

STOKE GABRIEL PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes from the Parish Council meeting
held on 28th June 2021 at 7pm

Present; Cllrs Blood, Bullock, Collings, Fletcher, Harris, King, Patch and Tully (Chair)
Dist Cllrs Rowe
4 members of Public & Clerk - Karen Gilbert

The Council welcomed Pat Fletcher as the duly elected Member of the Parish Council and noted that the Acceptance of Office form had been signed and witnessed and that she had been handed the adopted Code of Conduct and Standing Orders. The Chairman thanked her for standing and dedicating time to Parish matters

The Chairman made the following announcement on behalf of the Council and Parishioners

Horace Clements

I would like to send our condolences to Horace's family Eileen and children. Horace has been a great ambassador for Stoke Gabriel with his many interests - 82 years as a Bellringer - Captain for 20 years - with the BBC and Radio Devon local articles. He was also a very keen dart player but above all at the age of 90, he was still attending parish council meetings and offering sound advice to both myself and councillors

He was one of Stoke Gabriel's great characters and will be sorely missed
Thank you Horace - rest in peace

21/06/01 Apologies - Dist Cllr Bastone and Hawkins, Cllr Bridge

21/06/02 Declaration of Interests - Cllr Collings - personal - in 1565/21/HHO as near Neighbour. **Dispensation requests** - None

Standing orders were suspended

21/06/03 - Public participation

A Parishioner commented on the difficulty that the bus driver was experiencing when trying to pass parked vehicles and the problems that was causing to the Bus service and passengers. It was **NOTED** that bigger bus was being used at present because of Covid and also the number of holidaymakers using the service to access the Village and also the Quay

The Chairman thanked him for his comments adding that it would be discussed during the Meeting

21/06/04 - Councillor reports

Cllr Rowe - SHDC - Full report available on request

We held our Annual Full Council Meeting on 21st May at Kilworthy Park at Tavistock, the headquarters of West Devon Council as their Council Chamber is able to accommodate 35 persons safely. We were all in our separate see through plastic screen cubicles, but at least we actually had live face to face meeting after 15 months. We have a new Chairman of Council, Cllr. Richard Foss who represents Stokenham and Strete Ward on the Council. Cllr. Lance Austin is the New Vice Chairman and he comes from Ivybridge. Cllr. Tom Holway from Ugborough and Ermington has now joined the executive as there has been a member vacancy since the very sad death of Cllr. David May.

Unfortunately the New so called Super Recycling Service which started at the beginning of April has not gone as well as we would have hoped it would. Officers and The Council's Executive Members are having regular weekly meetings and working with F.C.C. to get all the problems sorted A.S.A.P. which meantime means that the last 8,000.00 properties not yet on the new system have been put on hold until later in July. And these properties cannot put food waste in the Brown Bin; it must go in the Grey Bin. The Brown Bin is for Garden Waste only. We have had two meetings recently, one a Special Full Council Meeting to work towards a satisfactory outcome. The outcome is that the contractors state that there is a shortage of H.G.V. Drivers, they did not allow for the extra vehicles needed to collect all the waste with more recycling. A plan has been put in place to work on the missed collections and in the last week this has gone from 200 to about 30 a

day reported .There is information regarding this on the Council's website and to report missed collections.

Dist Cllr Bastone - Report available upon request

Standing orders were re-instated

21/06/05- Minutes from previous meetings

The Minutes from the Stoke Gabriel Parish Council meeting held on 26th April and 5th May 2021 - ALSO EGM 21/6/21 - were agreed by the Council & signed by the Chairman - all in agreement.

21/06/06 - Highways

a) To discuss the problems caused by parking on New Road and decide on a way forward

It was **AGREED** that Cllr King contact Highways / Cllr Hawkins to ascertain potential remedies

b) To renew the Lengthsman contract

It was **AGREED** to issue a new annual Contract under the same terms

c) To agree a method to control weed growth in the Parish

The Public feeling regarding spraying the weeds was **NOTED** .

The current Lengthsman and grass cutter were unable to provide a hand weeding service .

It was **NOTED** that anyone taking on this work would require Chapter 8 training

It was **AGREED** to form a working party to research the possibility of taking on someone to hand clear the weeds

21/06/07 Finance

a) To consider a request for a donation towards the Church Clock repair from Parish Funds

The Clerk confirmed that the Parish Council could contribute through a S137 grant - whilst Church fabric can not be considered , it was acceptable to grant monies to the repair of a clock as it was of benefit to all religious persuasions

It was **NOTED** that the fundraising concluded at the end of July

ACTION ; CLERK TO APPROACH CHURCHWARDEN / TREASURER FOR FINANCIAL UPDATE IN JULY

ACTION ; CLERK TO AGENDA AGAIN FOR 07/21

It was **AGREED** that a cheque for £496.00 be drawn from the Scoble legacy toward the stone carving

