# STOKE PARISH COUNCIL



### 50 Pepys Way, Strood, Rochester, Kent, ME2 3LL

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I hereby give notice of a meeting of Stoke Parish Council, to be held in the Village Hall, on Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> October 2023 at 7.00pm, which all members are summoned to attend.

Jenny Allen ~ Clerk 26/09/2023

Part A	Public discussion (not part of the meeting) where any member of the public may discuss any
	item. No motions may be proposed nor decisions taken, but matters raised by the public may
	be placed on the agenda for the next meeting.
Part B	Public discussion on any agenda items. In line with standing order (3) e members of the public
	are permitted to make representations, answer questions and give evidence in respect of any
	item of business included in the agenda. This shall take place at this part of the meeting for a
	maximum of 30 minutes. Following this member of the public are not permitted to speak or
	to take part in the business of the Parish Council.

#### 1. Apologies for absence

Members who cannot attend a meeting shall tender their apologies to the Parish Clerk prior to the meetings, under Section 85(1) of the Local Government Act 1972, the members present must decide whether the reason(s) for a member's absence shall be accepted

#### 2. To receive Declarations of Interest and Dispensations

To receive Declarations of Interest in respect of matters contained in this agenda, in accordance with the provisions of the Localism Act 2011 in respect of members and in accordance with the provisions of the Local Government Act 1972 in respect of officers. To consider any Dispensation requests received by the Parish Clerk and not previously considered.

#### 3. Minutes of the last meeting – Appendix A

- a). To receive and approve the minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> September 2023.
- 4. Matters arising from the minutes (not otherwise on the Agenda)
- 5. Vacancy
  - a). To discuss any applications received relating to the Parish Council's outstanding vacancy.
- 6. Ward Councillor report
  - a). A report by Ward Councillor Chris Spalding.
- 7. | Planning Appendix B
  - a). Applications
  - b). Decisions
  - c). Appeals and Other Matters

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#### 8. Finance - Appendix C

- a). Bank balances
- b). To agree the financial performance against the budget for September 2023.
- c). Accounts paid since the last meeting to be ratified.
- d). Accounts for payment.
- e). Payment requests to be discussed for approval and payment.
- f). To receive an update on the 2022/2023 AGAR.

#### 9. Management of Land and Property - Appendix D

- a). To receive the play park inspection report from the month of September for:
  - i). The Button Drive Playpark (Lower Stoke)
  - ii). The Heron Way Playpark (Lower Stoke)
  - iii). The Street Playpark (Upper Stoke)
- b). Cleaning of play equipment.
- c). Defibrillator
- d). Christmas Tree 2023

#### 10. | Highways, Transport & Upkeep

To receive any reports relating to:

- a). Footpaths
- b). Lighting
- c). Highways and verges
- d). Pot holes
- e). Fly tipping
- f). Grass cutting
- g). Leaking manhole cover on A228 / Grain Road

#### 11. Communications

To receive an update on the following methods of communication:

- a). Website
- b). Social media page
- c). Stoke Parish Council owned tablets

#### 12. Village Hall

a). To receive an update on the status of the Village Hall.

#### 13. External Contractors

a). To discuss and approve any new work requests or discuss any existing orders.

#### 14. Stoke Community Project

a). To receive a report from the Stoke Community Project concerning their latest projects.

#### 15. Flood Update

a). To discuss holding an extraordinary meeting to host a consultation on behalf of Medway Council, regarding their proposed flooding prevention solutions for the Village and surrounding area.

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16.	Local Plan
	a). To discuss the idea of potentially organising a local plan for the village of Stoke.
17.	External Committee Updates
	a). KALC.
	b). Rural Liaison.
18.	Correspondence
19.	Any other business
20.	Date of next meeting
21.	Section 100A(4)
	To resolve that pursuant to Section 100A(4) of the Local Government act 1972 that the public
	be excluded from the following item because it is likely in view of the nature of the business
	to be transacted that if members of the public are present during this item, there would be
	disclosure to them of exempt information as defined in Part 1 of Schedule 12A of the act.
22.	Village Hall's Grant Application for Veolia
23.	Village Hall's Insurance Policy 2023 / 2024
24.	Close of meeting