

THE ANNUAL PARISH MEETING OF STRETTON UNDER FOSSE

Minutes of Meeting

Held on MONDAY 22nd May 2017 at 7:45pm

In the Stretton under Fosse Village Hall

Present Mr T Smith (Chairman); Mrs S Hartshorn, Jenny Ogden and Mark Daniell (Councillors); Kiley Brown (Clerk); Tony Gillias; and Nigel Jennett and Frances Payne (members of the public)

1. Parish Council Chairman's Review of 2016/17

The Chairman presented his yearly Report in the form attached. This was received and accepted.

2. Any Other Matters Raised

Regarding the 'Traffic through the village' in the Chairman's report, Nigel raised a safety issue regarding cars crossing into traffic on the main road from the few side roads in the village that are 'blind' to other drivers. It was acknowledged that options should be explored.

THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING OF STRETTON UNDER FOSSE PARISH COUNCIL

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Present Mr T Smith (Chairman); Mrs S Hartshorn, Jenny Ogden and Mark Daniell (Councillors); Kiley Brown (Clerk); and Nigel Jennett and Frances Payne (members of the public)

1. Election of Chairman

Councillor Terry Smith was nominated by Councillor Sue Hartshorn and seconded by Councillor Mark Daniell. There being no other nominations Mr Terry Smith was elected.

2. Declarations of Interest on Items on the Agenda

None

3. To Receive the Chairman's Declaration of Acceptance of Office

Councillor Terry Smith accepted his election as Chairman

4. To Elect a Vice Chairman

Councillor Sue Hartshorn was nominated by Councillor Mark Daniell and seconded by Councillor Terry Smith. There being no other nominations Councillor Sue Hartshorn was elected.

5. To Receive a Statement of Finances at 31st March 2017

- a. The Statement of Accounts as of 31st March 2017 were presented by Frances Payne. They were produced and acknowledged by Colin Plester and a donation of £50 was made to the Brinklow Bell Ringers for his help on this.
- b. Audited Accounts for the last financial year were produced and acknowledged and signed for by Terry Smith.

AN ORDINARY MEETING OF STRETTON UNDER FOSSE PARISH COUNCIL

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Present Mr T Smith (Chairman); Mrs S Hartshorn, Jenny Ogden and Mark Daniell (Councillors); Kiley Brown (Clerk); and Nigel Jennett and Frances Payne (members of the public)

1. a **Declarations of interest from Councillors on items on the agenda** – None received
b **Written requests for dispensations for disclosable pecuniary interests** – None received
c **Requests for dispensation as appropriate** – None received

2. **Public Participation Session, apologies and record of those in attendance**

None

3. **News from Rugby Borough Council (RBC)**

Tony confirmed the meeting about the Local Plan was rescheduled from the 25th of May to the 21st of June but the venue remains the Ben Hall.

- The Local Plan requires a large development at Lodge Farm near Grandborough. Opposition to this claim that traffic in Dunchurch will be even worse, adding to more serious air quality in the village centre, one of the worst air quality areas in the borough already. The other being in Rugby, at the junction close to the Webb Ellis public house.
- The new Local Plan covers 2011-2031. In it we haven't been producing houses like we should have and they need the infrastructure but that hasn't been put in first.
- In 2017-18 they hope to complete 200 houses followed by 186 the following year
- For Rugby Borough Council to get the new home bonus – 10,000 per house – they need to build 150 houses first. This means the bonus only applies to house number 151 and above.
- Approval of the road network will be triggered by the building of houses – to keep one step ahead

4. **To Approve the Minutes of the meeting held on the 24th April 2017**

The minutes were agreed to be a true account of the meeting held on the 24th April 2017. However, it was pointed out that Nigel's surname was spelled incorrectly. These will be updated and signed off by Terry Smith before the next meeting.

5. **To Report on Matters Arising from the Minutes of the last meeting**

Terry Smith was meant to be attending the Full Rugby Council meeting on Thursday 25th May at Ben Hall in Rugby. This has been rescheduled for Wednesday 21st June due to the elections.

Terry Smith reported that there was a survey for the Consultation on Localism that we should respond to by the deadline of the 12th of June. Tony was very much in support of this plan for Localism and thought we should make this evident in our response to the survey.

There was a question regarding communications after a question was raised by the public. The Council took Tony's advice and agreed it would be the Clerk that would respond directly in future after the appropriate response was agreed.

Although the concern for the garnet stone curbs was addressed with the Highways Agency, we were still unclear what resurfacing work was actually planned in the village. It was agreed that Kiley would ask for clarification and request that full resurfacing be done.

The vacant position for Councillor was raised again after it was posted publicly from March 2017. Member of the public Frances Payne nominated Nigel Jennett and Councillor Sue Hartshorn seconded. Nigel accepted this position and all Councillors voted in favour of the appointment. The appropriate forms will be distributed to Nigel and followed up prior to the next Parish Council meeting.

6. Correspondence

Member of the Public – Liz Collins – was responded to via email regarding her request to ensure the garnet stone curbs would be retained when resurfacing work was taking place in the village in the near future.

A further email was received from WALC on 12th May regarding the village commemorating the 100th Anniversary of the end of the Great War. It was decided that we would contact Brinklow and Monks Kirby to see what other activities and Beacons are being organised in order to collaborate on this event.

7. New and current planning applications

None

8. Finance – including an update of the account

Four cheques signed by Terry Smith and Mark Daniell for account statements from the previous meeting.

Kiley reported on the enquiry for the accounts from the previous meeting regarding the extra charges from Eon – these were confirmed to be yearly maintenance. We also received a letter by post to confirm the yearly maintenance had been carried out on our street lighting in the previous month.

We received our annual Insurance Quote from Zurich on the 9th May by email. The Councillors considered the option to raise another quote from Aon as offered in a letter received by post, but agreed that we would accept the Zurich quote and pay the invoice accordingly.

9. Any other Business

An issue was raised via email prior to the meeting by Councillor Jenny Ogden regarding the purchase of an electronic speed sign for the village. It was agreed that quotes sought in the past should be reviewed and this should be added to the agenda for the next meeting.

The current website restricts access and doesn't meet transparency standards. We need to review access and look into new ways of hosting the information which includes the ability to use a basic CMS system for updates and information available to the public. We should be able to keep the current URL going forward.

10. Items for the next meeting

Kiley to get quotes and information regarding website hosting going forward.

Kiley to review quotes received by Frances Payne regarding electronic speed signs. Where necessary new quotes will be raised. Kiley will also contact the Pailton Parish Council for any information they may have from their recent experience in acquiring these.

11. Date of the next meeting

Monday 10th July @ 7:45pm in the Stretton under Fosse Village Hall