Stretton-on-Fosse Parish Council Minutes (Draft)

A meeting of Stretton-on-Fosse Parish Council was held in the village hall on 21 May 2019 at approx. 7.20 p.m.

M19.19. Apologies

Apologies were received from Councillor White and Councillor Barker. Councillor Long-Leather asked that Councillor barker be reminded to send a written report/answer to questions if she was unable to attend a meeting.

M19.20. Approval of minutes of last meeting

The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved.

M19.21. Matters arising

- The background and current standing of these topics were covered in the Chairman's report at the AGM.
- Portobello crossroads: This seems to be no further forward. Councillor Long-Leather asked the Chair to write expressing concern at the lack of movement on what has now been a longrunning situation and also at the lack of information coming directly to the council. Councillor Hazelwood asked if the council thought it worthwhile contacting the local paper.
- Harolds Orchard: The new houses are now out for tender to prospective tenants. Councillor Long-Leather agreed to form a party to discuss how that allotments should be run. A water supply has to be arranged still. Councillor hazelwood agreed to contact Paul Bellew regarding the status of the closest pipe, which runs over former Cherry orchard land. A meeting has been arranged with neil Gilliver on 18 June 10.30-12.00 to discuss the handover of the allotments and what works WRH are willing to carry out beforehand. It has been decided to divide each allotment into 2 plots and has been suggested that 2 or 3 are kept back as a community garden.
- Play area: It is hoped that work will begin on this this summer and has been agreed that no more than £26,000 will be spent on equipment to allow for the VAT costs.

Car Park drainage: See Chairman's report

Cemetery and adjacent verge: Councillor Long-Leather is to arrange a working party to spread the current pile of earth, although there seems no prospect of being able to stop another pile appearing. Councillor Balchin has looked at the broken gate post and thinks it can be repaired.

M19.22. Finance

- (a) Expenditure since last meeting was considered and approved.
- (b) The annual governance statement section of the audit was examined and signed by the Chair and clerk.
- (c) The annual audit form was examined and approved. The clerk reported that the internal audit has passed without comment.

M19.23. Planning applications New

19/00934/TREE, St Peters Cottage, for Mrs S. Harcourt (approved 23/05/19)

On-going

18/01641/FUL, Portobello Farm (café). The clerk had heard that the owners now intend to run an antique furniture venture from here, as previously.

M19.24. Correspondence

The clerk pointed out that most correspondence come s in the form of emails now.

M19.25. Council reports None

M19.26. AOB:

- VASA: VASA has sent a request for donations. Councillor Hazelwood agreed to send round a power point presentation for councillors to consider.
- Recycling: Councillor Hazelwood suggested that the village become more pro-active in recycling. She had found a company that recycles crisp packets and the clerk was willing to arrange dispatch of these if there was somewhere to be a collection base. Councillor Long-Leather suggested collecting batteries would be useful; Councillor Balchin said the junior school was doing this at the moment and it was felt that perhaps the council could arrange to support this.

M19.27. Date of next meeting

The next meeting was arranged for 3 September 2019 at 7.30 p.m.