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**Minutes of the full Meeting of Stoke Bruerne Parish Council held on
Tuesday 16 September 2025 7:30pm**

Parish Councillors Present: Kathryn Dodington (chair), Barbara Osborne, Pat Stimson, Terry Richardson, David Locke, Pauline Sears

Also present: Dave Weston (Parish Clerk), WNC Councilors Fiona Cole, Adam Smith (both part), Jack Evans WNC Youth Forum Member and 9 members of the public

Number	Agenda Item	Action
25/118	To receive and accept apologies for absence	
25/119	To receive declarations of interest under the Council's Code of Conduct related to business on the agenda.	
25/120	To receive and approve for signature the minutes of the Council meeting held on 15 July 2025. It was resolved to approve the minutes as a true record of the meeting; they were signed accordingly by the chair.	
25/121	Invitation for questions from members of the public MOP: The village hall is suffering with non-users parking outside meaning users can't park. It was resolved to discuss in the meeting next month. MOP: Reported that there was an issue with non-permit holders parking on Bridge Road. WNC to be informed. Shutlanger PC would like to reduce the speed limit to 40mph between the villages. They are looking to reintroduce speed watch to the village. MOP: The smell from the sewer works is continuing, been told the replacement part will take 7-10 days to arrive. Jack Evans gave a summary of his activity over the summer months. The WNC youth forum is looking at conducting a youth survey and would look to parish councils to assist in reaching the target audience.	
25/122	Invitation to Unitary Councillor to provide update report Cllr Smith informed us he was now standing as an independent councilor having left Reform. His focus is on working with parishioners, and he would welcome better comms from councils. Cllr Smith left the meeting at 8pm. At 8.20pm Cllr Cole joined the meeting. She has attended a planning workshop looking at extra housing in villages, and a full report is due. Fly tipping has a pilot that is looking at local teams to deal with the issue. Cllr Locke informed FC that WNC had breached data by listing his name on a planning consultation. DL to forward details to FC who is aware of at least 4 other instances. The proposed build on Bridge Road has been 'called in'.	DL
25/123	To review the vacancy on the Council. No expressions of interest this month.	

25/124	To discuss any matters arising not on the agenda. There were no matters arising.	
25/125	Correspondence List There was nothing to review.	
25/126	To receive the Clerks Report The main agenda covered all items.	
25/127	To determine and note responses to recent planning applications 127/1 No updates from WNC 127/2 The meeting ratified the objections made by the council against 2025/2713/PIP . A MOP in the meeting who is a relative of the proposer was allowed to speak. She felt some FB comments were personal and reiterated the proposer had an association with the village and the application is for a single property and there are no intentions to build on the remaining land. The recent boundary line move was at WNC behest. Cllr Locke stated he felt there were occasions when the PC needed expert advice. It was resolved to consider using such advice in the future. 2025/3283/FULL . Councillors to review the application and submit responses to the clerk for a response to be formulated. 127/3. Cllrs Dodington and Stimson have had a meeting with Courtenhall Estates . An application for 5 warehouses opposite the current SEGRO development is being submitted. The Estate land agent has agreed to approach SEGRO to see if there are any additional S106 monies that could be made available for the PC.	ALL
25/128	Parish Matters 128/1 Canal Update. Cllr Dodington reported the canal remains close for movement because of the water levels. 128/2 Roads/Safety. There is a planned closure of Bridge Road from 24/22/2025 to 28/11/2025. There is a planned closure of the Shutlanger road from 27/10/2025 to 31/10/2025. Road signage including the 7.5 t limit have been installed on the A5 and Shutlanger Road. 128/3 Drains and Gulleys. Repairs have been made to the drains and kerbs on Rookery Lane. Item Discharged 128/4 Section 106 Monies. The next SEGRO liaison meeting is scheduled for October. Cllr Stimson will attend. 128/5 War Memorial. There has been a site meeting with the contractor, Plaques will be made to cover the unrepairable sections. WNC heritage has been approached for permission to carry out the suggested repair. 128/6 Defibrillator. This is working and the pads will be replaced. 128/7 This is discharged as a standing agenda item.	DL
25/129	Playing Field 129/1 Dog Waste Bins. Clerk to speak to contractor to check on emptying. 129/2 No reply received from Total Football Academy having been sent the lease agreement, clerk to follow up	DW DW
25/130	Finance and Governance 130/1 The financial report for July/August 2025 was presented. It was resolved to accept the report after a revision to the HMRC payment for September. 130/2 It was resolved to pay the following bills:	

