

STOKE ORCHARD PARISH COUNCIL

held on Tuesday 6th July 2010 in Tredington Village Hall

Present:- Cllr P Holliday, Cllr R Chatham, Cllr A Troughton, Cllr M Masters, Cllr C Flowers, Cllr S Darnell, Cllr R Chandler, County Cllr G Shurmer, Mrs C Reid (Clerk) and 6 Parishioners

1. Apologies for Absence – Borough Cllr Allen Keyte
2. Co-option of a new Parish Councillor - Cllr Holliday proposed Mrs Rachel Chandler become a member of the Parish Council seconded by Cllr Troughton and agreed by all.
3. Declarations of Interest – Cllr Chandler – Item 12 (Planning)
4. Minutes of last meeting – The Minutes of the Meeting from 4th May 2010 were signed as a true record
5. Clerks Report (including Matters Arising) – Clerk advised a Dog Litter Bin was on order and requested the final location confirmation.

Action – Cllr Darnell to enquire with neighbours

Woodland Trust – ‘Free’ trees available – Clerk to forward to Head, Tredington School
 TBC Planning Seminar – Cllr Flowers to attend if available, Cllr Darnell otherwise.
 Glos. Playing Field Membership – It was agreed by all that membership be re-visited next March/financial year
 GAPTC Standing Order Course – It was agreed by all that Clerk attend
 Richard Waters (Glos. Highways) had confirmed VAS Qualification. Mobile Unit available for use if/when needed.
 Lorrywatch – Info in newsletter – Call to action – need more.

Action – Cllr Darnell to enquire with Garmin on de-listing the road as a main road

 New Greenspace – To be seeded in November
 Cllr Shurmer advised of future Press release regarding proposed savings within GCC
6. Cheques/Financial Report - Clerk advised the Annual Return had been audited by Iain Selkirk, it was agreed by all and page 2 signed by Cllr Holliday and the Clerk.

Cllr Troughton suggested the accounts have a ‘budget forecast’

Stoke Orchard Parish
 Council
 Year Ending 31st March
 2011
 Budget Report

	Spent Last Year		Spent To date	Income	
Salary	2353.76		775.52	4600.00	Precept
Telephone/email	0.00		0.00	144.67	Vat Return
Stationery, Post	50.52		36.52	0.68	Interest
Meetings	109.50		0.00	607.50	Grass Cutting Assistance
Insurance	234.73		265.51		
Subs	174.43	GAPTC+GRCC	0.00		
Training	121.00		20.00		
Audit	172.50	Internal & External	65.00		
Amenities	839.50	Grass Cutting	235.00		
Parish Mag	50.52		0.00		
Donations	0.00		20.00		
Contingency	0.00		0.00		
Website	0.00		102.93		
	<u>4106.46</u>		<u>1520.48</u>	<u>5352.85</u>	
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ACCOUNTS

Current	380.18
Savings	<u>7988.94</u>
	<u>8369.12</u>

Cheques since last meeting

06/07/2010	GAPTC	446	20.00
06/07/2010	Iain Selkirk	447	65.00
06/07/2010	John Preece	448	276.12
06/07/2010	Steve Darnell (website)	449	102.93
06/07/2010	Cathy Reid (Clerk)	450	400.32

7. Review of village/church maintenance costs and responsibilities – It was decided by all that the Parish Council wait for a donation request from PCC before proceeding.
8. Drainage Reports for both Villages – Tredington – Cllr Chatham advised a couple of items were still outstanding but not high priority. Severn Trent still have works to complete. Cllr Chatham will keep reminding them.
- Stoke Orchard – Cllr Holliday had a meeting on Sunday which also included the owner and tenant of The Orchard. It was agreed the ditch be re-dug, the trees removed and the water course re-instated.
- The Old Chapel/Verge Collapse – Glos.Highways are drawing plans to culvert the section between Dean/Banady Lanes which is scheduled for this Autumn.
- Railway Bridge – Network rail drawn plans for re-enforcement and watercourses. Bob Nightingale had commented Network Rail have failed to draw the plans correctly. Cllr Chatham enquired about the possibility of a footpath, Cllr Holliday said he will discuss with the engineers.
9. Update on The Swilgate Bridge – Cllr Shurmer advised of proposed suggestion for the bridge and showed drawings. (enclosed) . All Councillors gave very positive feedback and it was agreed by all it was OK to proceed.
Action – Clerk to advise Cllr Shurmer in writing regarding positivity towards plan/Ok to proceed
10. Parish Website Update – Cllr Darnell had received a couple of Councillors profiles, but stated preferably needed all. He would happily run a course ‘How to put website page together’ for anyone needing. Still needs local photos.
11. Cory/Grundon Liaison – Pumping out water now whilst dry, equivalent of 25mm rain. Cory had press call on new ‘viewing area’ on new site for schools/education.
Grundon – Plans awaiting outcome of DustScan report. Initial investigations state dust may contain volatile heavy metals and organic compounds such as dioxins and furans. However report does not state quantities involved and recommends more work needs to be done in order to make an assessment of the risk to human health.
12. Planning - NEW APPLICATION - 10/00404/FUL - Use of rear flat roof as balcony area. Erection of surrounding railings and privacy screen at upper floor level. – The Wheelhouse, Stoke Road, Stoke Orchard – Cllr Chandler left the room for the discussion of this item – NO OBJECTIONS
- 106 agreements – Cllr Holliday advised that Ashfield Land will supply a minibus within budget to our specification.
Action - Clerk to enquire with Twynning Parish regarding their minibus/running costs etc
13. Neighbourhood Watch – Cllr Chatham the 2 villages would merge their Neighbour Watch Schemes
14. Public Participation (please note any items needing decisions will be carried forward to the next Agenda/Meeting)
Litter was mentioned *Action - Clerk to advise TBC*
Parish Plan – Cllr Masters to advise GRCC regarding ‘Final Draft’
Parishioner concerned about negativity in press regarding Grundons and adverse publicity which doesn’t favour the area even though GCC are taking the situation very seriously, unfortunately that is never portrayed by the media.
15. Dates of Next Meetings
Tuesday 7th September 2010 at 7.30pm
Tuesday 2nd November 2010 at 7.30pm