

# STADHAMPTON PARISH COUNCIL

## Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting

held on Tuesday 6th November, 2012

Clerk: Paul Isaacs, 11 Thame Road, Great Milton, Oxon., OX44 7HY

<b>Attendees</b>	Cllr. Michael May (MM) (Chair), Cllr. Elizabeth Eales (LE) (Vice-Chair), Cllr. Golda Nann (GN), Cllr. Sarah Street (SS), Paul Isaacs (Clerk) Cllr Lorraine Lindsay-Gale (OCC), Cllr Phil Cross (SODC) and 12 members of the public.
<b>Apologies</b>	Cllr. Lesley Shaw, Cllr. Marc Hiles (SODC), Chris Ratcliff (TV Police).

159/12	<b>Welcome</b>	The Chair, Michael May, welcomed those in attendance.	<b>For info.</b>
160/12	<b>Declarations of Interest</b>	No declarations of interest were received.	<b>For info.</b>
161/12	<b>Minutes of Meeting, 2/10/12</b>	The minutes of the Parish Meeting held on 2/10/12 were confirmed, approved and signed by the Chair.	<b>For info.</b>
162/12	<b>Matters Arising</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The bridleway between Ascott and the Crazy Bear that needs to be cut back has been reported to OCC Countryside Services but still needs to be cleared. Clerk to chase OCC.</li> <li>The flooding that occurs regularly outside the Old School House has been reported to Thames Water.</li> <li>Cllr. SS reported that she has completed a local survey that favours the possibility of turning the School Lane / Thame Road junction into a one way system. The Clerk to organise a site visit from OCC Highways.</li> </ul>	<b>For info.</b> <b>Clerk</b> <b>For info.</b> <b>For info.</b>
163/12	<b>Public Forum</b>	No issues raised.	<b>For info.</b>
164/12	<b>Report from Oxfordshire County Council</b>	<p>Cllr Lorraine Lindsay-Gale (OCC) reported as follows :-</p> <p><u>Oxfordshire Minerals &amp; Waste Plan</u>  This will now be subject to a Public Inquiry that is likely to be held in February 2013 (see 167/12)</p> <p><u>2012/13 Localities Budget</u>  There is still time for Stadhampton to bid for approximately £500 that remains be available from this budget.</p> <p><u>Church Farms Barns / Copson Lane Road Repairs</u>  Cllr. MM asked LLG for assistance regarding the forthcoming repairs to Copson Lane as part of the ongoing easement negotiations with Vector Design Consultancy (VDC).  Summarising the position MM reported that SPC had met with VDC 1/11/12 and that the only outstanding issues regarding the easement were to do with the actual road repairs. VDC have obtained a quotation for full repairs totalling £22,000 including VAT and contingencies but the County Council insist that the proposed contractors hold a £10m public liability insurance and, in addition, will only allow the repairs to go ahead if VDC or SPC then assume ongoing responsibility for the works for a five year period.  LLG replied that the £10m public liability insurance required of the contractors was non-negotiable but that a 2 year guarantee of works would be acceptable.  The Clerk will relay this information to VDC.</p>	<b>For info.</b> <b>For info.</b> <b>For info.</b> <b>MM</b>  <b>LLG</b>  <b>Clerk</b>

