

Stoneleigh & Ashow Joint Parish Council

Minutes of the Meeting of the Parish Council held on Thursday 13th November 2025
At Stoneleigh Village Hall at 7pm

PRESENT:

Cllr R Hancox (Chair)
Cllr S Matthews
Cllr J Astle
Cllr D Jack
Cllr R Bennett
Cllr L Rolli
Cllr P Redford
Cllr J Payne
Helen Denton-Stacey (Clerk)

1. Attendance and Apologies and Acceptance of Apologies

Apologies were received and accepted from:
None

2. Declarations of Interest

There were no declarations of interest.

3. Minutes of the last meeting

The minutes of the PC meeting held on 9th October 2025 were reviewed, approved and agreed to be signed by the Chair.

4. Public Session

HS2 representatives were in attendance and presented a slideshow of the works to be completed in January, this slideshow will be circulated and added to the website. Piling will take place daily for 28 days, noise levels were explained, a drop in at Stoneleigh village hall –10 February 2-6pm

A resident advised that traffic has increased dramatically within the village, they feel with the HS2 closures this will impact significantly

A resident asked for the full clarification on WCC's decision to not close Birmingham Road as residents are not happy with this decision. It was also clarified that the HS2 funds discussed previously have not been communicated to the PC. Clerk to ask Cllr Edwards for official statement from WCC for publication and for HS2 funding to be explained by WCC.

5. Finance and Administration

Finance Report 31st October 2025.

Income / Expenditure

Balance brought forward from 31st September 2025

£ 69,629.97

Clerk salary (Oct)

as per contract

HMRC (employee tax & NI)	as per contract
Unity	£6.00
Clerks expenses (Oct)	£110.78
N Power	£40.00
Clerks expenses (Sept)	£110.78
Ink	£52.95
Parish Online	£182.40
Ink	£52.95
N Power	£40.00
Mcafee	£109.99
Nest	£144.54
Amazon	£58.44

Income:	WDC Precept	£11,943.00
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Balance	31st October 2025	<u>£ 46,458.57</u>
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Funds at Unity Bank

Current Account T1	£ 46,458.57
Instant Access account	£ 21,315.71

£ 67,774.28

Online payments to be authorised:

Clerk Expenses (Nov)	£110.78
Clerk salary (Nov)	as per contract
HMRC (employee tax & NI)	as per contract
Nest	£72.27
ICO	£47.00
DM Payroll	£72.00

- Invoices and payments received were noted.
- It was agreed that all payments were authorised.
- Finance report was reviewed by the PC
- Precept and budget were discussed, the cost of inflation was discussed as the issue facing the PC for 2026. RESOLVED: Precept for 2026-27 was agreed at £26,274.60, this is an increase to the PC of £2,388.60, which is an increase annually to Band D properties of £5.23. R Hancox proposed to formally request an increase of 10% to WCC , seconded by Cllr S Matthews, all agreed.

6. Planning

November 2025.

New Planning Applications

Application No: W/25/1563/TCA

Description : Removal of 7 Leylandii

Address: 15 The Village, Church Road, Ashow, Kenilworth, CV8 2LE

PC recorded no comment to the application

W/25/1583/TCA|(1)

Eucalyptus - Remove (2) Plum - Remove (3) Plum - Remove|

Plum Tree Cottage, 4 Coventry Road, Stoneleigh, Coventry, CV8 3BZ

PC recorded no comment to the application

W/25/1492/TP|T

1 x Sycamore (T201) - Thinning by 25% and removal of dead wood from top of tree|

Holly Lodge, 2 The Cunnery, Stoneleigh Park, Kenilworth, CV8 2PZ

PC recorded no comment to the application

Application No: W/25/0695

Description: Proposed erection of two storey rear extension and change of use from residential (Class C3) to children's day nursery (Class E) in Coventry City Council area ref. PL/2025/0000917/FUL with associated car parking in Warwick District Council area.

Address: 249 Green Lane, Finham, Coventry, CV3 6EF

Applicant: Simple Planning Solutions Ltd

W/25/1207|

Change of use of an existing building cafe & Class B8 storage & retailing of hydroponics to a automotive garage| Brook Farm, Stoneleigh Road, Coventry, CV4 7AB

Appl. No: W/25/1132 Received: 18/08/2025 10:31:16App. Type: Outline Planning Permission

The Orchard, Coventry Road, Stoneleigh

Outline planning application (all matters reserved except for means of site access) for the erection of 2no. dwellings.

