

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF STOKEINTEIGNHEAD PARISH COUNCIL
TUESDAY 12 JANUARY 2016 AT STOKEINTEIGNHEAD VILLAGE HALL COMMITTEE ROOM

Present: Cllrs French (Chair), Dagworthy, Horton, Setter, Simmons, Stanley and Stoneman
 PCSO Colin Rider
 Cllr Clarence (County and District Councillor)

Apologies: Cllr Small

Also present: Rachel Avery (Clerk), 8 members of the Public

No	Subject	Comments
1	The Chairman will open the Meeting and receive apologies.	Cllr French opened the meeting at 19.44. It was RESOLVED to APPROVE the apologies of Cllr Small.
2	To declare any interests arising at this meeting.	There were no interests declared.
	<i>The Council will adjourn for the following items:</i>	
3	<p><u>Public Question Time:</u> A period of 5 minutes will be allowed for members of the public to ask questions or make comment regarding the work of the Council or other items that affect Stokeinteignhead.</p> <p><u>County and District Councillors' Reports</u></p> <p><u>Police Report</u></p> <p><u>Neighbourhood Watch Report</u></p>	<p>It was asked whether the Parish Council are going to consider paying for a Parish Lengthsman. Cllr Dagworthy suggested that direct employment would cost the Parish Council a lot of money, however a sub-contracted person would work better and that perhaps the Parish Council could consider this. Cllr Horton explained that individuals should be ensuring drains are clear also. It was suggested that a note be posted to residents asking them to consider the clearance of drains. This would be discussed. Action: Agenda item for February. Cllr Clarence provided an in depth report on what has happened in the last year at Teignmouth and Shaldon, including regeneration of the fish quay and the employment units behind Morrisons. It was NOTED that the Newton Abbot Market has been purchased by TDC. The South Devon Link Road is now open to the Public and a new University College has been built in Newton Abbot. The District Council are trying to generate as much gross income as possible due to the cuts in Government funding. TDC is looking at a successful future for Newton Abbot. The new recycling scheme also appears to be successful. It was NOTED that the County Council would be increasing council tax by 1.95% and accepting an increase offered by Government of 2%. This would be to help with the Social Services budget. The County Councils debt stands at £503m.</p> <p><u>STOKEINTEIGNHEAD POLICE LOGS for the PERIOD 08/12/15 to 10/01/16</u> Report of a missing person. Found in good order. Report of an abandoned 999 call. Found to be children playing with the phone. Report of a large lorry stuck at Arch Brook that may have damaged the bridge. Nothing located and no damage seen. Broken down and abandoned vehicle causing problems at Ridge Road.</p> <p><u>STOKEINTEIGNHEAD CRIMES for the PERIOD 08/12/15 to 10/01/16</u> None. Cannabis farm at the top of Forches Hill- on Spotlight last night It was NOTED that there is still no website at the moment, however it is hoped that there will be in the very near future.</p>
	<i>The Council will convene to conduct the following business:</i>	

