting to advise the PC that he is on various committees including the Scrutiny Committee, Audit Committee and a new Committee, Local Enterprise Partnership across the South-West. The latter is essentially a government quango which has a large amount of funding to direct and is now accountable for how this is spent.

He informed the PC that there are a number of open days coming up in relation to the Slapton Line Partnership.

He said that unfortunately he has not made any progress with the flooding problem at Bowden. Neil Oxtan in Highways has now been replaced with Amy Garwood. He suggested considering the Community Enhancement Fund as a possible income stream for remedying the Bowden issue.

The PC mentioned that some roadside walls are collapsing in parts and Cllr Brazil stated that it could be within the remit of Highways or Building Control.

720. DISTRICT COUNCILLOR'S REPORT

Cllr Reeve informed the PC of her attendance at an Environment meeting last week where issues such as public toilets and fly-tipping were discussed. Cllr Reeve advised Councillors that the most effective way to appeal against a parking ticket is to go online.

She will also attend a Climate Change workshop soon to discuss rural housing and homelessness. Cllr Reeve mentioned that roadside parking is within the realm of County Council and car parks are the remit of SHDC.

721. NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN

The PC had their first sub-committee meeting and looked at the access route for the link between Rectory Field and School Road. On investigation a gate along Hockey Fields was found but a local resident informed them that the driveway was private property. It was suggested that another gate along Well Park Place might be the correct access point.

The PC will endeavour to ascertain if Cavanna Homes, who build the houses at Hockey Fields, specified in writing an access route to the planned bridge over the wildlife corridor.

The Bird Walk, School Road footpath and proposed car park at Mill Lane are the three key projects to be taken forward. There have been a number of concerned residents complaining about the condition of the Bird Walk. Councillors agreed that a short article would be written for the magazine informing parishioners that work can now start on the Bird Walk.

The PC does not own any part of the Bird Walk but intends to facilitate improvements. Negotiations would need to take place with the adjoining landowners, who are responsible for the fences, and DCC Highways. Cllrs Martin and Wood will arrange a stakeholders' meeting to progress the project.

722. DEVELOPMENT AT COTTON

Cllr Coupar and Cllr Reeve attended a meeting with Wendy Ormsby from SHDC, the AONB manager and the Landscape Specialist in order to co-ordinate communication with all parties. They also held a meeting with Baker Estates on Tuesday 2nd July and Cllr Coupar will write to Ms Ormsby and circulate to all Councillors. It has been acknowledged that some of the affordable housing from Stage 2 development will be moved to Stage 1. Some of the parking arrangements have also been reconfigured.

723. COMMUNITY

(a) Reported problems

It was reported that a couple of parishioners had fixed the latch on the Poppy Gate so the Clerk will write to thank them.

(b) High-speed Broadband

Cllr Barlow reported that Councillors had had a good meeting with Connecting Devon and Somerset and Gigaclear. They explained that the delay in schedule has partly been due to the difficulty in gaining the necessary wayleaves from private individuals. Cllr Smith will circulate the meeting minutes to everyone. All parties have agreed to attend another meeting in December to review the schedule of works.

724. ROADS & TRANSPORT

(a) Reported problems

A few complaints have been made with regards to a stretch of the public footpath adjacent to the junction with Weeke Hill which is heavily overgrown with brambles. The Clerk will ask the local contractor to cut it back and maintain it accordingly.

725. MAINTENANCE

(a) Reported problems

None.

(b) Play-area improvements

Cllr Martin reported that she had been in touch with Huck UK who had previously installed the play equipment. They will send a quote for the two poles needing repair. Councillors have pressure-washed some of the play-area and will complete it in the next week. The Clerk will ask the PC contractor to quote for the remaining repair works in the play-area.

(c) Former Deer Park Inn

Environmental Health have now issued an enforcement notice to the site owner at the Deer Park Inn site as a number of health and safety concerns have still not been addressed or resolved despite a number of communications.

726. PLANNING:

It has now been reported that Stagecoach have now moved to the field at the top end of Venn Lane on the corner of the A1322. There are buses, cars, a caravan, container and portaloos in situ. The PC will send details again to enforcement with relevant photos.

APPLICATIONS

1063/19/FUL Barn at Sx 830 516, adjacent to Blackmore Lane, Bugford.

READVERTISEMENT (Revised Plans Received) Demolition of existing barn and construction of replacement dwelling (following approval 2261/18/PDM) with associated access and landscaping.

1881/19/PDM Cross Park Barn, Ash Cross, Dartmouth TQ6 0LR

Notification for prior approval for proposed change of use of agricultural building to dwellinghouse (Class C3) and for associated operational development (Class Q(a+b)).

1735/19/HHO Hillfield Farm, Hillfield, Dartmouth TQ6 0LU

Householder application for erection of red cedarwood greenhouse in front garden.

DECISIONS

0777/19/TPO Seascapes, Redlap Lane, Stoke Fleming TQ6 0QU

T1: Horse Chestnut - overall crown reduction by 1-2m to maintain shape and pruning to lower limbs at 2m from ground level to ensure safety of residents and property and prevent encroachment for preservation of light. Grant of conditional consent 16/06/19.

3475/17/OPA Proposed Development Site Sx 857 506 Land south of Townstal Road, Dartmouth

Outline application with some matters reserved for residential development of up to 210 dwellings, public open space, green infrastructure, strategic landscaping.
Conditional approval 24/05/19.

1908/18/FUL Redcroft, Dartmouth Road, Stoke Fleming TQ 0RE

Demolition of existing Bungalow and construction of 4 new dwelling houses with associated landscaping and parking. Conditional approval 12/06/19.

2925/18/FUL Land at Sx 8646 4962 Venn Cross Farm, East of Venn Cross, Venn, Dartmouth

Application for granting of a permanent status for the existing workers dwelling approved under application 51/2190/15/F – Refusal.

1277/19/HHO Stone Barn, Mill Lane, Stoke Fleming TQ6 0QZ

Householder application to construct new garage, store and pool. Conditional approval 21/06/19.

ENFORCEMENT CASES Current enforcement list update

727. FINANCE

a) **BANK BALANCE**

Lloyds Bank	£14,371.20	Balance at 27 th June 2019
Savings account	£12,068.37	Balance at 27 th June 2019

b) **RECEIPTS**

	£	
Apollo IT Ltd	46.00	Flower tub
Stoke Fleming Football Club	140.00	Utilities

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

c) **ACCOUNTS TO BE PAID**

	£	
Nick Roberts	48.50	Shelter cleaning
Barry Morris	50.00	Website administration
Hannah Abraham	42.50	Toilet block cleaning
Miss J Talbot	368.60	Clerk salary
Miss J Talbot	23.70	Print & postage
Terry Hallett	880.00	Gardening services
Luketom Ltd	18.00	Mailbox upgrade
Stoke Fleming Village Shop	5.96	Toilet supplies
DALC	66.00	Councillor training

There being no further business the meeting closed at 8.55 pm.

The next monthly meeting of the PC will be held on Wednesday 7th August 2019 in the Village Hall at 7pm.