

STOKE GABRIEL PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes from the Parish Council meeting held on 25th July 2022 at 7.00 pm
Present; Cllrs Blood Callaghan ,Collings , Fletcher and King ,
Patch from 7.20pm
Dist Cllr Rowe , County Cllr Hawkins 4 members of Public & Clerk - Karen Gilbert

22/07/01. Apologies - Cllrs Tully , Harris and Bridge - reasons approved - and Cllr Bastone

22/07/02 Declaration of Interests - None

22/07/03 Dispensation requests - None

Standing orders were suspended

22/07/04 - Public participation

A Member of the Public commented on the length of the grass in the Community Field near Hoyle Copse and how it could be a fire hazard

Another Parishioner asked whether any progress had been made regarding the provision of another Burial ground - none made to date

22/07/05 - Councillor reports

Cllr Rosemary Rowe SHDC. - written report - Full report available upon request

So after months of discussions and speculation as to what might happen S.H.D.C. & F.C.C. have come to a mutual agreement to terminate the Waste Contract with effect from the 3rd October 2022.this will include all waste/recycling /street cleaning/toilet cleaning

Ward members will be consulted on the reorganisation of collection rounds so that all properties in one road / street are as far is possible on the same round. As we know in Stoke Gabriel adjoining properties in the same areas have been on a different collection, on a different day which makes no sense at all. This has taken up too much time and expense of vehicles going over the same ground for different round collections.

So we hope that this will work much better and provide our residents with the service which they deserve.

There is a new planning service being introduced from today for Ward Members and Parish clerks to fast track queries on planning Applications .but this service is not for the use of the general public.

We have been working our way through The Council's Updated Constitution, all 200 + pages of it.!

We have considered and agreed a report with a programme to install Solar Panels on the Fusion leisure Centres to assist with the energy supplies as the cost of running these is escalating via the cost of running the pools.

S106 monies .The Availability of these has been reviewed .In Stoke Gabriel the Scout Hut / Cricket club and Play areas have received funding. However there is still money available to any organisation who would like to apply to update / improve facilities.

Localities Officers continue to be out and about .in many areas street cleaning is a problem which it is hoped will improve when the contract is back in house with S.H.D.C.

There is much more information on many ongoing projects on the Council's Website. Including Finance for Free ports for which the Western End of the district is hoping to benefit.

Dist Cllr Bastone - Full report available

County Cllr Hawkins

Cllr Hawkins advised that the HATOC meeting at DCC had been postponed until November - due to the unprecedented response on the Dartmouth Proposals . Cllr Hawkins commented on the Devon County Council Budget for 2022/23 where several expenditure streams were nearly exhausted - despite it being relatively early in the Financial year

Standing orders were re-instated

22/07/06- Minutes from previous meetings

The Minutes from the Stoke Gabriel Parish Council meetings held on 21st June and 27th June 2022 were signed as a correct record..

22/07/07 - Highways

a) Meeting with PCSO re speed (Bridge / Tully). REPORT DEFERRED to 09/22

b) Road warden scheme - The Clerk and Cllr Hawkins explained the scheme - its benefits and pitfalls . It was **AGREED** by all that this scheme was too onerous and that the local lengthsmen was a better option . It was **NOTED** that the present contractor may not be in a position to continue and that the Council should prepare to tender for another should this prove correct It was also **AGREED** that the Clerk investigate Chapter 8 training again

ACTION ; CLLR FLETCHER TO LIAISE WITH THE LENGTHSMAN

ACTION ; CLERK TO SOURCE CHAPTER 8 TRAINING

ACTION : CLERK TO CHASE HIGHWAYS RE FIELD OWNERSHIP / WORDING OF LETTER

c) not applicable

22/07/08 Finance -

25/7/22	Karen Gilbert	107.68		107.68	Expense July 2022
25/7/22	Plandscape	780.00	156.00	936.00	Grass June 2022
25/7/22	M King	132.00		132.00	Repairs to playground
25/7/22	A Wood	945.00		945.00	Fence to Churchyard (A Hudson)
25/7/22	Karen Gilbert	269.99		269.99	Balance of salary - July
25/7/22	HMRC	93.67		93.67	Tax NI June / July 22
25/7/22	Torbay Janitorial servs	234.00		234.00	Toilet cleaning - June 2022

a) Cheques approved by all

22/07/09 Clerk's report

- a) To delegate emergency decisions and payments during the August recess to the Clerk (after consultation with the Chairman) - **AGREED**
- b). To set up a Staffing Committee - It was **AGREED** that it compares Cllrs King , Collings , Callaghan and Blood .