165/12	<b>Report from South Oxfordshire District Council</b>	<p>Cllr Marc Hiles (SODC) had forwarded information regarding the South Oxfordshire Core Strategy Inspector's report. The report is a culmination of over 5 years' work where SODC tried to strike a balance between housing need and economic vitality while preserving the distinctive character of the district. Following extensive public consultation and several examination hearings held over the course of a year, SODC has now received the report which has found the core strategy to be sound subject to a number of minor modifications.</p> <p>The report and accompanying documents are available to view by visiting <a href="http://www.southoxon.gov.uk/corestrategy">www.southoxon.gov.uk/corestrategy</a> and a copy is also available to view at the Council's offices. The core strategy is now expected to be adopted by the council before the end of 2012 at which time it will become part of the development plan.</p> <p>Cllr Phil Cross (SODC) reported as follows :-</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Community Investment Fund - the allocations for 2013/14 have been set;</li> <li>• New welfare benefit changes will come into effect for 2013/14;</li> <li>• 'Help' Stop Hate Crime - Hate crime is a prejudice of disability, race or nationality, gender, religion or sexual orientation. The abuse can be verbal, physical or emotional and includes attacks to property, and written and electronic messages. Victims of hate crime who are reluctant to go to the police now have an alternative reporting service, a new 24 hour freephone helpline for anyone on the receiving end of, or witness to, hate crime.</li> </ul> <p>Whilst Cllr. PC was at the meeting planning application P12/S1417/RM was discussed. The application was for the 'Erection of an agricultural workers dwelling' at Wholesale Plants Ltd land, Ascott, OX44 7UH. There was strong consensus that that scale of the application was out of proportion and that it should be refused. There were also allegations that other development had already taken place on the site without permission and that SODC Planning needed to be alerted to the fact. It was decided that SPC should recommend <b>REFUSAL</b> by the deadline of 9/11/12 and suggest that SODC visit the site.</p> <p>Comments from the floor were then made to Cllr. PC that SODC Planning were allowing too many 'permissions by the back door' and that Planning Enforcement team seemed to be weak and sometimes ineffectual. Cllr. PC staunchly rejected this, mentioned that all planning matters were subject to strict guidelines and wholeheartedly defended the SODC planners.</p>	<p><b>MH</b> <b>For info.</b></p> <p><b>PC</b> <b>For info.</b></p> <p><b>For info.</b> <b>For info.</b></p> <p><b>For info.</b></p> <p><b>Decision</b></p> <p><b>For info.</b></p>
166/12	<b>Clay Shoots</b>	Fifteen Clay Shoots at the Crazy Bear Hotel were reported for the four month period beginning July 2012. The list will be sent to SODC and LE suggested that SPC write to the Crazy Bear Hotel. Agreed.	<b>For info.</b> <b>LE</b>
167/12	<b>PAGE (Parishes Against Gravel Extraction)</b>	<p>Mr. Taylor spoke regarding the ongoing campaign and thanked SPC for its continued support that is recognised and welcomed. Cholsey are making strong representations as to why it should not be the approved site for local gravel extraction and PAGE will need to counter this throughout 2013/14.</p> <p>It was unanimously agreed that the £1,000 'put aside' for the campaign for 2012/13 should be released. Proposed by GN, seconded by SS. A further contribution for 2013/14 will be discussed by councillors at the December Budget setting meeting.</p>	<p><b>For info.</b></p> <p><b>Decision</b></p>
168/12	<b>Parish Plan</b>	Cllr. LE presented a brief report regarding the successful 'Clubs and Societies' event on the weekend of Oct. 12/13th, 2012. The next test event will be held in Spring 2013.	<b>For info.</b> <b>LE</b>



173/12	<b>Financial Update</b>	<p>A list of cheques approved and authorised for payment at the 6/11/12 meeting is appended. At 1/11/12 the SPC revenue account stood at £25,136.89.</p> <p>The budget setting meeting for 2013/14 will take place on 6/12/12.</p>	<p><b>For info.</b></p> <p><b>For info.</b></p>
174/12	<b>Correspondence</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● SPC has written welcoming the Revd Caroline King to her new role as Team Vicar in the Dorchester team.</li> <li>● The next 'Have Your Say' meeting will be held on Weds. Nov. 21st, 11am to 12 noon at the Village Green with PCSO Matthew Taylor.</li> </ul>	<p><b>For info.</b></p> <p><b>For info.</b></p>
175/12	<b>Any Other Business</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Cllr. LE and the Clerk will attend the Annual SODC Town &amp; Parishes forum to be held 21/11/12.</li> <li>● Following a request from David Fordham (DF) it was agreed that local Neighbourhood Watch procedures be discussed as an agenda item for the next meeting.</li> <li>● DF also requested support again for the annual Royal British Legion fundraising. It was agreed to pay £29 for the 2012 wreaths. Proposed by LE, seconded by GN.</li> </ul>	<p><b>For Info.</b></p> <p><b>For Info.</b></p> <p><b>For Info.</b></p>
176/12	<b>Next Meetings</b>	<p>Tuesday January 15th, 2013          Tuesday March 5th, 2013          Tuesday May 7th, 2013 (AGM)          Tuesday June 4th, 2013          Tuesday July 2nd, 2013          Tuesday September 3rd, 2013          Tuesday October 1st, 2013          Tuesday November 5th, 2013</p> <p>7.30pm in the Stadhampton Community Hall (Primary School).</p>	<p><b>For info.</b></p>