

Stokeinteignhead Parish Council

MINUTES

FOR THE MEETING HELD ON TUESDAY 11 NOVEMBER 2014
IN THE COMMITTEE ROOM, STOKEINTEIGNHEAD VILLAGE HALL

Present: Cllrs Fearn (Chairman), French, Horton, Spencer-Small and Stoneman, Cllr Clarence (TDC/DCC), PCSO C Rider
Apologies: Cllrs Dagworthy, Hancock and Toomer
Also present: Kim Ford (Locum Clerk), 13 members of the Public

No	Subject	Comments
1a	Opening:	The Chairman opened the meeting at 8.00 followed by 2 minutes silence to reflect on the loss of lives in many conflicts.
1b	Apologies:	It was RESOLVED to APPROVE the apologies of Cllr. Hancock, Cllr. Dagworthy & Cllr. Toomer
2	Declaration of Interests:	Cllr. Horton declared and interest to item 5c.
<i>The Chairman suspended standing orders for the following items:</i>		
3a	<u>Public Question Time:</u>	Members of the public requested that the allocated 5 minutes is deferred until after reports from Cty. Cllr. Clarence and the Flooding Committee are provided.
3b	<u>Police Report</u>	STOKEINTEIGNHEAD POLICE LOGS for the PERIOD 13/10/14 to 10/11/14 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Personal attack alarm sounding at property. All in order. Defective battery. STOKEINTEIGNHEAD CRIMES for the PERIOD 13/10/14 to 10/11/14 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Theft of an Apple iPod touch from an instructor at riding stables. • Criminal damage to a railing surrounding decking.
3d	<u>Neighbourhood Watch Report</u>	Cllr. Toomer sent a brief report that a further 5 volunteer contacts have come forward in addition to Mr. B. Stanley and Cllr. Toomer.
3c	<u>County and District Councillors' Reports</u>	Cllr. Clarence gave a detailed report, reading in full an email received from Martin Hutchings, DCC, dated 27.10.14 (Appendix A). He expressed great concern to this and reported the additional meeting held with the Parish Council on 05.11.14 at which it was resolved for the Parish Council to write to M. Hutchings to express their concerns. Cllr. Clarence read out this letter, sent 10.11.14 (Appendix B), and the response received the same day (Appendix C). In addition he read out a Parish Council briefing note from Jessica Bott of DCC (appendix D) following her meeting with Robin Selby. In summary he reported that the provision of a new 9 inch drain would be a good solution but it would lie too close to house foundations; to lay such pipework would require expertise great than that within the community. DCC have reported they will be clearing buddle holes but many in Stoke felt this was not enough to protect the village.
7	Flooding - Emergency Plan -	Cllr. French provided the following report from the Flood Committee meeting of 06.11.14: <i>For the short term clearing debris and silt from drains and buddle holes is good but this needs to be a regular activity. Until a long term solution is in place and it's a scheme involving civil engineered plans, keeping on top of the drain clearing is the best that can be done by the community. Drains/pipes near the village hall have been cleared recently; it was felt this was satisfactory.</i> Cllr. Fearn reported that due to many emails flying around regarding flooding issues he had particular concern regarding the level of liability which could fall on the Parish Council so he called the extra meeting on 05.11.14 kindly attended by Cllr. Clarence. It was agreed to send a letter to Martin Hutchings, (Appendix B). Cllr. Horton expressed disbelief and questioned the need to close the road for drain/pipe work. He felt the main problem stemmed from Dean Road; that the buddle holes there were still blocked. It was resolved for the Clerk to chase this action as previously reported to the DCC Highways Community Liasion Officer, Vicki Simmons. Cllr. Fearn reported that Doe Fitsimmons, DCC, had been invited to the December PC meeting, awaiting response.

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	<u>Public Question Time</u>	<p>A resident questioned the use of £5K that had been previously stated available. Cllr. Clarence explained that this was for households to apply for and use on an individual basis. The community had decided to bid collectively for funding they were due to receive.</p> <p>The location of re-joining the stream was questioned; why not further back using a new shorter route now available? Cllr. Stoneman suggested this could be due to the fall. Again the issue being that drawings have not been provided or plans explained.</p> <p>Resident expressed disappointment at having been left waiting too long for any action. Cllr. Clarence agreed that there is too much talk and paperwork but not enough action.</p> <p>The possibility of reconvening the meeting of Cllrs and officers, as that held in April 2014, was broached; For this meeting to be hosted by TDC again and attended by MP A.M.Morris as well as a representative from SWW on this occasion. It was felt that this should not be open to the public, but a meeting for the public at the Village Hall should follow. Residents wanted short term options to be addressed as these had not been included in J. Bott's PC briefing.</p> <p>Cllr. Fearn re-iterated the concerns of the Parish Council and that they were trying their best. It was resolved to attempt to meet with DCC officers such as M. Hutchings and N. Boulton for short term solutions to be explained and for these actions to be encouraged.</p>
<i>The Chairman resumed standing orders to conduct the following business:</i>		
4	To consider, amend as agreed by the Council and approve the minutes of the following meetings: 14 October 2014	It was RESOLVED to APPROVE the minutes. To be posted on noticeboards & website.
5	PLANNING To consider planning applications received:	
a	14/03001/FUL - 15 Pools Weir - Single storey rear and side extension	No objections (5:0)
b	14/02966/CAN - Langham, Deane Road - Pruning of two trees	Planning permission already granted by TDC.
c	14/02840/FUL - 2 The Brake , Ridge Road - Change of use of agricultural land to domestic curtilage and creation of new gated access and driveway	Cllr. Horton left the room for the duration of these discussions. No objection (4:0)
d	14/03129/FUL - Blackleigh Farm - Change of use of land to builders yard, siting of a scaffolding rack and renovation and alterations to existing building	Strongly against (5:0) Clerk to provide the following reason to TDC: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • It goes against Undeveloped Coast policy of the Teignbridge Local Plan, adopted 2014 • Overdevelopment in the countryside • Agricultural land should not be used for commercial vehicles • Concern that postal address code could be provided in the future; do not want commercial or residential buildings at this agricultural site
e	14/03294/AGR – Riverside Poultry Farm - Erection of an implement store.	No objection (5:0) Members requested the Clerk forward this application to Bishopsteignton Parish Council.
6	Finance: To agree half year accounts - To agree payment accounts - Allocate Funding -	<p>It was RESOLVED to APPROVE half year 2014/15 accounts</p> <p>It was RESOLVED to APPROVE accounts for payment</p> <p>It was RESOLVED to APPROVE (5:0) the issue of £800 grant each to Stokeinteignhead Village Hall and Church.</p>

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11	Twinnings' Report	Cllr. French gave a brief report from the Twinning Group. They held their AGM on 03.11.14 and there are to be no changes to the officers this year. A Christmas lunch to be held on 14.12.14 for members and invited guests. Wine and Cheese evening planned for January and a quiz in March. Dates to be confirmed.
12	Village Post Office Signs	A brief discussion on the history of the signpost without any action being agreed.
13	Public Question Time: 10 minutes	No further questions.
14	Clerks Report	The Clerk reported details of the Town and Parish Funding opportunities and provided application paperwork to the Chairman.
15	To note correspondence received	None was received.
16	To note the next meeting is to be held on: Tuesday 9 December 2014	This was NOTED.