# Stottesdon and Sidbury Parish Council

# Parish Council meeting held in Chorley Village Hall on Monday 29th April 2019 at 7.30pm.

**Present:** Cllrs D Young (Chairman), D Ferguson, R Abbiss, D Powell, B Montague, C Smith. Shropshire Cllr Madge Shineton Clerk; Mrs Freda Morris Public: 0

## 0) Public participation:

No parishioners present.

#### 1) Apologies for absence:

Cllrs S Allen (meeting), S Crawford (family), H Barratt (dispensation). Shropshire Cllr G Butler (away). It was **RESOLVED to accept these apologies**.

#### 2) Declaration of Interests

The Localism Act 2011, Relevant Authorities (Disclosable Pecuniary Interests) Regulations 2012.

<u>Members are reminded that they are required to leave the room during the discussion and</u> <u>voting on matters in which they have a disclosable pecuniary interest, whether or not the</u> <u>interest is entered in the register of member's interests maintained by the Monitoring Officer.</u> Nothing declared.

## 3) To confirm minutes of the meeting held on 25<sup>th</sup> March 2019:

These had been circulated with the agenda and it was **RESOLVED that these be signed** by the Chairman as a true record.

## 4) Matters Arising from the minutes

a) Progress report from Clerk:

Reply from SC re: road repairs:

As you know I have issued a job for defects along Duddlewick farm track. I've just spoken to the gang which were on site and they tell me they spoke to Mr Morris today and informed him that they have the job for his lane on their tablet to complete (he may have mentioned a bad pothole by his yard which is not adopted highway). Today they have worked from the speed limits at Stottesdon to Hinton Junction filling all the potholes and repairing / resetting two gullies. All being well they will be back to morrow to work between Hinton and Duddlewick farm track. Following on from that they should get to the farm track on Thursday all being well.

Reply from SC re: Library:

I have looked into the circumstances surrounding the change to this stop

Last July the Stottesdon stop was swapped so that the Mobile Library would visit earlier in the afternoon. It seemed a shame to be passing whilst the children were in school and returning when they had left for the day. We have picked up one new family by doing this. In addition, this has saved some manoeuvring of the vehicle in the lanes.

The driver always tries to park in the layby although it is usually occupied by parents waiting to collect children so when this is not possible the vehicle parks in the bus stop. This isn't usually a problem because a small minibus is in use and both vehicles can park in the bus stop at the same time. However, there was one occasion when a large bus replaced the minibus and this did cause problems.

We could change the stops back again although it would be a shame for the family using the service at the school. I would suggest that we leave it as it is and we will monitor the situation. If the minibus is replaced permanently with a large bus we will revert to the old timetable and no longer park at the school at the end of the school day

Can you let me know if you think this is acceptable or you would prefer we change the timing of the stop.

## It was **RESOLVED to leave this and monitor the situation**.

b) any other matters arising:

Geocache at Bus Shelter, Chorley. Cllrs had looked for this but could not locate it, but residents had seen 'strangers' to the village looking around the bus shelter which had caused some concern. It was **RESOLVED to put an article regarding this in the next newsletter.** 

## 5) Planning applications/permissions/refusals:

a) Reference: 19/01312/PMBPA (validated: 25/03/2019)

Address: Proposed Conversion Of Agricultural Building At Walton Farm, Stottesdon, Shropshire

Proposal: Application for prior approval under Part 3, Class Q of the Town & Country Planning (General Permitted Development) (England) Order 2015 for the change of use from agricultural to residential use

Decision: Withdrawn

No reason given for the withdrawal, but Cllr Shineton confirmed that this could be due to Planning Officers requesting an alteration.

b) Any others received after issue of agenda:

Reference: 19/00457/FUL (validated: 05/02/2019)

Address: Conversion Of Barn To Residential Use, Chorley, Bridgnorth, Shropshire Proposal: Application under S73A of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990 for the conversion of existing agricultural buildings to 2no dwellings with detached double garages; demolition of existing outbuildings and provision of access

Decision: Grant Permission

Whilst talking about Planning Cllr Ferguson asked if any Cllrs knew the ownership of the hedge between his property and the school. Clerk will make enquiries.

## 6) SALC report:

Cllr Abbiss reported that the following had been discussed at the recent Executive meeting:

- Dementia awareness
- Place Plan meeting May 9th, Cleobury Country. Cllrs Abbiss, Young, Powell and Clerk will attend.
- SALC will be 70 years old Executive looking at ideas to celebrate this milestone.
- Jan Snell Award 1 more 'space' on the shield looking to tweak this award slightly.
- President trying to organise AGM with more awards.
- Climate change

Chairman thanked Cllr Abbiss for the report.

