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**Minutes of the full Meeting of Stoke Bruerne Parish Council held on
Tuesday 19 March 2024 7:30pm**

Parish Councillors Present: Kathryn Dodington (chair), Barbara Osborne, Simon Lake, Trevor Morley, Pat Stimson, Terry Richardson, David Locke

Also present: Dave Weston (Parish Clerk), and 11 members of the public

24/097	To receive and accept apologies for absence. Louisa Fowler WNC Councillor	Action
24/098	To receive declarations of interest under the Council's Code of Conduct related to business on the agenda. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • None were declared 	
24/099	To receive and approve for signature the minutes of the Council meeting held on 20 February 2024. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • It was resolved to approve the minutes as a true record of the meeting, they were signed accordingly by the chair. 	
24/100	To discuss any matters arising not on the agenda. The clerk advised the meeting the offer of a free portrait of HM King Charles has been taken up and ordered.	
24/101	Correspondence List There was nothing to review	
24/102	Invitation for questions from members of the public Q: Can anything be done about lorries breaching the weight limit coming through Bridge Road? It was resolved the clerk would write to the Police and WNC over the matter and the mud on the road near the works at Heathencote. Clerk ill also write to Shutlanger PC over the issue.	DW
24/103	Invitation to Unitary Councillor to provide updating report. No-one present, and no report given.	
24/104	To receive Clerk's report The clerk reported the website was close to going live and the council had seen it. There will be several modifications and improvements as it goes live. The APM has been set for 9 April, some reports have been received others to be chased. Internet banking, Cllr Osborne is live, we are just waiting for others to receive their registration details. The AGAR is now live, to be completed at year end.	

24/105 Planning Matters

New Applications

2024/1106/NMA Chimney End Bridge Road Stoke Bruerne.

It was **resolved** to support this application.

Decisions

Application Number	Location	Proposal	Decision

Appeals

None

24/106 Parish Matters

Item	Subject	Description	Parish Council Resolution	Action
106/1	Canal update	To receive a report from Cllr Dodington on the Canal and River Trust and any actions necessary	Top lock, locks 16 & 18 are completed. There is some mess down at lock 18. Cllr Dodington will follow it up.	KD
106/2	Roads / Safety	To review the current road maintenance in the area	<p>A: Rookery Lane footpath. Reported twice, deemed dangerous by users due to surface break up and surface vegetation ingress. Clerk to report and follow up.</p> <p>B: Bridge Road repairs. Very much as was WNC won't close the road until National Highways say they have finished all A508 & A5 works. The clerk has written to WNC suggestion an alternative diversion along Stoke Rod and Knock Lane, but WNC won't agree as knock lane is unclassified.</p> <p>C: Pedestrian Crossing Point at School. It was resolved to support the school should they apply for one.</p> <p>Additionally: there are planned closures of Stoke Road from Knock Lane into Blisworth. These will be on the website and FB.</p> <p>A MOP has commented on a footpath that is impassible at present but always wet. Cllr</p>	<p>DW</p> <p>DW</p> <p>PS</p>

			Stimson agreed to walk the path to assess.	
106/3	Drains & Gulleys	To report on the progress of the clearing of the drains and any necessary actions that need to be taken	All are ok except for one blocked drain in Bridge Road which has been reported to WNC.	
106/4	Update from Tove FC	To receive any update from Tove Football Club	Discussion took place regarding increasing the fees for hire of the football pitch. At present it is £300 p.a. There will be a formal price review at the next meeting.	
106/5	Street Light Works		It was resolved that quotes for repainting should be for the columns and the wall brackets and not the tops of the lanterns.	DW
106/6	Parking Issues Wentworth Way		Item discharged as no further issues.	
106/7	Posts and chains village green		The posts and chains repairs will be paid for by a generous resident. They have been ordered, date to replace yet to be confirmed.	
106/8	Community Development Fund Grant application		A meeting has been requested with WNC to discuss a grant to the village as compensation for all the upheaval with road works.	KD
106/9	Litter Pick 2024		It was resolved to have a litter pick on 21 April 2024 along the Greenway meeting 1000 at the Boat PH.	PS

24/107	Playing Field There was nothing to report at this time.	
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24/108	Finance & Governance a. The financial report to February 2024 was presented. It was resolved to accept the report. b. It was resolved to pay the following bills: Clerk (salary and expenses for Feb 2024) £280.90 HMRC (Feb) £63.60 Clerk (salary and expenses for Mar 2024) £280.70 HMRC (March) £63.80 Direct Debits due in March (Yu Energy) £125.26	
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24/109	<p>Stop 3000 Trucks Campaign The clerk stated the campaign were in the process of setting up a bank account. Once this is done, the agreed donation will be transferred across.</p>	
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	<p>Round the table Q: The quote to repair the war memorial is £4500 + VAT. 50% of the cost can be applied for via a war memorial fund grant. It was resolved the clerk will write to Shutlanger PC to ask for a contribution.</p> <p>Cllr Dodington informed the meeting that a solar farm that had ultimately been approved by the planning inspectorate near Gayton has been stopped by the Government.</p>	<p>DW</p>
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Date of next meeting. Tuesday 16 April 2024. Any items for the agenda to the Clerk by Tuesday 9 April 2024

Meeting closed at 2101 Hrs

2403 FINANCIAL REPORT V2

Stoke Bruerne Parish Council Financial Report to 20 February 2024	
Bank Statements on 31 January 2024	£21,396.59
Current Account	£11,179.28
Savings Account	£10,217.31
Un-presented payments to 20 February 2024	£676.90
ACTUAL FINANCIAL POSITION on 20 February 2024	£20,719.69
Monies Held on Behalf of Village	
DBT for Clock Maintenance	£483.36
Monies Ring-fenced as Reserves	
CALC recommended reserve (approximately 50% of precept)	£8,343.50
Parish Council Fund Position on 20 February 2024	£11,892.83
Parish Council Fund bills to be agreed: March 2024	
Bills for Payment in March 2024	
Clerk (Salary and Expenses February 2024)	£280.90
HMRC February 2024	£63.60
Clerk (Salary and Expenses March 2024)	£280.70
HMRC March 2024	£63.80
Direct Debits due in March 2024 (yu energy)	£125.26
Bank Charges due in March 2024	£7.00
Total Payments for March 2024	£821.26
Parish Council Fund Position on 20 March 2024	£11,071.57
Financial Transactions for February 2024	
Urgent Payments made since meeting in February 2024	£0.00
Direct Debits presented to 29 February 2024	£142.80
Receipts in February 2024	£0.00
Cheques/Internet/Bank Charges payments out February 2024	£693.90
VAT to be claimed 2023/2024	£2,365.74

2403 CORRESPONDENCE LIST

Correspondence List 15 February 2024- 14 March 2024

Date Circulated	From	Correspondence	Circulated by
17-Feb			
23-Feb			
01-Mar			
13-Mar	NCALC	Weekly Update	DW
17-Feb	WINVIC	Road Closure 24-25 Feb	DW
20-Feb	Parishioner	Village Green	DW
20-Feb	Email DW	Grass cutting	DW
20-Feb	Email DW	Website update	DW
20-Feb	Parishioner	Bridge Road	DW
23-Feb	Chronicle	Comment re: Junction 15	DW
23-Feb	WNC	Local Planning	DW
23-Feb	Email DL	Speed Gun Policeman	DL
26-Feb	WNC	Weekly planning updates	DW
26-Feb	WNC	Additional money for roads	DW
26-Feb	Email DW	APM Agenda	DW
28-Feb	Email DL	Cardboard cut outs	DL
28-Feb	Email KD	Sect 106 money	KD
01-Mar	NCALC	Cancelled event	DW
01-Mar	OPFCC	Meeting details	DW
01-Mar	Email DW	Email to WNC re: Bridge Road	DW
04-Mar	Email KD	Traffic Greenway	KD
05-Mar	Email DL	Lamp Standard colours	DL
05-Mar	Email KD	SiD data	KD
09-Mar	Email DW	Post replacement quote	DW
09-Mar	WNC	Weekly planning updates	DW
13-Mar	WNC	Weekly planning updates	DW
13-Mar	NCALC	Training Newsletter	DW
13-Mar	Email MOP	Footpath Enquiry	DW