

## **OVER STOWEY PARISH COUNCIL MEETING**

# Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on the 17<sup>th</sup> July 2017 in the Village Hall

Please note that these minutes are draft until approved at the September 18th 2017 Meeting

Present: Parish Councillor R. Curtis

P. Tully
J. White
M. Cavill
B. Bartlett
D. Peaster

District Councillor

County/District

Councillor M. Caswell (until 7.45pm)

J. Pay

### 1. Apologies for Absence

Councillor K. Barrow

#### 2. Members of the Public

None

# **3.** Declarations of Members Interests in Respect of Items on the Agenda

Councillor Bartlett declared an interest in planning application 40/17/00009/STP and did not take part in the discussion.

# 4. Minutes of the Meetings – $19^{th}$ June 2017:

Proposed by Councillor P. Tully Seconded by Councillor J. White

### **5.** Correspondence:

Merchant Navy Day-

This was discussed but it was considered that this would not be relevant to most parishioners. The Clerk will put the information onto the website for those who may be interested.

• Community Safety Project Officer –

Ryan Kelly will be attending the September meeting to explain his role. The Clerk communicated the information from the original e-mail and will also contact Mrs A. Hoare (Village Agent) to ensure parishioners are made aware of this.

• EDF Energy Transport Forum –

Following a discussion about the forum, it was felt that it was not necessary at this time to attend the meetings. This can be reviewed if appropriate.

• Village Hall and Community Centre Capital Grants -

The Clerk will contact Bridget Tully to arrange a date to start the applications for grants for the village hall works.

#### 6. Items for Discussion:

• Update from Councillor Bartlett from the Cockercombe User Group meeting (held on April 20<sup>th</sup> 2017)

The minutes have not yet been published. When they are available, the Clerk will publish them on the Parish Council website.

Councillor Bartlett communicated that the meetings will go back to being held once a year.

• Councillor Bartlett to sign Declaration of Acceptance

New form needed for September meeting

 Update on if 'Give Way' road markings at the Quantock Lodge/Water Lane junction have been re-painted

This has not yet been actioned, the Clerk will follow up again.

• Update on re-surfacing of church yard path –

The work has been completed to a good standard and the invoice is due.

Update on free NHS health check service –

The Clerk has been in contact with Mrs Hoare about the scheme and is looking to arrange this in the autumn.

Councillor J. Pay did suggest finding out if there would be enough interest to support this. The Clerk will ask Mrs Hoare to send an e-mail out to gauge the level of interest in the parish.

• Update on grant for maintaining church yard –

The Clerk communicated that as the Parish Council maintain the church yard, a grant is not available.

• Update on brush cutting by Mr. R Ince –

The work requested was completed quickly. Councillor Morley commented that the footpath (tbc) has become overgrown and needs clearing. Councillor Peaster will contact the relevant party to ensure that this is actioned.

• Update on Broadband coverage questionnaire-

The information has been received by the Clerk and a survey will be produced during August 2017.

### 7. Matters Arising for the Agenda for September 2017 meeting:

 An e-mail requesting nominations for 'Chairmans' Awards for Service to the Community' has been received. Councillor Curtis asked the members present that if they had any suggestions, to contact the Clerk who will communicate this and if agreed will complete the form and submit it.

Nominations need to be submitted by September 1<sup>st</sup> 2017.

• It was queried when the hedge cutting should be done as the parish's hedgerows are becoming overgrown. The Clerk will contact the Highways Department and request dates that this should be actioned by.

• Councillor Bartlett to sign Declaration of Acceptance

#### 8. Planning:

Update from application: 40/17/00007/SJH –

No objections – this was decided after reviewing the information received from the planning office which states that the application was originally granted under application number 40/09/00006. The garage was constructed in timber, with clay roof tiles and is similar to outbuildings in the neighbouring properties. The garage constructed is smaller than originally approved.

Application number: 40/17/00009/STP – no objections

Application number: 40/17/00008/LE (received 17/07/2017) – the original application (40/16/00002) was reviewed in April 2016 and no objections were raised then. After reviewing the current application, there are no objections at this time either.

#### 9. Financial Matters:

a) Clerks Wages - £146.98

Proposed by Councillor D. Peaster Seconded by Councillor P. Tully

b) Annual website fees - £59.00

Proposed by Councillor J. White Seconded by Councillor B. Bartlett

- c) Brush cutting training (Mr. R Ince) invoice not yet received.
- 10. Date of Next Meeting Monday 18<sup>th</sup> September 2017

Amanda McMurren Clerk to Over Stowey Parish Council

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