It was **AGREED** that the Clerk be placed into the Local Government Pension scheme - as per her contract

It was **AGREED** that the Clerk draw up Terms of reference for the Staffing Committee

- c) To agree to my temporary absence and apologies for my absence. Please accept my apologies for the next six months of meetings, with effect from the September 2022 meeting. I request you add my apologies to the respective agendas and for approval of those apologies by the Council.

The reasons are personal and due to a temporary move to Australia. Whilst at this point, it is too soon to determine how long I will be absent, should the council agree to this arrangement I will remain an active participant in Council business via email. (Councillor Fletcher). **AGREED**

The Clerk **AGREED** to contact Landscape regarding the standard of grass cutting

Cllr Blood **AGREED** to pursue the potential Police Hub location

22/07/10 - COMMUNITY BUILDING

Cllr Harris obtained some Quotes for the conveyancing and for the production of a lease

It was **AGREED** to use the services of WBW solicitors at a cost of £6920 inc VAT

ACTION ; CLLR HARRIS TO PROVIDE CLERK WITH ALL CORRES / CONTACTS REGARDING THESE QUOTES

ACTION ; CLERK TO FIRM UP QUOTE FROM WBW AND ASK THEM TO PROCEED

22/07/11 - To discuss the Open space facility at Rowe's Meadow & restrictions recently imposed by Livewest

It had been reported that residents of the Housing Association - Live West had placed restrictions of residents of Rowe's Meadow with regard to the use of outdoor space

After suitable discussion , it was **AGREED** that the Clerk contact LiveWest for clarification

ACTION ; CLERK TO CONTACT LIVWEST RE USE OF OUTDOOR SPACE

22/07/12 - To discuss progress of the PCC easement with regards to the Orchard

The Clerk explained that the matter of this easement - drainage into orchard from the Church - had been ongoing for over 5 years . The Solicitor's practice originally used had been taken over by WBW

The Chairman signed a form authorising WBW to proceed . It was **NOTED** that all costs would be borne by Stoke Gabriel PCC

22/07/13 - To consider a response to consultation regarding Parishioner plan to create a small 0.5 hectare native woodland on their own farm. - NO OBJECTION

ACTION ; CLERK TO REQUEST SITE VISIT FOR COUNCILLORS

22/05/14 - Planning matters

The Council ratified the following responses

<u>2137/22/FUL Mrs Tracey Prust</u>
Change of use from dwelling into two dwellings (Resubmission of 1588/21/FUL Appeal ref: APP/K1128/W/21/3288159)
Crosse House Mill Hill Stoke Gabriel TQ9 6RB NO OBJECTION
<u>2359/22/CCN Mr Steve Lissemore - Camping & Caravanning Club</u>
Caravan Club Notification of proposed exempted camp site ref THS851/2023of proposed temporary holiday campsite comprising maximum number of 40units per night including all tents and caravans from 01/09/2023 to 24/09/2023 (23 nights only)

Broadleigh Farm Coombe House Lane Aish Stoke Gabriel TQ9 6PU ALREADY DECIDED
<u>1159/22/HHO Mr & Mrs M. Marlow</u>
Householder application for single storey extension to rear of existing dwelling
12 Long Rydon Stoke Gabriel TQ9 6QH NO OBJECTION - MATERIALS / COLOUR TO MATCH
<u>1698/22/TCA Mr A Showell. TO NOTE</u>
T1: Cedrus alantica - Fell and replant with the same or similar tree, due to neighbouring trees being felled, over a third of the crown is missing with no chance of regeneration this tree will remain a poor specimen with little amenity value.
Lotus Complex Paignton Road Stoke Gabriel Devon TQ9 6SL. NOTED

22/06/13 - To receive brief reports on Parish assets

- a) **Toilets** - DEFER TO 09/22
- b) **b) Playground** It was **AGREED** that South Hams continue with the monthly inspections at a cost of £210 + Vat it was **AGREED** that Al Hudson replace the bark by the little house in the Playground at a cost of £222 inc Labour
- c) **c) Orchard** - It was **NOTED** that the fence between the orchard and Graveyard had been put right and now met the approval of the PCC . It was **NOTED** that the Spirit of Stoke Gabriel had been renovated by the Hoyle Copse gang - to whom the Parish Council gave its thanks Cllr King advised that she was in negotiation / research stage regarding a sensory garden project in the Orchard but there would be more details to come
It was **AGREED** that the New birdbath would be officially unveiled on 4th September
- d) **d) Hoyle Copse - Boundary complaint**
Cllr Callaghan had provided a draft letter for the Clerk to send to the Complainant .
It was **AGREED** that this be sent

Date/time of next meeting 30th September 2022

There being no further business , the Meeting closed at 8.20 pm