# **Draft minutes of a meeting of Stretton-on-Fosse Parish Council was held on 16 March 2022 at 7.15 p.m. in the village hall**

**Present: Izzi Hazelwood (Chair, IH), Penny White (PW), Jon Holdback (JH), Sue Finlay (Clerk)**

**Public: David Passingham (DP)**

**Democratic 15 minutes**

Dave Passingham representing 20's Plenty for Warwickshire Campaign spoke about the advantages of 20mph speed limits in built up areas. These include on average; 20% fewer accidents, 50% less noise, less pollution, less carbon emissions. 20mph limits have already been adopted in Council areas covering 25 million people and across Europe. He said there are places in Stretton with narrow pavements where travelling at 30mph would be dangerous. He pointed out that it had been adopted as Best Practice on the continent, and Wales and Scotland; also in cities such as B’ham, Oxford and S’hampton.

CL asked for it to be minuted that he felt it was a waste of time in Stretton and that a 50 mph limit on the Fosse was more important. RE pointed out that the two were not mutually exclusive.

*Motion:*  Stretton-on-Fosse calls on WCC to adopt a 20 mph speed limit as the default in residential areas and areas where public and traffic are not adequately separated from traffic, i.e. no footpaths, no verge between traffic and path, etc. [P: IH; S,: PW, motion carried]

IH also agreed to continue pushing for a 50 mph speed limit on the Fosse from the border to the traffric lights at Portobello.

***M22.10. Apologies:*** Keith Finlay (KF), Jo Barker (SDC, JB), Chris Longleather (CL), Richard Eedle (RE), CL and RE attended on Zoom, but were not permitted Voting rights.

***M22.11. Approval of minutes of last meeting:*** Approved

***M22.12. Matters arising:***

1. *Climate change and Stretton Sustainability Initiative*: CL said the recent coffee morning had been very successful, with a cake sale for Ukraine raising £400. JH reported the request for suggestions for the Jubilee had been well supported and that these would be considered at the next Jubilee committee meeting.
2. *EV chargers on the village hall*: These have now been ordered, but there was no fixed date for their installation yet. They are made to order and the company was waiting for a delivery date before it could set a date for fixing, but it was being given priority. CL said that the PC would have to pay for this up front, but that it would be reclaimed from a grant. He pointed out that there was also a charge for the software. He asked the council to approve payment now so the matter could be dealt with in a timely manner. IH thought it would probably cost around £4,500 including software and proposed allowing £5000 before VAT to cover this and any incidental expenses. (S, JH; Approved).
3. *Queen’s Jubilee, June 2022: Saturday 4 June 2022:*  IH had ordered jubilee medals to be given to all children in the village who were 16 and under. She had ordered 100 as this worked out cheaper, and any left over will be sold at cost price. These will be paid for from PC funds as at previous jubilees.
4. *Road signage for HGV’s:*  IH reported that this and repainting of road marking have been reallocated to the next financial year
5. *Hole at the entrance to the gated road:* This has been fixed on a temporary basis and has been confirmed as being due to a spring.IH will follow this up with WCC Highways
6. *Hedge at the corner house:* Remedied.

***M22.13. Planning applications***

*On-going*

*Pitstop*: The lease has fallen through with previous applicant and owners are now looking for a new tenant.

21/02956/LBC, Dovecote Cottage, Erection of a garden shed. [planning not required]

22/00556/VARY, The Chimneys, Variation of conditions 2 (approved plans), 3 (materials) and 6 (swallow access) of planning permission 21/02750/FUL (date of decision 18 November 2021) to allow for: amendments to the external design and appearance of the building; amendments to the internal layout; amendments to the external materials; and the updated wording of condition 6 [29/03/2022]

22/00613/LBC, S. Harcourt, St Peters Cottage , Main Street, Stretton-On-Fosse, Warwickshire GL56 9SE, Replacement of all existing wooden framed windows of various styles with flush casement hardwood 'heritage' double glazed units of consistent appearance and painted. Replacement of front door with equivalent hardwood version retaining 'stable door' style. Replacement of existing 2 rear double glazed doors with equivalent hardwood/painted 'heritage' double glazed units [No objection].

The Chimneys, Hedge contravention of planning approval [Now with enforcement]. Councillor Hazelwood had spoken to the owner who seemed quite amenable to discussing the matter.

***M22/14: Finance***

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| **Date** | **Supplier** | **Item** | | **Income** | **Outgoings** | **Balence** |
| 11/01/2022 | Elson | Allotment rent | 20.00 | |  | 10179.13 |
| 07/01/2022 | Whittaker | Allotment rent | 20.00 | |  | 10199.13 |
| 17/01/2022 | Holyhead | Allotment rent | 20.00 | |  | 10219.13 |
| 20/01/2022 | Morgan | Allotment rent | 20.00 | |  | 10239.13 |
| 25/01/2022 | Robinson | Allotment rent | 20.00 | |  | 10259.13 |
| 25/01/2022 | Pass/Fulls/Bacchus | Allotment rent | 60.00 | |  | 10319.13 |
| 25/01/2022 | Sue Finlay | Clerks salary & exp |  | | 161.35 | 10157.78 |
| 26/01/2022 | Pike/Lewis | Allotment rent | 20.00 | |  | 10177.78 |
| 26/01/2022 | Wired Music | Jubilee deposit |  | | 250.00 | 9927.78 |
| 27/01/2022 | WALC | Training (Clerk knowledge) | | | 24.00 | 9903.78 |
| 27/01/2022 | Elson | Allotment rent | 20.00 | |  | 9923.78 |
| 02/02/2022 | Village Hall | Refund of YCF | 121.92 | |  | 10045.70 |
| 02/03/2022 | Sue Finlay | Clerks salary/exp. |  | | 258.83 | 9786.87 |

*Petty cash*

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| 14/03/2022 | SPO | Stamps | 18.12 | 72.09 |

*Proposed donation to Shipston Home Nursing:* IH reported that she had received a letter thanking her for running a plant sale in aid of SHN, which in fact is being run by a resident. It also asked for donations. Some councillors donate regularly anyway. CL felt that donations should be left to individual choice. [Refused]

*Proposed appointment of Ken Dunn as internal auditor for 2021-22 audit:* Approved; Mr Dunn has confirmed he can do this for the sum of £65. [Approved]

***M22.15 Formal adoption of committees*** [postponed to next meeting]

1. *Stretton Sustainability Initiative*
2. *Jubilee Committee*
3. *Allotments*

***M22.16 Correspondence***

Clerks and Councils.

Shipston Home Nursing Newsletter

***M22.17. Council reports:*** None

***M22.18. AOB:***

1. *Welcome pack for new residents to parish:* IH felt that the old pack provided a good starting point. It was felt that a hard copy was best, especially as it would mean meeting new residents in person. It was agreed the council as a whole should review the proposed contents and discuss it further at the next meeting.
2. *Risk assessment:* Approved.
3. *Formal adoption of the LGA model Code of Conduct:* Approved
4. Councillor Finlay had tendered his resignation, citing pressure of other enterprises. The Council thanked him for his service.

***M22.20. Date of next meeting and AGM****:* 4 May 2022 at 7.15 p.m.

***M22.21: Date of APA:*** 7 May 2022, to be run in conjunction with the May SSI coffee morning (time tbc)

***M22.22: Clerks report:*** The clerk reported that she had attended a clerks course through WALC, which had proved most informative, and had raised several things she hadn’t been aware of. She also reported that the NALC talks on clerks pay had finally been concluded and as a result her pay would be increase from the end of March