

STOKE GOLDINGTON PARISH COUNCIL

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Minutes of the Meeting of the Parish Council held on Monday 1st September 2014 at 7.30pm in the Reading Rooms.

Present: Cllr. R.Trett, (Chair), Cllr. D. Warren, Cllr. S. Grant, Ward Cllr. A. Geary(Milton Keynes Council), clerk Mr J. Vischer. 14 members of the public, including SID's volunteers.

1. **Apologies** - Cllr. D Geliher, Cllr. I. Allen
2. **Declarations of Members Interests** – *None*
3. **Minutes of the Last meeting 4th August** – Approved. Proposer Cllr. Grant, Seconder Cllr. Warren. Unanimous.
4. **Matters Arising** - No update on sunken drain covers on the Haversham road (Ward Cllr. Green)
No reply from West Side Farm re - ditch clearance.
5. **Finance** -
 - a. **War Memorial grant application.** No news from MK council. The clerk had been informed that the selection for grant funding was at the final stages and results should be known by the next meeting. HW Mason to be reminded that the work should be carried out soon. **Clerk**
 - b. **Cheques & Balances** approved. Proposer Cllr. Geliher, Seconder Cllr. Grant. Unanimous.

<u>Payee</u>	<u>Service</u>	<u>Billing</u>	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Chq No</u>
J Vischer	Clerk's salary	Aug-14	192.76	102140
HMRC	PAYE (qtr.)	Jul, Aug, Sep	136.40	102141
Warners	Grass cutting	9150, 9214	168.00	102142
Mrs S Kitchen	RR Cleaning	27 th Aug	37.50	102143
			<u>534.66</u>	

Balances

<u>CURRENT ACCOUNT BALANCE</u>	Balance	
bal c/f forward c/acct		1,181.78
Cheques Presented		£579.81
Credits Received		£3,532.30
Sub Total	Sub Total	£4,134.27
<u>Current Account Balance 15 August 2014</u>		<u>£4,134.27</u>
<u>BUSINESS SAVER ACCOUNT BALANCE</u>		<u>£14,859.19</u>
<u>TOTAL CASH AT BANK</u>	<u>15th August 2014</u>	<u>£18,993.46</u>
INCLUDES £5500:00 HELD IN RESERVES		

It was agreed to remind RJ Sharp that his first instalment invoice had yet to be presented. **Clerk**

- c. **External Audit** – Mazars had given a clean audit with two minor book-keeping comments: 1. That the precept grant should be separated from the precept proper and 2. that the value of fixed assets should stay static year-on-year – i.e. the fixed asset register is not 'book' value. (It was noted that this was inconsistent with the advice from the Internal Auditor)
 - d. **Pre-school contract & invoice** – As Cllr. Allen was not present it was agreed that this matter would be dealt with between meetings via email.
6. **Planning** -
previous -
- a. **14/01227/FUL** – Development of Solar Photovoltaic Farm, Tathall End, Hanslope – **still pending**. Ward Cllr. Geary informed the meeting that permission had been granted pending further development work.
 - b. **14/01515/FUL** – Erection of detached bungalow. Land south-east of the Hollow Tree, 19 High St., Stoke Goldington. **Application withdrawn** A letter had been received by the Chair from the

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applicant stating that a new application would be submitted in the near future for a smaller bungalow that will not affect the flood risk.

- c. *14/01561/FUL* – Conversion of single-storey extension of existing barn into residential dwelling. (Re-submission of 13?02455/FUL) 3 George Inn Place, Stoke Goldington - **still pending**
- d. **NEW** *14/01717/FUL* - Demolition of existing conservatory and erection of single-storey rear extension at 5 Leaside, Stoke Goldington – the drawings were reviewed. No comments.
- e. *14/01920/TCA* - Notification of intention to crown reduce by approximately 1.5 - 2m and remove all deadwood to 1x Horse Chestnut tree. 49 High Street Stoke Goldington. No comments.

7. **Sub-committee Reports -**

- a. **Neighbourhood Action Group** – a report on the use of Speed Indicator Devices (SID's) in the village was presented by Ken Foxley, leader of the SID's volunteers:
 - i. The SID's programme had been established by the NAG and in part was designed to be able to compare results between the different parishes north of Milton Keynes city. However only Stoke Goldington and North Crawley were actively engaged. Hanslope had their own equipment but of a different type and so incompatible, Castlethorpe had taken the shared equipment for its turn but not used them, Haversham & Little Linford lacked interest/volunteers (the main through-route is speed-bumped) and Sherington seemed to have regular visits from a police speed monitoring vehicle. This means a clear comparative picture of speeding traffic could not be ascertained.
 - ii. The SID's team had made 4 deployments whose aggregated results showed that 85% of the vehicles entering the village averaged 41mph and exiting averaged 39mph, passing in either direction. 85% is the specified monitoring threshold.

Following questions it was agreed that the Parish Council would invite the Milton Keynes officer in charge of the project, Adrian Carden, to a meeting in order to shed light on the comparative significance of the results, and to establish what, if any, action was warranted.

Ward Cllr. Geary

- b. **Ward Forum** – This will not meet until September 11th.
- c. **Guntrip Fund** – There had been no trustee meetings.
- d. **Reading Rooms** – The sign for the window had not been done - to be carried forward
- e. **Recreation Ground/Highways** – Nothing new.
- f. **Dog Fouling** – No new reports. Falling stickers to be pinned up.

Cllr. Grant

- 8. **Correspondence** – a brochure on street furniture (Glasdon) and a catalogue on tools and equipment. Immediate items requiring attention circulated by email.

9. **Councillors & residents Items -**

- a. **Drain at the bottom of Dag Lane** – no update. (Ward Cllr. Green). Ward Cllr Geary to make enquiries.
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- b. **Car park by allotments** – no update. (Ward Cllr. Green). Ward Cllr Geary to make enquiries.
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- c. **SID's** – see above (NAG)
- d. **NEW** – The Chair had reviewed the MK Minerals Extraction Plan but not found any matter directly affecting the parish.
- e. A resident complained of the general lack of maintenance of overgrowing shrubs, trees and nettles etc. and asked that councillors do a walk around to assess and report. The Chair offered to do this if more information on locations was provided.
Chair
Maltings Close would be attended to by Cllr. Warren.
Cllr. Warren
- f. The Chair reflected on the lack of police presence at meetings, a role that the NAG had usurped. It was agreed that the local beat officer, Andy Perry, be invited to the next Annual Meeting to give a report on crime figures.
- g. Parking half-on and half-off pavements was building up again. Chair to mention in his Gate News piece.

10. **Date of Next Meeting** – 6th October 2014

The meeting closed at 8.40pm

signed

date