STOKE BRUERNE **PARISH COUNCIL**

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Minutes of full Meeting of Stoke Bruerne Parish Council held on Tuesday 14th July 2026 7:30pm

Parish Councillors Present: Cllr Kathryn Doddington , Cllr Osborne (Chair) Cllr David Locke (Vice Chair) , Cllr Pauline Sears, Cllr Pat Stimson, and Cllr Richardson

Also present Adele Boughton (Parish Clerk), Ward Councillor Fiona Cole, and five members of the public.

Number	Agenda Item	Action
26/256	**To receive and accept apologies for absence** -None.	SBPC
26/257	**To receive declarations of interest under the Council's Code of Conduct related to business on the agenda.** -None.	SBPC
26/258	**To receive and approve for signature the minutes of the Council meeting held on 16th June 2026** It was resolved to approve the minutes as a true record of the meeting; they were signed accordingly by the Chair.	SBPC
26/259	**Invitation for questions from members of the public** -Email from member of the public, re: 20mph.	Public
26/260	**Invitation to Unitary Councillor to provide update report** -Same reoccurring issues: Segro and s106. -Planning Officers spoken to with regards to planning in villages. -Town and Country Planning Act-Came in on 11th May, if a council refuses a planning application of over 150 houses, it has to go secretary of state. -As of 31st December, member call ins will be restricted. West Northants proposing for it to come to Democracy and Standards in advance for it to go to an independent committee.	Ward Councillor
26/261	**To review the vacancy on the council.** -All being well Ruth Smith will be coming back in Sept.	SBPC
26/262	**To discuss any matters arising not on the agenda.** -Nothing.	SBPC

26/263	**Correspondence List** -All on the agenda.	SBPC
26/264	**To receive the Clerks Report** -All on the agenda.	Adele
26/265	**Finance & Governance:** 265/1 To receive the Financial Report for June/July -**Noted.** 265/2 To approve bills for payment -**Unanimously agreed**. 265/3 Budget Position -**Noted.**	SBPC and Adele
26/266	**To determine and note responses to recent planning applications** ***-West Northamptonshire Council email re : Planning consultation/Information for application reference 2026/2015/FULL at Stoke Park Barn Stoke Park Road Stoke Bruerne NN12 7RZ*** ***Towcester Racecourse Proposals*** -Scoping into WNC, consultation but no an official one so far. -SBPC ask where the application has gone that was originally there. Adele will ask. -SBPC, Shutlanger and Paulesbury Parish Council will get together to discuss.	SBPC and Adele
26/267	**Grand Union Canal Partnership GU Transfer including sighting a works compound behind six houses in Bakers Lane** -Nothing new.	SBPC
26/268	**Local Plan** – SBPC asked for it to be like Shutlanger-Adele to forward the email to Fiona Cole and copy in Cllr Locke.	SBPC
26/ 269	**Parish Matters** **269/1 Canal update: Grand Union Canal Update** – Damaged lock, by Cllr Doddington's house, Cllr Doddington has reported it to the Assisted Repair Scheme. New person starting in the Museum. **269/2 Roads / Safety. To review the current road maintenance in the area** - **a. Bridge Road Repairs** -Outside the school needs doing. Leak from Anglian water mentioned by a member of the public. **b. Rookery Lane Footpath** – No change, impassable for pushchairs and wheelchairs. Cllr Stimson will ask if Helen	

	Howard will add it to the next year's funding. **c. Village Hall parking** -Working fine, clear on a Thursday/Friday. **269/3 SEGRO Community Liaison Group** – As above. **269/4 War Memorial Renovation Project** –Waiting for bits of slate and adhesive, suggesting 75ml slate that can sit at an angle. Agreed but want refund between slate and granite. **269/5 Speeding** –P.C.S.O's were out. **269/6 Defibrillator** -Agreed to £64.00 for the new pads. Cllr Stimson and Cllr Sear will take over the caretaking.	
26/ 270	**Assets of Community Value** -Boat Inn do not want to be part of it, no response from Navigation Inn. Take off of the agenda.	Adele
26/271	**Play Park Inspection** -Cllr Stimson asked for a quote from Lindon and a company about the gate and post. Cannot cut back yet. -Cllr Doddington will investigate the wire rope. -Cllr Locke will look at the bench. -Cllr's will meet to look at the play park. -Quote to be added to next agenda once Cllr Stimson's has it.	SBPC
26/272	**Hazel's Memorial** -Needs to be authorized, got to be done to Canal River Trust Design. -Suggest the family ask. -Village hall will be doing something in the hall.	SBPC
26/273	**Items for the next agenda** -Play Park Cleaning Quote.	SBPC

Meeting Closed at: 20.53pm

Date of next meeting: 15th September 2026

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

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Bank Statements on 7th July 2026	£42,009.18
Current Account	£2,250.69
Savings Account	£39,758.49
Unrepresented Payments to 9th June 2026	0.00
Actual Financial Position on 9th June 2026	£42,009.18
Monies held on behalf of the Village	
War Memorial Restoration (WARM)	£2333.80
Monies Ring Fenced as Reserves	
CALC recommended reserve (approximately 50% of the precept)	£11,000.00
Actual Position	£28,675.38
Invoices that have been paid to July 7th 2026	
Confidential	£464.07
Expenses	£26.00
HMRC	£97.68
MSE Project	£282.00
The Sign Maker	£2,251.20
Invoices to be agreed	
Confidential	£464.07
Expenses A Boughton	£26.00
HMRC	£97.68
Rospa Play Safety	£109.20
NJ Blackwell	£1,255.08
Position after Invoices after July 7th and invoices to be agreed-May change before the meeting if further invoices arrive.	£26,723.35