

Stottesdon and Sidbury Parish Council

Parish Council meeting held on Monday 25th March 2019 at 7.30pm in Chorley Village Hall

Present: Cllrs D Young (Chairman), D Ferguson, D Powell, S Allen, S Crawford, R Abbiss, C Smith.
Shropshire Cllr G Butler
Parishioners: 3
Clerk: Mr F Morris

0) Public participation:

Mr and Mrs Eddies-Davies and Dan Eddies-Davies attended the meeting as they had a planning application in for Ginny Hole.

Chairman asked if they could explain to all Cllrs their proposals. The intention is, if permission is granted, is to move the administration buildings from the Old Vicarage down to Ginny Hole as presently they have to keep commuting between sites, this will reduce traffic in and out of the site and the activities will all take place at Ginny Hole There will be 6 pods – mainly for families using horse facilities. It will be a massive thing to move down there but will create stability for the business with everything on one site. Currently they have permission for camping, but weather conditions are not reliable.

Mrs Steph Eddies Davies runs the Ginny Hole and sons Dan and Steve run Top Adventures and Mr Ant Eddies-Davies does training for the emergency services etc.
Electricity will be underground.

Chairman thanked the family for attending and opened the meeting at 7.45pm.

1) Apologies for absence:

Cllr Montague (funeral), Shropshire Cllr Shineton (poorly, but Cllr Butler in attendance), Cllr Barratt (dispensation). It was **RESOLVED to accept these apologies.**

2) Declaration of Interests

The Localism Act 2011, Relevant Authorities (Disclosable Pecuniary Interests) Regulations 2012. Members are reminded that they are required to leave the room during the discussion and voting on matters in which they have a disclosable pecuniary interest, whether or not the interest is entered in the register of member's interests maintained by the Monitoring Officer.

None declared.

3) To confirm minutes of the meeting held on 25th February 2019:

These had been circulated with the agenda and it was **RESOLVED to accept these as a trues record and chairman signed these accordingly.**

4) Matters Arising from the minutes

a) Progress report from Clerk:

- Reply from SC re: road repairs:

1. An order has been issued to Kier for defects to be repaired along Duddlewick Farm Lane. This was issued a couple of weeks ago and the gang will take as much material as they need in order to repair defects present.

2. I've been to the midwinters issue with Adam and Rich and the gully is now clear and working. We also looked at the gully outside the pub but were unable to clear it. This will be attended to along with the other issues mentioned by the jetter. We are chasing to get the jetter on site as soon as we can.

3. The pub shouldn't have an issue as the water is a very narrow shallow 'stream' past the entrance and it runs along a small channel and away down towards the speed limits.

The missing gully cover hasn't been replaced yet, but the cone is still there, and it is set back off the road so is not an immediate danger to pedestrians or traffic.

Ps, It looks like the jetter should be on site tomorrow morning.

4. I bring you good news for a Friday! I have been on site with the jetter today at Moon house bank and the drainage has now been cleared and is all working.

There is a chamber which is located between Mr Youngs stable building and his boundary fence which had become blocked. The lengthsman probably wouldn't have known it was there as it's well hidden.

They were going to attempt to get to Litley today after looking at the gully by the pub but may need to come back on Monday.

5. Yes, I was around the area last week, hopefully trying to have the worst areas into the program next year,

I did travel many of the lanes with Graham,

6. According to the computer the defects by the Nash were filled on Friday. If they are still there, I will raise is urgently with Kier to sort out.

7. Adam and Rich have been along from Six Ashes to Hall Orchard today and filled all the defects. I have asked them to attend to Burnt Pitt bank and Walton Bank/Bakers bank first tomorrow and we'll then see what material they have left after that.

My plan is for them to then go onto Duddlewick Farm lane and Station road to Duddlewick. If all goes to plan, we should be getting somewhere by the end of the week.

8. For your info – I have asked Kier to repair defects from Stottesdon to Duddlewick using immediate or urgent road closure procedure. There are a number of defects which need urgent attention.