21/06/08 - Clerk's report

a) Adoption of Asset Register Policy - **NOTED AND ADOPTED**

b) Risk assessment for return to Face to face meeting **NOTED AND ADOPTED**

The Clerk advised that there were potential plans for a MUGA at the school's field to be funded from SHDC 106 monies at Gabriel Court . The Clerk had previously emailed a draft plan to all Councillors

SHDC had sought agreement in principle from the Parish Council and opinion regarding Community use

ACTION ; CLERK TO INFORM THAT THE COUNCIL AGREED IN PRINCIPLE - ASKING THAT TERMS OF COMMUNITY USAGE BE AGREED AT AN EARLY STAGE

Scoble legacy

a) to receive updates on projects in hand

Cllr King advised that the third draft of the map of the Parish was being prepared following comments re footpaths would not be ready until the Autumn

A cheque for £496.00 in payment of the stone for the salmon sculpture had been drawn

Cllr King was obtaining quotes for the amendments to the Fencing at Anthony's gate

b) to receive suggestions /costings for potential projects and decide if to progress -
Hoyle Copse interpretation board

c) To consider a grant to the Church Clock restoration

Cllrs King and Collings commented that this was not a suitable project

21/06/10- To receive a report & update - Community Building

Cavanna had contacted the Clerk to advise that works at now complete and to invite the Council to view . It was **AGREED** that this invitation might be accepted after the response to previous points / matters / questions was received and analysed

CLERK TO RESPOND ACCORDINGLY

21/06/11 .To receive written costings for crab line bins and approve

It was **NOTED** that this had been financed by business sponsorship

21/06/12 - . To consider responses to correspondence received

a) Update on proposed works to War memorial area

It was **AGREED** that Cllr Collings prepares list of works required / desired for use in obtaining quotes

ACTION ; CLERK TO INFORM PARISHIONER

b) Complaint on lack of publicity for PC bi-election 24/6/21

It was noted that the documentation surrounding the election was advertised on the Noticeboard , the PC website , the PC Face Book page and also the SG Neighbours Facebook

The FB posts reached almost 500 members

The turnout for the election reached just under 22 % - which is about average for a Parish Council election with bi-elections often showing a lower figure

It was also noted that the bi election for a vacancy on Ivybridge Town Council - held on the same day - showed a turnout of just 10.52%

ACTION ; CLERK TO WRITE TO PARISHIONER OF ACTIONS TAKEN

c) Anthony Mangnall MP email to support request to change constituency name from Totnes to South Devon

It was **AGREED** that Stoke Gabriel Parish Council write to **SUPPORT** this proposal

21/06/13 Planning

1685/21/TCA Mrs Yunnie. T1: Ash - Fell due to ash dieback. TO NOTE

Oakridge Stoke Hill Stoke Gabriel TQ9 6SF **NOTED**

1565/21/HHO Ms Karen Bizon. **NEW DRAWINGS**

Householder application for replacement and alterations to existing windows, enlargement of balcony and opening and replacement of balustrading

The Boathouse Mill Hill Stoke Gabriel TQ9 6RD - **OBJECTION**

1588/21/FUL

READVERTISEMENT (Revised plans received) Application for change of use from private dwelling into two private homes

Crosse House. **NO OBJECTION**

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Mill Hill

Stoke Gabriel. **NO OBJECTION**

TO BE DISCUSSED IN July 2021

2078/21/FUL Mr Vershal Relan

Nine new homes and associated access (Resubmission of 0779/20/FUL)

Land At Sx 852 578 Paignton Road Stoke Gabriel

21/06/14V. To receive brief reports on Parish assets

- a) **Toilets** - Cllr Patch and Cllr Blood confirmed that they were looking at quotes for the refurbishing of the Toilet block and would report back in due course

- b) **b) Playground** Cllr King advised that she was still obtaining comparable quotes and should be in a position to present for a decision in July

- c) **Orchard** - Cllr King was asked to obtain quotes for a new 5 bar gate . It was **NOTED** that the hedge by this gate needed cutting

- d) **Benches** - It was **NOTED** that due to timber shortages / increased costs , it was difficult to source well made benches
The Chairman suggested trying recycled plastic resin benches - as used by many Authorities and organisations - needing no maintenance and fade resistant
ACTION ; CLLR TULLY TO PRODUCE MORE DETAILS

Hoyle Copse - Parishioner comments

The emails from a Parishioner had been circulated to all

It was **AGREED** that an agenda'd meeting be arranged with the Parishioner with a view to discussing outstanding issues in full

Next Full Council meeting Monday 26th July at 7pm in the Village Hall

There being no further business , the Meeting closed at 8.50pm