	Confidential Expenses Sept £445.46 power B HMRC Sept £121.12 power B NJ Blackwell inv 1925 £720.12 power A Zurich Insurance £599.00 power E Direct Debits Yu Energy £61.55 power D Community Heartbeat Trust £89.94 power F 130/3 The current budget position was presented and accepted. The clerk informed the meeting that the remaining precept monies were due at the end of September.	DW
25/131	Assets of Community Value The clerk informed the meeting the PC had been successful in their request to have the Village Hall listed by WNC as an ACV.	
25/132	Welcome Letter for new people to the village. Cllr Locke informed the meeting that 6 local estate agents had received the letter and were asked to send to new people buying property in the village.	
25/133	Forthcoming Clerk Vacancy. There have been two applicants. Cllr Osborne and the clerk will be interviewing candidates after the closing date.	
	Items for the next agenda There was nothing suggested	

Meeting Closed at 9.01pm

Date of next meeting: 21 October 2025 at 7.30pm

Powers to make payments.

A: Public Health Act 1875 s 164; Local Govt Act 1972 Sched 14 para 27; Public Health Acts: Amendment Act 1890 s 44; Open Spaces Acct 1906 s 9 & 10

B: Local Government Act 1972 s 112

C: Local Gov Act 1972 s 144

D: Parish Councils Act 1957 s3 Highways Act 1980 s 301

E: Local Government Act 1972 s 111

F: Local Government Act 1972 s 226

Stoke Bruerne Parish Council Financial Report to 31 August 2025	
Bank Statements on 31 August 2025	£27,775.91
Current Account	£11,268.22
Savings Account	£16,507.69
Un-presented payments to 31 July 2025	£0.00
ACTUAL FINANCIAL POSITION on 31 August 2025	£27,775.91
Monies Held on Behalf of Village	
War Memorial Restoration (WARM)	£4,585.00
Monies Ring-fenced as Reserves	
CALC recommended reserve (approximately 50% of precept)	£11,000.00
Parish Council Fund Position on 31 August 2025	£12,190.91
Parish Council Fund bills to be agreed:	
Bills for Payment in September 2025	
Confidential Expenses Aug	£445.46
HMRC Aug	£121.12
N J Blackwell inv 1925	£720.12
Zurich Insurance	£599.00
Direct Debits due in September 2025 (Yu Energy)	£61.55
Community Heartbeat Trust	£89.94
Total Payments for August 2025	£2,037.19
Income from 31 August to 16 September (Lloyds Giro payment)	£1.76
Parish Council Fund Position on 16 September 2025	£10,155.48
Financial Transactions for August 2025	
Urgent Payments made since meeting in August	£0.00
Payments presented in July incl DD and internet payments	£1,588.03
Receipts during August	£0.00
VAT to be claimed 2025/2026	£1,003.00

Correspondence List 11 July 2025 - 12 September 2025

Date Circulated	From	Correspondence	Circulated by
12-Jul	DL	New residents letter	DL
15-Jul			
22-Jul			
7-Aug			
20-Aug			
1-Sep			
9-Sep			
11-Sep	WNC	Weekly Planning Report	DW
15-Jul	DL	War Memorial	DL
15-Jul	KD	Harworth Planning Response	KD
15-Jul			
23-Jul			
20-Aug			
26-Aug			
1-Sep			
12-Sep	NCALC	Weekly Updates	DW
17-Jul	SB School	School prank request	KD
17-Jul	Pat S	GUCT walk round	Pat S
18-Jul	KD	Flood Risk	KD
23-Jul	Persimmon	Relief Road update	DW
23-Jul	Police	RCT	DW
23-Jul	Fiona Cole	J15 Harworth Docs	DW
23-Jul	Fiona Cole	WNCupdate	DW
23-Jul	KD	Planning Application 2025/ 2713/ PIP	KD
27-Jul	KD	Electric bikes/scooters	KD
29-Jul	TR	Rookery Lane drains	TR
01-Aug	KD	GUCT update	KD
07-Aug	KD	Email to NCALCre: planning commen	KD
11-Aug	KD	parish online	KD
15-Aug	C&RT	Canal Closure	KD
20-Aug	Fiona Cole	WNCupdate	DW
20-Aug	GUCT	Newsletter	DW
20-Aug	NCALC	ebulletin	DW
20-Aug	DW	War Memorial	DW
23-Aug	KD	Planning	KD
31-Aug	DL	War Memorial	DL
31-Aug	DL	Council Vacancy	DL
01-Sep	KD	Solar Farms	KD
01-Sep	DW	Self Build Bridge Road	DW
03-Sep	DL	Planning assistance	DL
08-Sep	WNC	Planning Appeal 2025/ 1569/ FULL	DW
11-Sep	WNC	ACV Village Hall	DW
12-Sep	Fiona Cole	Update	DW
12-Sep	NCALC	Training updates	DW