# 7) Unitary Councillor's report:

Cllr Shineton said that there was not much more to report following the Annual Parish meeting last week but commented on the following:

- STAR Housing looking for apprenticeships.
- Letter sent out from CIIr Butler regarding CIL Expressions of Interest. This letter was passed around. It is thought that we had about £2000 in our Neighbourhood Fund.
- Task and Finish Groups waiting for updates.
- Health nothing moving 5.5 years of consultation with a Maternity Consultation at present.
- Financial situation very tough this year despite £7.5 million for highway repairs.
- Adult Social Care don't know how many old/in need people out there!
- Children in care has increased.

Clerk thanked Cllr Shineton for helping her push the grass cutting at Glebe Drive and after discussions it was **RESOLVED** to ask Mark Pearce how soon he could cut this and to write to STAR Housing saying that the PC will send the invoice if this is not cut. Clerk also confirmed that SC had written saying the School Playing field 'Asset of Community Value' had expired and Cllrs asked Clerk to renew this.

## 8) Financial matters:

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

b) Outstanding payments:

Clerk's salary - £xxx and expenses (bank transfer). No expenses.

HMRC PAYE (bank transfer)- £52.49

Zen Internet (broadband in village hall) - £36

SALC subs - £330.93

Came and Co – insurance renewal. It was agreed to leave this until next month to look into further quotes.

Any other /accounts received after issue of the agenda:

Information Solutions (Web Orchard) - £36 - domain name renewal for 2 years

Local Council Review mag - renewal - £17

PWLB - loan repayment (car park) £2426.43 - direct debit 28th May

## It was RESOLVED to pay all these accounts via BACS.

Acknowledgement for Crucial Crew donation.

c) Income since last meeting - confirmed at meeting:

SC – precept - £28,647.50

Interest on deposit account – 45p

d) Bank statement – initialled by Cllrs.

e) <u>Defibrillator provision update</u> – Clerk had spoken to the Dr's Surgery who had no preference to which Electrician is used and it was **RESOLVED that Clerk orders this from the Ambulance Service.** 

f) <u>Grant application</u> – Cleobury Mortimer Men's Shed Project. Thank you letter from Cllr Butler who will contact the PC in due course regarding funding.

g) <u>Any documents necessary for review for Internal Audit</u> – Clerk will put this on the next agenda if required.

Clerk pointed out that she had been approached by Chorley Village Hall for funding on an annual basis. After discussions it was **RESOLVED** to ask for a Business Plan and ways they intend to promote the Village Hall and to put this on the next agenda and also direct them to Julia Baron at RCC.

## 9) Parish matters/problems:

## a) Parish problems:

Cllrs raised the following:

- Post inserted into verge on Burnt Pitt/Harcourt road corner (opposite turn into bungalows) as large vehicles are wearing the hedge bank away – SC are aware of this. (For Information Only).
- Bolts sticking out of new gatepost at Hillcrest, Stottesdon which could be a potential hazard.
- Hedge at The Wheelwrights needs cutting back as this has started to protrude onto the highway causing large vehicle to drive further into the road.
- Arm fallen off fingerpost at the bottom of Moonhouse Bank and is lying on the verge.
- Report of blocked drain, bottom of Burnt Pitt Bank: Reply from SC:

I took a look at this earlier this week but all the gullies appear to be ok.

When we next get some rain I will try and get down there and check they are all flowing properly.

• Requested SC to replace the signs at The Highlands as all the letters have peeled off – Andy Oliver says will get done a.s.a.p.

## b) Parish Watch:

Nothing to report – Police attended the Annual Parish meeting and asked people to be vigilant.

#### c) Lengthsman Scheme update:

Nothing to report.

**10) Correspondence:** Email's marked 'as read' unless comments made.

Age UK STW news item: Wellbeing & Independence Partnership - an exciting new collaboration for Shropshire

Place Plan meeting - 9th May, Cleobury Country – dealt with earlier

SC - Notice to Nominator of removal of Stottesdon School Playing Field from the ACV list – dealt with earlier.

C Tibbitts - Church Clock

- SALC Information:
- o Bulletins
- The 5 Voices Transforming Team Communication Workshop 10th May 2019, 8.30am - 10.30am at Shirehall, Shrewsbury
- Engagement Briefing Note re. "Review of 'A' Board Policy and Process.
- <u>Cleobury Country Courses:</u>
- ✓ Level 2 Award in Safer Moving and Handling 20th May 2019
- ✓ Do you have a job to advertise? Advertise Locally at The Cleobury Country Centre!

Any other correspondence received after issue of agenda:

CIL letter – dealt with earlier.

WPD are prepared for gusting winds – useful/informative emails.

OFFICIAL - PWLB Repayment Notice- 08411

SALC – LEAF – tackle littering.

11) The Surgery car park - any updates: nothing to report/

12) Date of next meeting: 20<sup>th</sup> May 2019 (Annual Parish Council Meeting).

To consider changing the date of the August meeting – it was **RESOLVED to change this** to **Tuesday 27<sup>th</sup> August**.

There being no other business the meeting closed at 9.15pm.

#### Payments authorised:

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Signed: Chairman

Date: