

Minutes of the Council Meeting held on 12th April 2018 at 7.00pm in Eastington Village Hall

1. **Attendance and apologies for absence** In attendance Cllrs Corrie (Vice Chair), Bomberg, Bullock, Chatterley, Farnden, Loveridge, Simmons and Wells. **Also present** 6 members of the public and the Acting Clerk Anita Sach. **Absent** Cllr Cozens
2. **Declarations of interest in items on the agenda** Cllr Loveridge 9.6
3. **Chairman’s announcements** Cllr Corrie explained that she had taken the chair as Cllr Bullock is recovering from a knee operation. She extended her thanks to Tom Low who worked with her on the Ecotricity presentation to 110 pupils and 7 staff at the village hall; to Planning Clerk Karen Hayes for her outstanding work on West of Stonehouse planning issues; and Mark Campbell, SPWG member, who attended the meeting with SDC planning and spoke very effectively on behalf of EPC. She also reported that work has finally started on the High Path.
4. **Approval of the minutes of the meetings held on 8th March 2018:** RESOLVED to accept the minutes
5. **To review outstanding actions from previous meeting.** None
6. **Changes to the order of business.** None

The meeting was opened for questions and comments from the public.

Mr Edwards asked who is responsible for the kissing gates, now the responsibility of the Getting Around Group. He was advised to send the clerk the location of the stiles that need replacing with kissing gates. He also raised the issue of the hedge at Mill Lane which extends right out into the lane. Councillors advised that it had been reported to Highways four times, but the owners are refusing to do it.

Mr Low raised concerns about the proposed hotel application as the access is on a blind bend, visibility should be 120m but it is only around 50m and the transport report says there are no traffic queues, even though they are often extensive. He also pointed out that the application is contrary to policy CP15 in the SDC Local Plan which will not allow destruction of the countryside when a development is inappropriate in a rural area.

To receive a report from the County Councillor None available

To receive a report from the District Councillors None available

To hear from ConversationPR, the representatives of the West of Stonehouse developers A representative was unable to attend but will come to a future meeting

7. Planning

7.1 To consider the following planning applications:

Date received	Application No:	Address	Details	EPC comments
21.3.18	S.18/0629/HHOLD	Oakview, Claypits	Erection of a detached double garage https://www.stroud.gov.uk/apps/planning?AppRef=S.18/0629/HHOLD	No comments

28.3.18	S.17/2331/OUT – REVISED APPLICATION	Land adjoining Oldbury Lodge, Pike Lock Lane	<i>Erection of new buildings for uses within use class C1 (Hotel) up to 1,908 Sqm (56 Beds), and use classes A3 / A4 Pub (Pub/Restaurant) up to 711 Sqm (Including ancillary manager's apartment) and associated access, servicing, parking, drainage and landscaping (outline application: all matters reserved except for access and scale)</i> https://www.stroud.gov.uk/apps/planning?AppRef=S.17/2331/OUT	Objections stand from EPC previous application. EPC has serious concerns about the exit to the site and visibility and will be consulting our own transport consultant, James Hunter
28.3.18	S.18/0259/REM	Parcel H3-H5 & H8-H10, Land West Of Stonehouse, Grove Lane, Westend.	<i>Reserved matters approval for the development of 262 dwellings plus 8 self-build plots with associated infrastructure, parking, landscaping, public open space and locally equipped area of play - Parcels H3 (Partial), H4 (Partial), H5 and H8 - H10.</i> https://www.stroud.gov.uk/apps/planning?AppRef=S.18/0259/REM	Response drafted by Planning Clerk adopted
28.3.18	S.18/0275/REM	Parcel H1 - H4 Land West Of Stonehouse, Grove Lane, Westend, Stonehouse.	<i>Reserved Matters for development comprising the erection of 138 dwellings and associated landscaping, access and drainage infrastructure - Parcels H1-H4</i> https://www.stroud.gov.uk/apps/planning?AppRef=S.18/0275/REM	Response drafted by Planning Clerk adopted
3.4.18	S.17/1276/FUL	Claypits Farm, Claypits	<i>Consultee appeal notification - Resubmission of S.17/1276/FUL to erection of barn for storage of farm machinery</i> <i>EPC supported the application which was refused by SDC</i>	Support
4.4.18	S.18/0705/HHO LD	Northfields, Nupend	<i>Alterations and extensions</i> https://www.stroud.gov.uk/apps/planning?AppRef=S.18/0705/HHOLD	No comments
5.4.18	S.18/0730/HHO LD	1 St Mary's Eastington	<i>Rear extension</i> https://www.stroud.gov.uk/apps/planning?AppRef=S.18/0730/HHOLD	No comments

7.2 The planning decision made by Stroud District Council was noted:

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S.18/0222/DISCON –Parcels H6 & H7 Discharge of conditions PERMIT 22/03/18.

- 7.3 Council received the written report from the Planning Clerk on the West of Stonehouse Reserved Matters meeting with Barry Wyatt of SDC Planning.
- 7.4 Council approved the proposal by Robert Hitchens to name the main spine road through WoS, Great Oldbury Drive
- 7.5 Council approved the proposal to name WoS streets parcels H1 – H4 and requested that their full names be used for Messrs Almond, Butt, Underwood and Young. Council has no preference about the suffixes.

