



OVER STOWEY PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

Minutes of the Parish council meeting held on the 16th February 2015 in the village hall.

Present:	Parish Councillor	R Curtis (Chairman) K Barrow (Vice-Chairman) J Rees M Cavill P Tully D Peaster B Bartlett
	County Councillor	J Edney
	District Councillor	J Pay

1.APOLOGIES

District Councillor	M Caswell
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2.MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC SESSION

There were no members of the public present.

3.Declarations of Members Interest in respect of Items on the Agenda

There were no declarations of members interest.

4.MINUTES OF JANUARY MEETING

The minutes of the January meeting were approved by Cllr Barrow and seconded by Cllr Peaster.

5.New Items for Discussion

Update of Accounts

Clerk had received a request from a Parishioner, Mrs Oates, for help in funding a new kiln for the local Primary School. The one that is currently used has broken and isn't up to the regulations needed for a school. They have contacted Viridor Credits but unfortunately it was not eligible for Landfill Community Funds. Other avenues that were mentioned were the Fairfield Trust run by Lady Gas, a letter to the parents of the school and also the PTA of the school. Mrs Oates is also applying to the Arts Council and organising fund raising events. It was agreed that the Parish Council would donate 100 pounds and would consider helping more if they were stuck nearer the end of the project.

6.Matters Arising

Updates on Highways

Clerk had e-mailed highways about the verge going up towards Bincombe being dangerous and also about signs for Plainfield. The reply was that verge overrun is not considered a safety defect requiring intervention but in addition to the safety repair budget they have an annual structural maintenance budget, which allows them to resurface a number of carriageways and footways each year. Programmes are prioritised. It is with this budget that they will fund the proposed drainage work which will start at the beginning of April.

Richard Newby the Traffic Engineer will be investigating the request for signing at Plainsfield and will update us soon.

7.Any Other Business

Clerk had been in touch with The Village Hall & recreational Committee about any updates for the Purchase of Land, it is still in the hands of the solicitors so no new updates.

The hedges at Stowey Rocks have still not been cut back. Clerk to write a letter to the Land Owner and cc the Land Agent, Alex Meletiou to get a fixed date as to when this will be done.

8.PLANNING

There was no planning to discuss.

09. FINANCIAL MATTERS

<u>Payments:</u>	Clerks wages	120.48
	Photocopies	8.50
	Ink	22.77
	Garden waste removal	48.00
	SLCC Annual membership	159.00

TOTAL OF FEBRUARYS 2014 BILLS 358 pounds and 75 pence

Cllr Tully proposed the above bills be paid, seconded by Cllr Cavill.

10. DATE OF NEXT MEETING

THE DATE OF THE NEXT MEETING IS DUE TO TAKE PLACE ON 16th March **2015 at 7.30 PM** IN THE VILLAGE HALL.