STADHAMPTON PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on Monday 1st May 2012

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

Attendees

Michael May (MM) (Chair), Liz Eales (LE) (Vice-Chair), Golda Nann (GN), Sarah Street (SS), Paul Isaacs (Clerk) (PI), Cllr Lorraine Lindsay-Gale (OCC) (LLG), Cllr Phil Cross (PhC) and 16 members of the public.

Apologies

Ann Stead (Community Buildings Project).

| Ref | Item | Notes | Action |
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| 067/12 | Welcome | The Chair, Mick May, opened the meeting at 8.10pm and welcomed those in attendance. | For info. |
| 068/12 | Declarations of Interest | No declarations of interest were received. | For info. |
| 069/12 | Minutes of meeting, 6/3/12 | The minutes of the meeting held on 6/3/12 were confirmed, approved and signed by the Chair. | For info. |
| 070/12 | Matters Arising (but not elsewhere on the agenda) | The Parish Council has begun the process of reviewing and revising its Standing Orders and Induction Procedures. | For info. |
| | | Following an informative and interesting presentation by Chalgrove and Stadhampton 'First Responders' at the April meeting, SPC agreed to make a donation of £1,000 towards the maintenance and insurance of a 4x4 response vehicle. Proposed - LE, Seconded - GN. | Decision |
| 071/12 | Anvils | A long discussion took place regarding the railing fence at Anvils which has been moved by the owners, Mr. & Mrs. Heather towards the main Thame Road to accommodate a car parking space. This has taken way the pavement and is both anti-social and dangerous. Consequently a number of e.mails have been received that understandably complain that pedestrians are now forced to walk on the main road. This is obviously a matter of great concern especially for children, the elderly and families with buggies. | For info. |
| | | SPC have contacted the authorities but SODC have advised that it is not a planning issue and the County Council say that it is not a highways issue. | |
| | | Furthermore, Mr. & Mrs. Heather have put in an application to the Land Registry regarding ownership of this piece of land but many parishioners are adamant that the land belongs to the Parish. The current residents of Anvils were present and stated that they would happily remove the railings and reinstate the pavement as long as the Parish Council agree not to contest the issue of land ownership. | |
| | | SPC welcomed the offer that the owners reinstate the pavement but the PC cannot give away rights to a piece of parish land. Therefore it was unanimously agreed that the Clerk will instruct Darbys (solicitors) to contest the application to the Land Registry made by Mr. & Mrs. Heather. The deadline to contest the application is May 4th, 2012. | Decision |
| 072/12 | Easements | Progress reports were given regarding the Forge Garage development and Church Farm Barns (Copson Lane) where the easement agreement with Vector Design Consultancy will shortly be ready for signing. | For info. |

| 073/12 | Car Boot Sales | Mr. Webb from Watlington made a short presentation to the meeting. His proposal was to revive the Stadham Car Boot sales and to make a percentage contribution to the Parish Council that can then be used to assist other local community groups. | For info. |
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| | | Local parishioners expressed the view that the boot sales should be run by local community groups themselves but Daf Phillips pointed out that no local groups had come forwards to run the boot sales. | |
| | | Mr. Webb will consider making a proposal of a payment in advance that will ensure a 'minimum' income for the village per boot sale. The proposal will, as a matter of course, include the assurance that all litter will be cleared and that the village green will be repaired if there is any damage from cars. | |
| 074/12 | Village Green | Play area inspection reports completed and noted. | For info. |
| | and Playground | The area in front of Doyley's Farm is to be added to the grass cutting schedule. | Clerk |
| 075/12 | Footpaths and Transport | GN will contact the County Council to report a number of potholes that are again beginning to appear. | GN |
| | | GN reported that the Go Ride bus service on Saturday evenings and Sundays does not seem to be being used by local residents. | For Info. |
| 076/12 | Planning Matters | P11/W0566 - Oxfordshire Animal Sanctuary, Village Green, OX44 7UB. Installation of an onsite Incinerator. SODC target date for a decision was 4/7/11. No decision made as at 1/5/12. | For info. |
| | | P11/W2186 - The Beeches, Bear Lane, Stadhampton, OX44 7UR. Single storey side extension to form study & rear extension to form family room with additional bedroom on first floor. SPC responded by 6/3/12 and recommended to APPROVE. Planning permission GRANTED on 26/3/12. | For info. |
| | | P11/W2207/CC (County Consultation) - Stadhampton Primary School, Cratlands Close. Applicant - Oxfordshire County Council. Retention and continued use of a double early years classroom for a further period of five years. SPC responded and recommended to APPROVE. Deemed permission GRANTED on 21/3/12. | For info. |
| | | P11/W2401 and P11/W2402/LB (Listed Building Consent) - Piccadilly Cottage, Ascott, OX44. Removal of existing conservatory. Erection of timber & double glazed garden room. Removal of outbuilding. SPC recommended to APPROVE. Planning permission GRANTED on 26/4/12. | For info. |
| | | P11/W2422 and P11/W2423/LB (LB Consent) - Ash Cottage, School Lane, OX44. Proposed single storey extensions and alterations. SPC responded by 13/4/12 and recommended to APPROVE. Planning permission GRANTED on 1/5/12. | For info. |
| | | P12/S0269 - Orsinval, Newington Road, Stadhampton, OX44 7US. Loft conversion and associated works. SPC to respond by 14/5/12. | For info. For info. |
| | | P12/S0409 - Wholesale Plants, Ascott, Stadhampton, OX44 7UH. Erection of tractor shed / workshop.SPC to respond by 17/5/12. | |
| 077/12 | Treasurers Report (Clerk) | The full report was presented to the AGM meeting. A list of cheques approved and authorised for payment is appended. | For info. |
| | | The first half of the 2012/2013 SODC precept (£5,677) has been received - 1/4/12. | For info. |

| 078/12 | Correspondence | Wittenham Clumps Diamond Jubilee Beacon Party - on the evening of bank holiday Monday, 4 th June a network of over 2,600 Beacons will be lit by communities throughout the UK and the Commonwealth to celebrate the Diamond Jubilee. The Earth Trust and the Wittenham Clumps are very honoured to have been chosen as one of the official Beacon Sites (one of only two such sites in Oxfordshire). Alongside the lighting of the Beacon, there will be a day of activities and celebrations for everyone in the villages and towns around. | For info. |
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| | | Permission requested from Diana Davies to use the village green for parking for a wedding on August 4th. Permission granted subject to normal conditions. | For info. |
| | | Notification of a Skatepark workshop being held at Chalgrove on Saturday May 19th. | For info. |
| | | Notification of a Peace Event being held at Nuneham Park, Nuneham Courtenay on Sat 23rd & Sun 24th June, 2-6pm. Free entry. | For info. |
| | | Clerk to contact the County Council to chase up changes to the Joint User Agreement for the Community Hall (Primary School). | For info. |
| | | Notification that the programme for the Diamond Jubilee celebrations on Sunday June 3rd will be as follows:- • Morning Jubilee Church Service • 12.30 to 2.30 - Big Lunch! • 2.30 Exhibition of Coronation & Jubilee memorabilia • Tea & Cakes • Activities will include a Crown/hat competition and kids games. | For info. |
| 079/12 | Any Other Business | Notification of a Christian Aid collection that will be taking place in the village over the next few weeks. | For Info. |
| 080/12 | Forthcoming 2012 Meetings | Tuesdays May 29th, July 3rd, September 4th, October 2nd and November 6th. All at 7.30pm in the Stadhampton Community Hall (Primary School). | For info. |