They have programmed this work for Tuesday 26th March, and it will take up to two days to complete. Gatemmen will be used to advise motorists of the closure.

I have cc'd local SC member and Parish Council into this email.

9. Queried if signs would be put up regarding this closure, but not sure if they will get any done in time.

Hopefully we can get it done in a day but stating two days gives us a bit of wiggle room. The doctors will be allowed through if we need to go back in on Wednesday and I would imagine that most of the school traffic will be through before they close it as they will have to collect the tarmac from the quarry before they start.

I have spoken with the Kier supervisor and he says they will close it around 9am and be open again by around 3pm (possibly earlier if they use all the tarmac) so the impact should be kept to a minimum.

- Geocaching Permission update:

Lewis Grant - Thank you so much for the information I have now placed the cache at the bus shelter and I appreciate all your help in achieving this.

I am also interested to know if you know who owns the Chorley Covert Woodland area with public footpaths? Is this the Parish Council also?

So sorry I missed the question, the answer is that there is a nationwide series of geocaches based at or close by village halls across the UK and this series is currently sitting at nearly 5,000 different geocaches. Thus, to contribute to this national series of caches I decided to base one at the village hall and thought the best hiding place would be the bus stop. Just to let you know where it is hiding it is magnetic and stuck to the metal bracket on the right-hand side at ground level the bracket used to attach the shelter to the concrete base. Hope this answer your question the first person has found the cache, alongside the owner of the national series sends and I we send many thanks for your help in allowing the cache to be placed.

- Defibrillator costs – Cllr Allen reported that Farlow and Oretton had said that the important thing is to make sure that the defib is registered. They purchased theirs through Heartstart. Clerk will look into this further.

b) any other matters arising – nothing further raised.

5) **Planning applications/permissions/refusals:**

Reference: 19/00815/FUL (validated: 07/03/2019)

Address: Ginny Hole Trekking Centre, Prescott, Cleobury Mortimer, Kidderminster, Shropshire, DY14 8RR

Proposal: Erection (relocation) of two timber cabins for use as offices, reception, training facilities and course accommodation; revised parking area; erection of six accommodation pods on hardstanding with decked terraces; installation of septic tank drainage system; application under Section 73a of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990 for retrospective extension of a pole barn

Applicant: Top Adventures (The Old Vicarage, The Bull Ring, Stottesdon, Nr Cleobury Mortimer, Shropshire, DY14 8UL)

Several Cllrs had visited this site, and all felt that this was a big asset to the village. The only comment made was the access as it was felt that to turn right out of the site was very tight so suggested turn left only and a mirror in the hedge opposite to id visibility.

Standing Orders suspended at 7.5pm to ask the applicant the question about access:

Mr Eddies-Davies confirmed that SC had suggested a mirror, left turn only and warning signs which they would be happy to provide.

Meeting re-convened at 8pm.

It was **RESOLVED to fully support this application for a local business with the comments about the access.**

Reference: 19/00473/FUL (validated: 31/01/2019)

Address: Sunrise, Stottesdon, Kidderminster, Shropshire, DY14 8UQ

Proposal: Erection of extension to front elevation; formation of pitch roof over existing bay; removal of rear porch

Decision: Grant Permission

Any others received after issue of agenda:

Reference: 19/01312/PMBPA

Address: Agricultural Building, Walton Farm, Stottesdon, Y14 8LY

Proposal: Application for prior approval under Part 1, Class Q of the Town and Country Planning (General Permitted Development) (England) Order 2015 for the change of use from agricultural to residential use

Applicant: Mr and Mrs A Marsh

Councillors fully discussed these plans and felt that the conversion made good use of an agricultural building which is not suitable for today's farming and **RESOLVED to accept the plans.**

6) **SALC report:**

Cllr Abbiss reported that the Jan Snell Award Scheme criteria is being looked into.

Quality Gold Award had been granted to a small Parish Council.

