

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF STOKEINTEIGNHEAD PARISH COUNCIL**  
**MONDAY 11 MARCH 2019 - STOKEINTEIGNHEAD VILLAGE HALL COMMITTEE ROOM**

Present: Cllrs Horton (Chair), Dagworthy, French, Setter, Small, Stanley and Stoneman

Not present: Cllr Simmons

Also present: Rachel Avery (Clerk)  
 9 members of the Public  
 County Cllr Dewhirst and District Cllr Clarence

No	Subject	Comments
1	The Chairman will open the Meeting and receive apologies.	Cllr Horton opened the meeting at 19.00. It was NOTED that Cllr Simmons was not in attendance. It was NOTED that Sgt Jon Ross had sent his apologies due to breaking his foot during an arrest in Teignmouth last week.
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	<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.  <u>County and District Councillors' Reports</u> <u>Police Report</u> <u>Neighbourhood Watch Report</u>	Further to the discussion that took place at the February meeting regarding congestion in Stoke Road, County Cllr Dewhirst reported that he had spoken to the school who have written to all parents. They will also be liaising with the school transport officer and hopefully there will be some banners outside the school in due course. There are also plans to put a teacher on parking duty. Whilst it may take a while for this to start working, the conversation went well, and it is hoped that there will be tangible changes. The importance of talking to parents and carer was highlighted. It was suggested that children should pass out letters to anyone parking poorly outside of the school. In the past, it was suggested that the PCSO has been in attendance. It was NOTED that the school has contacted the police, but they have no power to instruct them to attend. There have been reports in the media that there are possible plans to give fixed penalty notices outside schools. It was NOTED that parking on zig zag lines can result in an instant civil enforcement fine. Councillor reports form part of the minutes. The police report forms part of the minutes. The neighbourhood watch report forms part of the minutes.
<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: 12 February 2019	It was RESOLVED to APPROVE the minutes.
5	To resolve that the Council approves to adopt the General Power of Competence.	Consideration was given to the approval of the General Power of Competence. The clerk had provided information to councillors prior to the meeting., but she provided a brief overview of the power given to Parish Councils in the Localism Act 2011. It allows eligible councils "the power to do anything that individuals generally may do" if they don't break any other laws in the process of doing so. Eligibility refers to a council with 2/3 elected councillors and a qualified clerk. Cllr Stanley expressed concerns that it is not needed now, and that the council should not adopt the power until it is required. Cllr Dagworthy disagreed; this power is available to the Parish and there is no harm in adopting it for future use.

CHAIR:..... DATE:.....

		<p>Cllr Stanley stated that the adoption of this power may bypass the need for public consultation. The clerk stated that that this was not the case, as the council is still accountable to the parish.</p> <p>Councillor Dagworthy PROPOSED that the General Power of Competence be adopted. This was SECONDED by Cllr French and APPROVED (7:0).</p>
6	<p>Flooding:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• DCC update</li> </ul>	<p>The following update was NOTED:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• DCC are continuing to pursue the extra funding opportunities to enable the proposed flood alleviation scheme to be funded and delivered</li> <li>• DCC Highways have offered their support towards the scheme and have committed a considerable financial contribution to assist in the construction of the works</li> <li>• DCC are in the process of appointing the Consultant Jacobs to progress the detailed design and programming of the proposed flood alleviation scheme to assist with the current resource pressures of the DCC design team and also to gain more confidence in the overall scheme cost and affordability.</li> <li>• Due to the current uncertainties over the cost estimates for the detailed design and its affordability, together with Planning requirements and road closures etc., we are not able to confirm the works programme/timing.</li> </ul> <p>County Cllr Dewhirst reported that the total amount of funding from DCC Highways is £250000.</p> <p>Cllr French reported that DCC are still talking to the tenant farmer and not the landowner regarding the attenuation pond in Deane Road. It was NOTED that she would contact County Cllr Dewhirst regarding this. It was NOTED that the culvert in Deane Road is included within this project.</p> <p>He went on to report that with the additional money pledged by Highways, this takes the total cost of the project to more than what is expected for flood prevention for a community of this size.</p> <p><i>Standing orders were suspended.</i></p> <p>It was understood that DCC had looked at the video and seen the blockage at Deane Road. It was stated last month that money would be found for this and concerns were raised regarding when the pipe at Deane Road would be dealt with.</p> <p>County Cllr Dewhirst explained that the additional money will enable the entire project to go ahead. Engineers are looking at the scheme and bringing forward working drawings. DCC Highways will undertake work to the damaged part of culvert at Deane Road, but it is likely that this will be done as part of the project. He explained that if he can have this undertaken sooner, he will do so and will continue to work hard for the village.</p> <p>It was NOTED that three months' notice is required for a road closure. There are two lots of road closures and it may not be possible to undertake all work at the same time as it would be impassable through the village.</p> <p><i>Standing orders were reinstated.</i></p>
7	<p>Finance:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• To agree accounts for payment</li> <li>• To consider and approve the opening of a new bank account to save for new cemetery</li> </ul>	<p>It was RESOLVED to APPROVE accounts for payment.</p> <p>The clerk had provided councillors with information regarding savings accounts with Hampshire Trust Bank. It was RESOLVED that the clerk would obtain the required paperwork to open a one-year fixed term account with the funds for the new cemetery currently ring fenced within the Parish Council's current account.</p>

8	Village Green.	It was NOTED that the area remains clean and tidy.
9	Village Hall Report.	Cllr Simmons' report forms part of the minutes.
10	Shop Report.	<i>Standing orders were suspended.</i> Wendy Cornes wished to thank District Cllr Clarence for the help he has given in the shop. <i>Standing orders were reinstated.</i>
11	Twinnings' report.	Cllr Simmons' report forms part of the minutes.
12	Highways and Hedges: • Parking concerns – Stoke Road	There were no further comments. It was NOTED that the work to the cherry tree will be undertaken asap by Southern Tree Services after a quote of £220 was accepted by the clerk. It was NOTED that they have the appropriate insurance and ability to work on the highway.
13	Churchyard closure update and new churchyard.	An update from Revd. Church had been received, explaining that a meeting with the DAC regarding her proposals was awaited. It was AGREED that the council would wait for further information on the outcome of that meeting.
14	Clerks Report.	It was NOTED that the clerk has election nomination packs available to anyone interested in standing for election as a parish councillor in May.
15	To note any correspondence received.	There had been no further correspondence.
16	Emergency Plan Update.	Cllr Stanley reported that sandbags had been delivered and there are now adequate supplies to protect vulnerable houses. The team had undertaken a drain survey, the details of which have been sent to DCC. A response is awaited.
17	Public Question Time: 10 minutes.	It was NOTED that the details of potholes in Deane Road suitable for filling as per the rules on size had been sent to the clerk. The clerk had received a date of 25 March for inspection. It was asked what part of the collapsed culvert in Deane Road would be dealt with. It was NOTED that Highways have stated they will fix the part that has collapsed in the next financial year, which is around 15m in length. County Cllr Dewhirst stated that Stoke Road will be dealt with first, and the following year will see the attenuation ponds being created. This is the current plan, but working drawings are awaited. It was requested that should consideration be given to children providing documentation for poor parking, they must be accompanied by a teacher.
18	To note the date of the next meeting: Tuesday 09 April 2019.	The date of the next meeting was NOTED. The meeting was closed at 19.57.