Mr & Mrs Innocent

Case Officer: Officer Email:

Grid Ref: 433,168.83 / 272,854.17

Applicant:

Applicant Tel:

Ward: Cubbington and Leek Wootton

Millie Flynn millie.flynn@warwickdc.gov.uk

New Tree Preservation Order

Tree Preservation Order No: 591

Address: The Barn, Vicarage Road, Stoneleigh,

Coventry CV8 3DH

Progress of planning applications

Approved

Appl. No: W/25/0866/TCA Received: 18/06/2025 09:51:01App. Type: Trees in CA

8A Birmingham Road, Stoneleigh, Coventry, CV8 3DD

1 x Silver Birch (No 97 on site location plan) - Fell

Mr S Mackay

Case Officer: Officer Email:

Grid Ref: 432,824.92 / 272,855.61

Applicant:

Applicant Tel:

Ward: Cubbington and Leek Wootton

Planning Enforcement planning.enforcement@warwickdc.gov.uk

Approved

W/25/1204/HS2|

Plans and Specifications submission under Schedule 17 to the High Speed Rail (London - West Midlands) Act 2017 for works comprising: A building/structure (Canley Brook Pumping Station with associated wet well); Earthworks (for the establishments of a maintenance access strip, Canley Brook Pumping Station compound, attenuation basin with associated maintenance access stairs, drainage ditches, drainage headwalls and discharge chamber); Artificial lighting equipment (external building lighting and compound lighting columns associated with Canley Brook Pumping Station); and Fences/ walls (an HS2-lineside Vehicle Restraint System, safety guard rails, security fencing and boundary fencing). |

Land at Coventry to Leamington Spa Railway, south of A429 Kenilworth Road, Stoneleigh

Approved

Appl. No: W/25/1192/TCA Received: 29/08/2025 15:10:57App. Type: Trees in CA

The Old Post Office, The Green, Stoneleigh, Coventry, CV8 3DP

T1 x Willow - Fell to near ground level

Mr Peter Whitehouse

Case Officer: Officer Email:

Grid Ref: 433,063.13 / 272,732.35

Ward: Cubbington and Leek Wootton

Planning Enforcement planning.enforcement@warwickdc.gov.uk

7. Stoneleigh Park Events

The events calendar has been circulated.

Farm Fest is planned and is raising concerns on traffic issues due to road closures, clerk to contact Charlotte Sully to request a meeting with the PC. Residents are worried about the noise for the event planned for this weekend, Cllr Rolli is to contact Stoneleigh Park to discuss the provisions in place.

8. HS2 Update

Covered in public section.

9. South Warwickshire Local Plan

Timetable is being looked at.

10. Neighbourhood Plan

Awaiting next steps from Your Locale.

11. Water Testing

No change, funding has been secured for the project.

12. A46 Stoneleigh Road Junction Improvement Scheme

Traffic management is back in place for the bridge works. Early 2026 to be completed August 2027.

13. Birmingham Road Traffic calming

Covered in public section.

14. Stare Bridge

HS2 have inferred this will be back in use in summer 2026.

15. Updates from Warwickshire police, WCC Cllr Redford and WDC Councillors P Redford and J Payne

Warwickshire Police

Cllr R Hancox attended the Warwickshire East Forum in September. Statistics circulated. Cllr Astle will attend the next meeting.

Cllr P Redford.

Circulated updates. She advised WDC preferred the North & South option for Unitary proposals. She advised as of 2028 Police & Crime Commissioner positions will cease to exist.

Cllr B Edwards

Not in attendance.

Cllr J Payne

He advised WDC have put in place legal agreements for funding from Local growth initiatives. Josh will be campaigning for the remainder of funding to go to rural Parishes.

He advised parishes are being encouraged to create biodiversity policies , clerk to look at current policies within the N Plan.

16. Correspondence

Circulated.

Meeting with Finham PC date agreed as 22nd January 2026 at Ashow Village Club, to advise parking is limited.
Blocked drain to be reported.

17. Questions to Chairman

None.

18. Date of Next Meeting

- 11th December 2025 at Ashow Village Club.

19. Closure

The meeting was called to a close at 21.27pm.