7) **Unitary Councillor's report:**

Cllr Butler reported on the following:

- His role has changed, and he is now the Portfolio holder for Communities and Place Planning and explained his role.
- Place Plan review meeting 9th May, Cleobury Mortimer to include Stottesdon and Cllrs urged to attend. Cllrs Abbiss and Powell and Clerk hope to attend.

Cllrs urged to think about the Place Plan – School could be flagged up in this as it is bursting at the seams.

- LJC's being replaced but not sure what role this will take.
- Budget – Council tax 3.99% increase (1% ring fenced for Adult/Social Care)
- 5 new Police Officers planned for the Bridgnorth area – should have better response. Telford Officers presently support Bridgnorth and Ludlow. These are new posts not replacements and all training courses booked for next 12 months.
- Police and Crime Commissioner has a budget for grants for Community Speed Watch, CCTV, Smartwater.
- Roads – majority of accidents in Shropshire are on Highways England roads.
- Man Shed project – footings going in 1st April, AGM on 17th April. It is 'local' men project – social prescribing.
- Health – Telford and Wrekin looking into Judicial Review.
- AC finances – 'holding up' looks as if budgets will come in on target.
- £5m taken from Highways Capital programme not from repairs budget. Many repairs being carried out at present. And vital that Clerk keeps feeding in complaints.
- Clerk asked for a suggestion for Speaker for Annual Parish Meeting – Eddie West, Planning. Suggested if not then perhaps Mark Barrow.
- Consultation for Transport/Post 16 – Cllr Butler felt that this was best dealt with by parents.

Chairmen thanked Cllr Butler for his report, and he left the meeting.

8) Financial matters:

a) To confirm bank transfer payments from last month – invoices/receipts initialled by Cllrs.

b) Outstanding payments:

Clerk's salary and expenses (bank transfer) £xx

HMRC PAYE (bank transfer)- £33.10

Zen Internet (broadband in village hall) - £36

Mark Pearce – Lengthsman account - £220

Parish Online renewal - £36

SALC training account - £54

Donations: Stottesdon Church, Sidbury Church, Chorley Chapel burial grants- acknowledged by Stottesdon

Crucial Crew funding request - £160

Any other donations/accounts received after issue of the agenda

Chorley Village Hall - £260 (agreed that Clerk pays this when invoice received tomorrow)

RESOLVED that Clerk pays these accounts by bank transfer.

c) Income since last meeting - confirmed at meeting - £1500 Lengthsman Scheme grant

d) Bank statement – initialled by Cllrs

e) Defibrillator provision update – Clerk to make further enquiries.

f) Grant application – Cleobury Mortimer Men's Shed Project. After discussions it was **RESOLVED that this project would be supported up to £250 for equipment not just a donation.**

9) Parish matters/problems

a) Parish problems:

- Cllr Abbiss wished her thanks are passed to SC for repairing Pickthorn lane.
- Number of homes permitted on Homelands park at Chorley was questioned as his site is now quite full. Clerk will have to look at planning permission.
- Bus shelter, Stottesdon. Use of this queried other than for school children as there are no service buses. This was put there mainly for the children and they do use it.

- MOBILE LIBRARY HAS CHANGES THE TIME IS COMES TO Stottesdon which now clashes with the school buses and this causes parking difficulties. Clerk will email regarding this.
- Finger post at the bottom of Moonhouse Bank damaged – Clerk has reported this.
- Clerk confirmed that Cllrs Abbiss, Smith, Ferguson. Montague and Clerk and Katie Jones (School) attended the meeting with Andy Oliver to discuss replacing the white lines and KKEP CLEAR box on the school car park.
Katie asked that the spaces underneath the hedge were retained and marked and the access from the edge of this marking towards the middle of the car park being the route through to the properties and also to mark parking bays.
The 'H' bar and dropped kerb opposite the school were also discussed and Andy was to draw up some plans and get this priced for the PC to consider,
Katie asked for some tarmac to be put into the gateway by the small gate as this has sunk and fills with water and freezes in cold weather.

b) Parish Watch:

Lawn mower stolen from property in Stottesdon.

c) Lengthsman Scheme update:

Account dealt with earlier. Clerk has to notify SC of expenditure ready for grant for next year.

d) Safety Partnership application – pavement:

Clerk read out email regarding this. Andy Oliver has been asked to provide a quote for this work and wondered if any CIL money could be used for this. Clerk will make further enquiries for next meeting.

