

Stoke Gabriel Parish Council

A meeting of Stoke Gabriel Parish Council was held on

Monday 30th September 2024 at 7 p.m. in the Village Hall, Stoke Gabriel.

Members present. Cllrs. E. Bridge, M. Collings (chairman) L. Grant, R. Harris, M. King, I. Simmons, & J. Woodfield. The Clerk & County and District Cllr. Hawkins & District Cllr. G. Yardy + 1 member of the public.

AGENDA

01- Apologies. None were received.

02. Declarations of interests. None declared.

03 To approve any Dispensation requests. No request made.

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.

The member of the public attending Mr. Harvey Blowers had expressed an interest in joining the Parish Council. He was duly accepted and signed the necessary papers. He was then invited to take his seat at the table. Members of the Council introduced themselves.

04. District and County Cllr`s reports.

Cllr. Yardy had submitted a detailed report which is available on the P.C. Website. He mentioned some of the key points. Cllr. Hawkins mentioned his delight at attending the Village carnival this year and was informed it would be the 50th Carnival in 2025. He reiterated Cllr. Yardy`s report. There is a meeting of S.W.W.A. at Follaton House on the 17th October if anyone has any questions for them then can contact Cllr. Hawkins.

The Council will reconvene to conduct the following Business.

05. **Minutes of Previous Meeting.** To consider, amend if necessary and approve the minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on the 29th July 2024. Duly done.

06. **Matters arising from the previous Meeting Minutes.**

Some matters arising may be agenda items.

07. To receive information on the progress of the Toilet Renovation Programme.

A builder has been engaged to do the work and it is hoped to start before Christmas.

08. To receive any information on the completion of the Neighbourhood Plan.

Cllr.King had attended a conference on N.P. 's & a discussion was had with ref. To either get on and get it done or forget about it. information at hand to be circulated and a specific meeting arranged to sort out what to do.

09. To receive an update on Speed Watch and Interactive Signs within the Village and the Chapter 8 training.

Speed Watch. Cllr. Harris reported that 5 people have come forward and completed the course .A site has been allocated to allow speed checks to take place. Interactive signage is still ongoing. Chapter 8 training will be completed soon for the 3 participants to qualify.

10. To receive an update on the work on The Wall of The Parish Orchard adjoining Coombe Shute. & work and repairs needed to the Play Park in the Orchard.

It has been established that the wall is the P.C. 's responsibility and quotes are being sort to have it repaired. The play park matting replacement is very expensive. Should it be replaced or continue with repairs? The P.C. will have to make a decision at some point.

11. To receive any information on the security cameras on the Quay.

The Parish Council will not be involved with this anymore.

12. To receive information on the Grass & hedge cutting at various sites.

Cllr.King reported that West Country Landscapes contract ends in January and the owner has offered the P.C. a further 2 years contract at the same price for the main grass cutting around the village. Other areas are done from time to time and paid for separately. It was proposed by Cllr .King and sec. By Cllr. Woodfield that this be accepted. All were in favour.

13. Report of the Parish Benches.

Cllr.Simmons reported that he has requests for 3 new benches to be sponsored and placed in position. These have been ordered and will be done.

14. Report on the Parish Footpaths.

Cllr.Grant reported that he has walked all the foot paths and there are no problems. The cut through from Flood Street to Vicarage Road needs a trim and a sign there needs attention.

He did however raise the issue of Dog Fouling and the use of Montana Dog spray to raise awareness of Dog Poo on pavements on the Primary School route. It was agreed to trail this.

15. To receive an update on The Hoyle Copse entrance off Aish Road.

Cllr.Grant reported that the gate had been sorted.

16. To agree for drains to be cleared of debris ready for the winter.

Cllr.King had obtained a quote from Exjet which was reasonable. Other companies had been asked to quote but not replied. It was proposed by Cllr.king and seconded by Cllr.Bridge that this quote be accepted. All in favour.

17. Financial matters.

17 .a) To receive a report of payments made and received during August and September to date.

The Parish Council Financial statements for August and September had been circulated to members prior to the meeting and can be viewed on the P.C. Website. V.A.T. re claims have been completed ready for submission to the end of September 2024.

17 .b) To receive the completion of the External Audit of Accounts for 2023/2024.

The External Audit has been completed and on time. This can be viewed on the P.C.Website.

18. Clerk's Report.

Matters which the clerk had been contacted on and action taken as necessary included requests for benches in various locations, hedge and grass cutting, financial matters. The S.G.B.A. information for vehicular access to the foreshore from 27th October to 2nd November for removal of boats as necessary. Many emails received of interest are circulated to members on a daily basis for their information.

19. Planning Matters.

19. a) To receive recommendations of the Planning Working Party held earlier in the evening.

19. b) Application 3014/23/HHO Polweir, Byter Mill Lane, Stoke Gabriel, TQ9 6RH. Householder Application for raised roof and extension to outbuilding. No objection.

19. c) Application 2477/24/HHO Willow Cottage, Hoyle Lane, Stoke Gabriel. TQ9 6QW. Part retrospective householder Application for conversion to habitable room. No objection.

19. d) Application 2731/24/TPO Orchard Lees, Vicarage Close, Stoke Gabriel. TQ9 6QT.

19. e) Application 2907/24/TCA 2, Chapel Court, Stoke Gabriel. TQ9 6SN.

These 2 Applications have had comments submitted to the Planning Dept. At S.H.D.C. By the Tree warden.

19.f) Applications approved by South Hams District Council.

Application 1886/24/VAR Aish Cross House, Aish, Stoke Gabriel. TQ9 6PT.

Application 2142/24/TCA Mill Hill, Stoke Gabriel.TQ9 6RD.

Application 2174/ 24/TPO. Croft Cottage, Duncannon Mead, Stoke Gabriel.TQ9 6QZ.

Application 2283/24/HHO 1, Rydon Acres, Stoke Gabriel.TQ9 6QJ

Application 3435/22/ARM land at Four Cross, Paignton Road, Stoke Gabriel.

A member questioned the allocation of the S106 monies for Affordable Housing. It was discussed and the S106 Officer at S.H.D.C. will be contacted for information.

19.g) Application Refused.

Application 1021/24/FUL Woods House, Stoke Gabriel.TQ9 6

19. h)To consider the Officers report Case No. 028134 Ref. Gabriel Court Drainage. This matter has been inspected and closed by an officer of S.H.D.C. Members of the Parish Council are not happy with this decision and will ask for the case to be reopened, and ask for a site meeting to reconsider the issues of flooding particularly to the Public Toilets.

20. Date of next Parish Council Meeting Monday October 28th 2024.

The meeting closed at 8.30 p.m.

Rosemary Rowe.

Clerk to Stoke Gabriel Parish Council