4	Approval to consider, amend as agreed by the Council and approve the minutes of the following minutes: 08 December 2015	It was RESOLVED to APPROVE the minutes.
5	Planning issues.	It was NOTED that the Clerk had sent a letter to TDC's Lead Councillor for Planning and a reply is awaited.
6	Finance: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> To agree accounts for payment Precept 2016/17 The Linhay 	It was RESOLVED to APPROVE accounts for payment. It was NOTED that the precept had been APPROVED at finance meeting. This was not discussed due to Cllr Small not being in attendance. Action: agenda item for February.
7	Village Green: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Play equipment 	Cllr Dagworthy explained that there is nothing further to discuss at the moment. Cllr Stanley explained that he now has the letters received from Viridor, which could now be passed on as part of the previous Freedom of Information request. It was also NOTED that the A4A grant had been withdrawn, with a letter to confirm so. It was NOTED that the same plans would be submitted as part of the Viridor application. However, the Parish Council would not do anything without speaking to residents. Cllr Stanley expressed concerns over the disposal of the old mower and wanted reassurance that the same thing would not happen with the new mower. Cllr French confirmed that no action will be taken on the mower unless it is discussed at Parish Council meetings. It was clarified that all decisions made by the Council are done so in Public at meetings.
8	Village Signs: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Update on brown tourist signs Update on No Parking signs 	It was NOTED that the Highway Officer is going to draw up a new sign in the next few weeks, hopefully ready for consideration at the February meeting. These have been created and the Clerk now has the sign. Action: Clerk to supply Cllr Stanley with sign.
9	To discuss events to be held next year in recognition of the Queens 90 th Birthday.	<i>Standing orders were suspended.</i> It was NOTED that there was a huge amount of support after Sheila Ponsford had sent letters to groups in the Parish. It was NOTED that a date for an open meeting should be set; it was suggested that the Pub be used in the first instance. This would take place on 27 January 2016 at 19.30. <i>Standing orders were reinstated.</i>
10	Village Hall: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Report Annual Accounts 	There was no report. It was NOTED that Cllr Small had explained that the accounts are available on the Charities Commission website. However, these are not the detailed accounts. It was RESOLVED that the Clerk would write to the secretary, requesting a copy of the accounts for the Village Hall and minutes from meetings. It was NOTED that the Parish Council are the owning trustees of the Council and the Village Hall Committee are the managing trustees.
11	Twinner's report.	Cllr Simmons explained that an event checklist is being developed. Upcoming dates for the diary include: 29 Jan – antiques evening. £7.50 includes valuation of one item and hot buffet. 19 Feb - French evening and FLICS 'Amelie' will be shown. March 18- spring quiz.

		A trip to Trevierres is still being organised for the beginning of May. A commemorative plate is being created, with a design of a Cirl bunting on a hawthorn bush and the founding dates.
12	Highways and Hedges.	The Road Closure at Ivy Tree Hill for drainage works were NOTED. Cllr Setter had contacted the Clerk regarding potholes at Pools Weir and these had been reported these to DCC. It was requested that the Clerk write to Combeinteignhead Parish Council regarding hedge cutting. Action: Clerk to write letter. It was NOTED that the drain outside Amberleigh (opposite Tappers) is blocked and not working efficiently. Action: Clerk to contact DCC. A vote of thanks was extended to Cllr Horton and Matthew Fearn for clearing some of the drains in the Village. It was NOTED that Cllr Stoneman had emptied the silt trap. Water is now being diverted as hoped.
13	Clerks Report.	The Clerk had nothing to report.
14	To note any correspondence received.	There was no correspondence received.
15	Flooding: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • DCC Update • Flooding Forum update 	The update from DCC forms part of the minutes. It was NOTED that there had been flooding in Rocombe. It was requested that the Clerk look in the easements at Meadowfield and inform owners of their responsibilities of Bramblewood. Action: Clerk to contact DCC and owners of Bramblewood. Matthew Fearn is looking at organising a Rocombe meeting, but a Flood Forum meeting will probably take place at the beginning of February in the first instance.
16	Emergency Plan: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Update • Finances 	Cllrs French and Stanley had met with Mike Rose, and are now building a Plan from DCC's template. Combeinteignhead Parish Council are also engaging and documents will be created together. It was NOTED that 25 parishioners had signed up to help. There is pressure to move the Plan ahead by the end of March, due to there being £2500 available to purchase equipment. Cllr Stanley requested permission to spend money from Council funds on the condition that it is given back as part of the grant. This would be spent on 'grab bags' to the community response team, road signs, brooms and rakes. A secure storage shed would also be purchased for some of the equipment, and would be installed at the Linhay. This would not be attached to the walls. Cllr Setter PROPOSED to offer the money with the grant money being provided later. Cllr Simmons SECONDED the proposal and it was APPROVED.
17	Public Question Time: 10 minutes	There were no further comments.
18	To note the date of the next meeting: Tuesday 09 February 2016 at 19.30.	This was NOTED. The meeting was closed at 21.45. It was NOTED that the Parish Council now meets at 19.30 each month.