# **Stoke Gabriel Parish Council**

## Draft minutes.

A meeting of Stoke Gabriel Parish Council was held on

### Monday 26<sup>th</sup> February 2024 at 7p.m. in the Village Hall, Stoke Gabriel.

Present .Cllrs.M.Collings , A. Blood ,E.Bridge, L.Grant , M.King,J.Woodfield, and County and District Cllr.J.Hawkins and district Cllr.G.Yardy. The Clerk and 5 members of the public.

In the absence of the Chairman ,The Vice chairman Cllr.Collings took the chair.

## AGENDA

### 01. To elect a new Councillor and signing of necessary papers.

## Mr. Ian Simmons had come forward to join the council and was duly accepted and signed the necessary papers.

02- Apologies were received from Cllr.R.Harris.

03. Any Declarations of interests. None declared.

04 To approve any Dispensation requests. None.

The Council to adjourn for the business.

**Public Participation**. A period of 10 minutes will be allowed for members of the public to ask questions or make comment regarding the work of the council or items on the Agenda.

A resident spoke on the problems of parking in the vicinity of Duncannon Lane. Cty Cllr. Hawkins has agreed to meet and discuss if anything can be done to solve the problem of local residents to the area.

05. District and County Cllr's reports.

Cllr.Yardy had submitted a detailed report which is on the P.C.Website. Cllr.Hawkins mentioned County Council budget setting.72% of which is spent on social services both children and adult care. Road works, drainage issues and The Devolution bid between Devon and Torbay Councils.

The Council will reconvene to conduct the following Business.

06. **Minutes of Previous Meeting**. To consider, amend if necessary and approve the minutes of the Full Council meeting held on the 29<sup>th</sup> January 2024. These were approved and duly signed by the acting Chairman.

#### 07. Matters arising from the previous Meeting Minutes.

Matters were dealt with as items on the Agenda.

08. Moving the Welcome to Stoke Gabriel stone sign at Four Cross to The Quay . It has a connection to The Salmon Fishing. A discussion took place between members and it was proposed and seconded that the sign should be left where it is. A vote was taken and all members were in favour. A second proposal was made and seconded to have a new sign on the Quay in relation to the Salmon Fishing to be financed from The Anthony Scoble legacy if the family are in agreement. A vote was taken and all members were in favour. The working party will meet and report back at the next P.C.Meeting.

09. Footpaths.

09.1. To consider the removal of Signs off Byter Mill Lane running alongside The Mill Pool development.

This is not a public right of way and the signs erected at the entrance to the footpath will be removed. This was proposed and seconded by members. A vote was taken and six members were in favour with one abstention. The foreshore to which the path leads also has a walkway across it. The Landowner has agreed to remove the boarding and slabs. A notice will be put up by the Landowner to indicate that people use it at their own risk.

Also to remove the sign at The Slipway on The Quay as the Council do not own the land to which it refers. It was proposed and seconded by members that the sign should be removed .The slipway is not owned by the P.C. A vote was taken and all were in favour.

10 .To receive updates on access improvements on Hoyle Copse and The Orchard.

Cllr.Grant reported that work is in progress with the contractor to open up the access ramp to allow machinery to gain access for necessary works to take place as and when necessary.

11. To receive updates on the progress being made with renovation of the Toilets.

Cllr.Woodfield is moving forward on this with Architects and arranging to meet up soon.

#### 12. Financial matters

To receive a report of payments made during February to date.

West Country Landscapes. £ 1,236.00

A.Vinten gate repair H/Copse £ 280.00

L.Grant lock and chain H/C gate	£ 48.36	
Julie Goodhall sign	£ 48.00	VAT = £8.00
I.C.O. Subscription.	£ 35.00	
River Dart Galleries printing Cllrs. H/Book	£ 11.70	
R.Rowe clerks salary.	£784.68	
Toilet A/C.		
Torbay Janitorial toilet cleaners	£312.00	VAT = £ 52.00
Receipts.		

C.A.P.Caring rent	£ 750.00
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13. Clerk's Report.

The clerk reported that she sends emails as received to members on a regular basis. The Council had received an email asking if it wishes to have a free portrait of the King. To which it would accept the offer. Most emails relate to planning, enforcements, benches, footpaths and training.

14. Planning Matters

To receive recommendations of the Planning Working Party held on Monday 19<sup>tH</sup> February 2024.

The chairman took members through the two applications which were considered at the P.W.P.Meeting the notes had already been circulated.

Application 2796/23/FUL Hill Mount, Hillfield, Stoke Gabriel.TQ9 6SH. For a new dwelling. Members were minded to recommend approval subject to access, parking and ecology reports.

Application 3778/23/FUL. Dart View, Coombe House Lane Stoke Gabriel, TQ9.Forextensions, part demolition, and construction of triple garage and stall building. Members were minded to recommend approval subject to the stable block being used as intended and not turned into an Air B. & B.The proposed extension roof height not to be above the existing roof height.

15. Parish Benches.

To consider the cost of replacing wooden benches with recycled plastic benches and to agree those that need replacing.

Cllr.Grant has been looking at these. He and Cllr.Simmons will go through the list so that any replacing can take place. A proposal was made and seconded that the P.C .would remains to have replacements in wood. A vote was taken and all were in favour.

16. To review progress made to update Parish Council Policies, Risk Assessment, Emergency Planning, Business Continuity Planning, Assets register and others which may need to be considered.

Cllr .Blood is working on this and has reviewed and updated policies as necessary. Work needs to be done to write up the emergency plan to date.

17. A.O.B.

There being no further business the meeting closed at 8 p.m.

Date of the next meeting is Monday 25th March 2024

Rosemary Rowe.

Clerk Stoke Gabriel Parish Council.