10) Review of Personnel Committee:

Clerk pointed out that she was uncomfortable with Cllr Abbiss on this committee as they are related. After discussions it was **RESOLVED that this be left until the Annual Parish Council meeting when a new committee can be elected, and the Clerk's appraisal will then be dealt with by the new committee.**

11) Correspondence: Emails forwarded include: *All noted as read unless comments made:*

SC - Alterations to the Electoral Register

SC - Parish Grants 2018/2019 (Environmental Maintenance Grant) – dealt with earlier.

Stoneleigh Architects -18/04323/FUL RE: Stottesdon School - Proposed Judicial Review – this is a matter for the School House residents and the School.

Healthwatch - Spread the word: Help local people have their say on the future of the NHS in Shropshire

Vicky Turner - Place plan meetings to look at new drafts - Thursday 9th May, 7pm at Cleobury Country Centre – Cllrs Abbiss, Powell and Clerk will attend.

Calor Rural Community Fund - Win £5,000 for your community – forwarded to Church and School.

SC - Shropshire Council Supplier Guidance for Payment of Invoices

[Police.uk] New data published for January 2019

Came & Company Local Council Insurance - Pre-Renewal Email – Cllr Ferguson suggested getting a quote to increase the sum insured on the street furniture to £20,000 or £25,000 and to obtain prices for the cost to replace the bus shelter.

- SALC Information:

- Bulletins
- Place Plans Communication
- Training information
- New Accountable Officer Appointed at Shropshire CCG
- CIL Training presentation slides
- 2018/19 External Auditor Update - details of a training webinar
- Consultation on proposed changes from September 2019 - Travel assistance for SEND Nursery and Post 16 students

- Cleobury Country Courses:
- ✓ Portable Appliance Testing - 25th March 2019

Any other correspondence received after issue of agenda

SALC - 2018/19 External Auditor Update - details of a training webinar

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Cleobury Country - Level 2 Award in Safer Moving and Handling - 20th May 2019

SALC - What would you do? - the NHS are developing a local plan and need your help.

Will your Town or Parish Council join our Great British Spring Clean? 22nd March – 23rd April

SC - 2019/20 COUNCIL TAX PRECEPTS PAYMENTS – Stottesdon & Sidbury – notification of precept request for checking figures are correct.

12) The Surgery car park – any updates

All appears to be OK.

13) To consider format/speaker/s for Annual Parish Meeting (COMPASSIONATE COMMUNITY IN STOTTESDON planned)

It was suggested to ask Eddie West to talk on Planning or Mark Barrow. Clerk will try to sort this out.

14) Date of next meeting: Annual Parish meeting 15th April 2019 (apologies Cllrs Crawford and Powell). Tea and biscuits will be provided.

Parish Council meeting 22nd April 2019 as this is Easter Monday it was **RESOLVED to change the date to the 29th April.**

Payments to be made:

Clerk's salary-£xxx

HMRC PAYE - £33.10

Clerk's expenses - £191 (including £104 working from home payment)

SALC - £54

Zen Internet - £36

Mark Pearce - £220

Parish Online - £36 (MAPS)

Crucial Crew - £160

Chorley Village Hall – £260

Funding requests:

Cleobury Mortimer Men's Shed project – **RESOLVED to donate up to £250 for a specific item or equipment.**

Stottesdon School – funding request. Wait until the hall is under way.

Cleobury Youth Partnership – no request received as yet.

There being no other business the meeting closed at 9.55pm.

Signed: Chairman

Date: