

Winterbourne Stoke Parish Council

Meeting of the Winterbourne Stoke Parish Council held at the Stonehenge Visitor's Centre, Winterbourne Stoke on Monday 11th March 2019 at 6.40 pm

In Attendance: Parish Councillors: Dr A Shuttleworth, T Pywell, R Watts, A Zacks-McGoldrick,
T Dengel
Wiltshire Cllrs: D Henry
Parishioners: None
Clerk: J Carr

1	Opening Statement by the Chairman.
	<p>I don't propose to say a great deal at the opening of this meeting as I pontificated enough at the start of the Meeting of the Parish, but there is one thing I must say.</p> <p>When I offered to stand as Chair of the Parish Council for the first time, I made it very clear, that even if I was lucky (?) enough to be re-elected, I wasn't going to do the job for very long. The reason was and is quite straightforward and it's the same reason, in principle, that was behind the 22nd Amendment of the US Constitution to prevent the President from serving more than two terms in office.</p> <p>Having the same Chair, President or Prime Minister for many years is purely and simply a bad thing; its why we stopped the monarchy meddling in political affairs. It stifles novelty and creativity, the same mistakes are likely to be repeated over and over again and worst of all, democracy is lost as the position becomes a personal fiefdom.</p> <p>So, that was a rather long-winded way of saying that I won't be putting myself forward for re-election as Chair at the next meeting.</p>
2	Adjournment for Parishioners' Questions.
	No parishioners were present.
3	Apologies Received
	No apologies received.
4	To confirm the minutes from the Parish Council meeting held on 21st January 2019.
	Acceptance of the minutes from the previous Parish Council meeting were proposed by Cllr R Watts, seconded by Cllr T Dengel and agreed by the remaining cllrs. The minutes were signed by the Chairman.
5	To report, for information only, any matters arising from the minutes.
	<p>The following actions were outstanding from the previous meeting:</p> <p>a. (01/17 – 07) It has been agreed that the Parish requires an Emergency Plan. Cllr Zacks-McGoldrick and the Clerk have made contact with Mr Rennie, who has experience with such matters, but although he is "on-board" he is very busy. Cllr Zacks-McGoldrick will investigate other avenues for the provision of an Emergency Plan for the Parish.</p> <p>b. (05/17 – 07) Cllr West suggested that, instead of village gates being erected at the 40 mph speed signs on the A303, flashing speed signs should be considered. Following several dead-end suggestions alternatives have been</p>
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considered/evaluated with no success. The action will be closed and revisited in the future if alternative funding avenues can be identified. **Action Closed.**

c. (11/17-01) The yellow lines have been installed at the Church Street/A303 junction; however, it has been noted that they are asymmetric which means that cars can still park opposite the entrance to The Hall making access difficult. The yellow lines have been extended; however, the quality is poor which areas already having been worn away. The Clerk has submitted a "My Wiltshire" observation. Although the quality is poor they are having the desired effect. **Action Closed.**

d. (11/17-03) The A303 highway issues have been rectified. **Action Closed.**

e. (01/18-02) Since the Chairman contacted and met with the Dog Warden in the village to discuss the issue signs have been erected; however, it is agreed that, although the problem has reduced on Church Street, the meadow walk to Berwick St James is still bad. Legal action should now be considered such that a reward leading to the conviction of an offending owner is offered. The Chairman would consult with the Dog Warden on the feasibility of such an option.

f. (05/18-05) The telephone box refurbishment is complete with effort from Ian West, Dave Hillier, Steve Fair and Barry France. Cllr A Zacks-McGoldrick will write a short article for the website. **Action Closed.**

g. (05/18-08) A whole raft of signs has appeared at the southern end of the village in the river next to the wooden foot bridge due to persons-unknown bathing/playing in the river. There is confusion over the right-of-access to this area as there has in the past been a ford here. There has been no further complaint over this issue but a close eye will be kept on the situation. **Action Closed**

h. (07/18-03) The Clerk would arrange insurance cover, on behalf of the Events Committee, through Community First once an equipment value is known.

i. (09/18-03) The Clerk applied to the CATG for replacement street signs; approval is awaited from Wiltshire Council.

j. (01/19-01) There is an issue with the state of the Shrewton Road immediately north after it's junction with the A303. The road had been closed supposedly to facilitate repairs; however, if repairs had been carried out they were not obvious. The Clerk has contacted Wiltshire Council to see what work had been carried out and whether further repairs are planned; however, Wiltshire Council has failed to reply. The Clerk will engage with Wiltshire Cllr Henry for his assistance.

k. (01/19-02) The Clerk contacted WALC regarding chairman-specific training, there is none currently but it is hoped to be in place in the summer. **Action Closed.**

l. (01/19-03) The Clerk has informed the payroll services of the change to the Clerk's pay. **Action Closed.**

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	<p>m. (01/19-04) The Clerk has informed Wiltshire Council of the FY19/20 Precept requirement. <u>Action Closed.</u></p> <p>n. (01/19-05) Cllr Dr Shuttleworth will investigate whether or not we need to resort to the original sign-up method for the website in order to reduce easter European fake sign-ups.</p> <p>o. (01/19-06) The Clerk is to order the ancillaries for the new Church Street notice board. These have been received. <u>Action Closed.</u></p> <p>p. (01/19-07) Cllr Dr Shuttleworth will ensure Highways England are aware that the large westbound green road sign at the eastern end of the village has succumbed to corrosion and is now horizontal. OBE as Highways England removed the sign the day following the meeting. <u>Action Closed.</u></p> <p>q. (01/19-08) The campsite on the Berwick-St-James road is investigating erecting brown tourism signs on the A303 and A36; Cllr Dr Shuttleworth has engaged with Mr Grant to see what support he wants from the Parish Council; Mr Grant has yet to confirm his needs. <u>Action Closed.</u></p>	<p><u>Action:</u> Cllr Dr Shuttleworth – on going</p>																											
<p>6</p>	<p>Parish Council Administration</p>																												
	<p>Publications: Nothing to report.</p> <p>Training: Nothing to report.</p> <p>Finance: Money in Account (at close of business 28 Feb 19): £7,900.98</p> <table border="0" data-bbox="414 1120 1197 1523"> <tr> <td>Less un-cleared cheques:</td> <td>Clerk Q3</td> <td>£182.97</td> </tr> <tr> <td></td> <td>Notice Board</td> <td>£ 84.00</td> </tr> <tr> <td></td> <td>Bawdens</td> <td>£210.88</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Commitments:</td> <td>Bawdens</td> <td>£105.44</td> </tr> <tr> <td></td> <td>Clerk Q4</td> <td>£183.37</td> </tr> <tr> <td></td> <td>HMRC</td> <td>£122.00</td> </tr> <tr> <td></td> <td>Parishes Mag</td> <td>£ 80.00</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Bills awaited:</td> <td>Yellow lines</td> <td>£500.00</td> </tr> <tr> <td></td> <td>20mph Study</td> <td>£625.00</td> </tr> </table>	Less un-cleared cheques:	Clerk Q3	£182.97		Notice Board	£ 84.00		Bawdens	£210.88	Commitments:	Bawdens	£105.44		Clerk Q4	£183.37		HMRC	£122.00		Parishes Mag	£ 80.00	Bills awaited:	Yellow lines	£500.00		20mph Study	£625.00	
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<p>7</p>	<p>Planning Applications.</p>																												
	<p>19/01906/FUL - Stonehenge Visitor's Centre</p> <p>Cllrs had discussed the application prior to the meeting due to the tight timescale and the nature of the application; they agreed unanimously that they SUPPORTED the application.</p> <p>Cllr Dr Shuttleworth noted that the PCC response to the issue with the tree in the churchyard was swift and asked the Clerk to write to the Secretary of the PCC thanking her for her actions.</p>	<p><u>Action:</u> Clerk (03/19-01)</p>																											
<p>8</p>	<p>Services including Recreation Facilities.</p>																												
	<p>Play Park: Nothing to report.</p> <p>IT inc Broadband and Website Nothing to report.</p>																												

9	Highways & Byways.	
	<p>General: A CATG was held on Monday 4th March 2019; unfortunately, the Parish Council was not represented because of the non-availability of cllrs. As a consequence of non-attendance by a Winterbourne Stoke Parish Cllr the meeting “agreed to defer the issue until a representative of Winterbourne Stoke is able to attend meeting”. This was in spite of the facts that the Parish Council had confirmed support and a 25% contribution towards 20mph speed limit assessment and had also confirmed residents of Brook Close (not a public highway) supported its inclusion in any recommended outcome.</p> <p>Cllr Pywell is to draft a letter to Baroness Scott, Leader of Wiltshire Council, for the Clerk’s signature, expressing his exasperation that the Church Street 20 mph project was not advanced simply because the Parish Council was not represented even though all actions had been completed.</p> <p>Current A303: Nothing to report.</p> <p>A303 Scheme: The Preliminary Meeting to discuss the Examination procedure for the A303 Amesbury to Berwick Down project will be on Tuesday 2nd April 2019 at the Salisbury Racecourse; it will commence at 10 am. Cllr Zacks-McGoldrick will be representing the Parish Council.</p> <p>Parishioners are reminded that they should keep a close eye on the Parish Council website for updates:</p> <p style="text-align: center;">www.winterbournestokepc.org.uk</p>	<p>Action: Cllr Pywell / Clerk (03/19-02)</p>
10	Environment including Emergency Planning.	
	Nothing to report.	
11	World Heritage Site.	
	Nothing to report.	
12	Police.	
	Nothing to report.	
13	Reports from Councillors.	
	<p>Cllrs: Nothing to report.</p> <p>Village Events Committee: Nothing to report.</p> <p>Wiltshire Cllrs: Nothing to report.</p>	
	The Next Meeting	
	<p>The next Parish Council meeting will be on Monday 20th May 2019 at the Stonehenge Visitor’s Centre at 7:00pm; it will start with the election of the Chairman and Vice-Chairman and the annual financial return will be presented for approval. The meeting closed at 7:55 pm.</p>	<p>Action: All cllrs.</p>

J H Carr
Clerk of the Council

20th May 2019

Dr A Shuttleworth
Chairman of the Council

20th May 2019