8. Groups / Meetings / Reports

- 8.1 Council received a verbal update from the Getting Around Group and agreed payments for flower towers (£134+VAT) and two baskets (£105+VAT each).
- 8.2 Council received a verbal update from the Churchyard & Burial Ground Group. All dead flowers and wreaths have been removed but some items were left when it was clear families had left artificial arrangements after adding more flowers. Councillors used their discretion to not touch these. In due course the families may be contacted to see if they can be removed. Wreaths with plastic items had been put in the compost heap and Cllr Loveridge will remove them. Regulations will be amended to review any issues. The design for the memorial garden was discussed and it was proposed to approach Stephen Mills to see if he would like to contribute a design. **Action Clerk**
- 8.3 Council received the notes of the latest meetings of the Strategic Planning Working Group on 22 March and 5 April
- 8.4 Council received a verbal report from Cllr Farnden about her meeting with the Neighbourhood Warden to identify the two passing places on Millend Lane so signs could be placed there indicating that they are passing places. However, the signs aren't mandatory but it is hoped parents picking up children at the school will take note.
- 8.5 Council received the minutes of the Planning Committee meeting held on 22nd March 2018, for information.
- 8.6 Council received the latest monthly report from the SDC Neighbourhood Warden.
- 8.7 Council noted that the Annual Parish Meeting is taking place on Thursday 24th May 7pm at the Village Hall and it was agreed to invite the Neighbourhood Warden and the Principal of the William Morris College. **Action Cllrs Bullock & Corrie.**

9. Finance / Procedures

- 9.1 Council received an update on the 2017/18 accounts including bank reconciliation and noted that accounts adjusted as cheque for £4591.43 returned unpaid because of bank error.
- 9.2 Council approved the payment of Acting Clerk and Planning Clerk's expenses for March 2018.
- 9.2 Council received the Acting Clerk and Planning Clerk's timesheets for February/March 2018 (confidential and not for circulation)
- 9.3 Council noted that the Acting Clerk and Planning Clerk have been offered the opportunity to have a workplace pension, non-contributory by EPC because income will be below the threshold. Both have declined the offer.
- 9.4 Council noted the Internal Auditors report
- 9.5 Council agreed to renew website domain name when it is due for renewal in June 2018 at a cost of £70 plus VAT for 2 years
- 9.6 Council approved the accounts for payment, schedule circulated prior to meeting.

Invoice Date	Payee	Details	Net Amount	VAT	Gross Amount	Budget
CHEQUE PAYMENTS						
26/3/18	Trevor Gardiner	Installation of bins	£60.00	£0	£60.00	
ONLINE PAYMENTS						
28/03/18	Salaries &	Payroll Mar 2018 &	£1913.20	£0	£1913.20	Parish

	Expenses	Expenses Feb 2018				Admin
28/2/18	GAPTC	Annual subscription	£444.95	£0	£444.95	Subs
1/3/18	GAPTC	Independent Auditor Scheme	£255	£0	£255	Audit
	Eastington Village Hall Charity	Hall hire	£71.75	£0	£71.75	Hall hire
25/3/18	Roderick Ellison	Review of WoS reserved matters applications	£1500	£0	£1500	Planning
24/3/18	Community Heartbeat	Annual Support for 2 defibrillators	£252	£0	£252	Earmarked reserves
26/3/18	PATA	Payroll service Jan – Mar 2018	£22.50	£0	£22.50	Parish Admin
3/4/18	A J Loveridge	March grass cutting	£582.50	£0	£582.50	Ground maintenance
9/3/18	Community Heartbeat	Rotaid cabinet for defibrillator	£475.00	£0	£475.00	Defibrillator
5/4/18	Mary Leonard	Locum cover in March	£110.00	£0	£110.00	Parish Admin
28/02/18	Smith's (Gloucester) Ltd OK	Burial Ground bin collection	£7.61	£1.52	£9.13	C&BG
DIRECT DEBITS:						
27/03/18	NEST	Pensions for March 2018	£154.46	£0	£154.46	Parish Admin
20/03/18	Vodafone OK	Parish Mobile	£31.00	£6.20	£37.20	Parish Admin
23.4.18	PWLB	Loan	£2761.48	£0	£2761.48	Loan repayment
TOTAL					£8649.17	

Cllrs Bullock and Chatterley will authorise the online payments.

9.7 Council confirmed the Chair's attendance at NPPF Demystified course on 2 May at a cost of £55.

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10 Correspondence

10.1 Council received a list of correspondence received for information.

10.2 Council considered submitting a resolution to the GAPTC AGM 21 July but did not identify an issue that required addressing by the association.

Meeting closed at 8.30pm

Notice: The next meeting of Eastington Parish Council will be on Thursday 10th May 2018. Anybody with an item they wish to bring to the attention of the Council, should forward details, in writing, to the Clerk to the Parish Council, no later than 9am on Wednesday 2nd May 2018.

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