

STOKE FLEMING PARISH COUNCIL

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A meeting of the Parish Council was held on Wednesday 5th July 2017 in the Village Hall at 7.00 pm

Present: Councillors Mary Newman Paul Bond
David Harris Hazel Smith
Nick Wood
County Councillor Julian Brazil
Parish Clerk Judy Talbot
Two members of the Public

377. APOLOGIES

Cllr Katie Franks, Cllr Martin Judd, Cllr Struan Coupar and Cllr Michael Hicks.
Cllr Wood proposed and Cllr Bond seconded that Cllr Newman would act as Chairman for this meeting.

378. MINUTES

Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on Wednesday 7th June 2017 had been circulated and read along with the Planning Site Meeting Minutes of 29th June 2017. Cllr Smith proposed and Cllr Wood seconded that the minutes be accepted.
All were in agreement and both PC meeting minutes and planning minutes were signed as a true record.

379. MATTERS ARISING

Cllr Charlie Wreford-Brown has resigned due to a conflict of interest arising from the West Dart development. Parish Clerk to place a Casual Vacancy notice for new Councillor on all noticeboards and websites. This will be displayed for 14 working days at which time the PC may choose to co-opt if ten or more electors have not written to SHDC.

380. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Cllr Harris under **388**.

381. PUBLIC QUESTION TIME

A couple of members of the public attended the meeting and expressed their interest in ongoing community matters.

382. COUNTY COUNCILLOR'S REPORT

Cllr Brazil confirmed that the works at Totnes Cross are now complete. There has been no progress with regards the manhole covers; largely due to the Coroner's report in that no blame was attached to these covers to the fatality. He advised that the PC, along with Strete PC, should continue to write to DCC with their ongoing concerns.

Cllr Brazil advised on behalf of Cllr Hicks that there is a forthcoming meeting on 27th July with discussions regarding the potential merger between SHDC and West Devon BC. The two currently share some services. If in agreement this will go out to consultation thereafter.

A discussion continued with regards Councils investments in commercial property and whether this is advisable. Cllr Newman raised the issue of housing stock within the South Hams and the existence of a five-year land supply. Cllr Brazil confirmed that there is no Plan at present. The previous statement that Stoke Fleming could take 10-20 additional houses was made in 2014. It could be said that this allocation has been met with the development of housing along School Road. The emergence of the Joint Local Plan in October will carry more weight in this regard.

383. DISTRICT COUNCILLOR'S REPORT

Cllr Hicks not present. Statements made above refer to SHDC.

384. COMMUNITY

(a) Reported problems

None

(b) Police Report

Nothing to report. Cllr Smith to attend a meeting at SHDC with regards Neighbourhood Policing and will raise concerns about the lack of contact with any Community Police.

(c) Noticeboard

Cllr Newman confirmed that the new noticeboard could be located alongside the first development on School Road. This is next to the LPG tank against the fence. Cllr Newman to confirm the ownership of this piece of land.

(d) Fresher's Fair

All in agreement that it will be held on Saturday 9th September from 11.30 to 1.30. It is suggested that nibbles could be provided and a timetable of events/organisations made. The Clerk to liaise with Cllr Franks to set this out in more detail. An advert will be placed in the August magazine. The Clerk to contact the School along with a few other remaining clubs.

(e) Playpark re-surfacing

The grass has been too long to consider any works at present on the resurfacing.

(f) Bird Walk

Cllr Newman confirmed that the Mayers agree in principle to the proposed public right of way. There is now an open dialogue and Councillors will meet other stakeholders in due course.

(g) Dog Show

This is confirmed to take place on Sunday 16th July on the main Playing Field. Councillors agreed that the £5 fee to be returned to Hope Elliott should everything be left clean and tidy.

(h) Skip

The skip will be on the hard-standing at the edge of the field on Saturday 8th July from 9.30 to 1.30. Cllr Bond confirmed that he will be there from 9am and Cllr Smith to assist later in the morning.

385. ROADS & TRANSPORT

(a) Reported problems

None

(b) Bugford Flooding

The Clerk confirmed that funding from the Highway Maintenance Fund has been approved for the Bugford flooding project to the sum of £2,229.36. The Clerk to ask Charlie Wreford-Brown if he is able to oversee these works. Cllr Bond confirmed he is able to help with the loading and storing of equipment.

386. MAINTENANCE

(a) Playground Grass

The complaints have been responded to and Alan Pook has now cut the grass. Clerk to let Peter Burrige know that another contractor will be appointed to deal with the grass cutting here if we do not hear from him imminently.

(b) Bus shelter

Cllr Bond confirmed that there are numerous shingles missing from the roof of the bus shelter at the Sportsman's Arms. The ply also needs repairing so it will most likely need a new roof. Cllr Newman to ask John Dunn to give a quote for the works.

(c) Reported problems

Cllr Harris reported that the Post lady has complained of the overgrown shrubbery along Coffins Way. It has been agreed that this will be trimmed back.

The owner of Ginkgo House has now cut back the overgrown foliage further to the PC writing. The Clerk will thank him for his prompt action.

387. PLANNING:

APPLICATIONS

Premier Garage, Dartmouth Road, Stoke Fleming TQ6 0RE

2078/16/FUL READVERTISEMENT (Revised Plans Received). Demolition of existing garage and filling station. Erection of 5 dwellings, access and garaging.

Church Cottage, Church Road, Stoke Fleming TQ6 0PZ

1936/17/HHO Householder application for installation of window to side elevation

9 Venn Lane, Stoke Fleming TQ6 0QH

2001/17/HHO Householder application for rear and side extensions to dwelling including new decking to rear.

DECISIONS

Gratton Lower Ash Farm, Blackawton TQ6 0LR

1421/17/ARC Application for approval of details reserved by conditions 2 (Slate Sample) and 3 (Render Details) re-submission of 51/0740/15/RM. Discharge of condition approved 14/06/17.

ENFORCEMENT CASES Current enforcement list update

388. FINANCE

a) BANK BALANCES

Santander	£13,614.33	Statement dated 6 th June 2017
Lloyds Bank	£19,989.46	Balance at 30 th June 2017

b) RECEIPTS

VAT return	£430.24
Stoke Fleming Petanque Club	£200.00

Cllr Bond proposed and Cllr Smith 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
Barry Morris	40.00	Website Administration
Hannah Abraham	34.00	Toilet Block cleaning
Miss J Talbot	330.55	Clerk Salary
Stoke Fleming Shop	13.12	Postage etc.
Miss J Talbot	10.80	Stationery & postage
Mr R.V. Harris	360.00	Playing field grass cutting
SHDC – Play Area	156.00	Inspection & Annual Insurance

d) A site meeting has been arranged to discuss the proposed Deer Park development on Monday 10th July at 10.30 am. Councillors will state their concerns about the ongoing dereliction and the proposed height/appearance of the development.

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

The next monthly meeting of the PC will be held on 2nd August 2017 in the Village Hall at 7pm.