

PARISH OF STOKENCHURCH

Minutes of the Meeting of the Parish Council held on Wednesday 19th April 2017
At Longburrow Hall at 7.30pm.

Attendees: Mrs Nuthall (Chairman), Mrs Shelton (Clerk), Mrs Baker, Mrs Powis, Mr Parkinson, Mr I Chadwick, Mr Preece, Mr Thomas, Mr Davis, Mr Saunders, Mr Jones, Mr Penny and 3 members of the public.

1. **Apologies.** Apologies were received from Cllr Etholen, Cllr Adoh & Cllr Saddique
2. **Declarations of Interest.** None.
3. **Minutes.** It was agreed by all those present at that meeting that the minutes of the Council meeting on 5th April 2017 be approved. All agreed with one abstention.
4. **Matters Arising** –None.
5. **Reports and Actions** – Mrs Baker and the clerk attended a meetings at Tippings with Mr Terry Day and Carl Etholen. The clerk read the key points that were discussed at the meeting such as; how the income from Wycombe Wanderers is of key importance to the centre financially. How 70% of the centres booking are from people of this village and how the centre have had good feedback from the junior teams over the past season due to the marking out of extra pitches to accommodate them. The main issue is with the junior team obtaining the right to use the unused piece of land to the rear of the centre. The centre are supportive of this and have given permission for the teams to use the route around the outside of the building and to have use of their changing rooms, however there seems to be issues from the school. Following a discussion it was decided to find out who officially owns the piece of land and arrange a meeting with the Head of the school and Cllr Etholen. Clerk to follow up.
6. **Notification of Parish Matters (information only) — *George Road Parking – Driftway Studley Green – Septic Tank - Mudds Bank Stud Farm – Mudds Bank Recycling Centre – Best Kept Village***
7. **Kings Hotel** – Jo Bartnicke, manager of The Kings Hotel came to the parish council meeting to explain why the works to the hotel are taking so long, stating that unfortunately a plumbing job was being down which totally flooded the cellar and ruined the boiler system. She explained that this is an insurance job and it has been a very long process, they approached the council to allow us to put a temporary boiler in the car park and they tried to carry on trading. Unfortunately, there have been a few hold ups and she is trying her hardest to get the works completed as soon as possible, asking that they be completed by the end of May at the latest. Jo reassured the council that the appropriate risk assessments have been done and everything is completely safe, she also understands that some parishioners are upset by the length of time but states that if the temporary boiler was removed the hotel would have to close. The log cabin was put there because it would have looked very unsightly. The Chairman thanked Jo Bartnicke for coming to update the council of the progress. The Chairman stated that the Kings Hotel had been asked by a photographer for permission to fly a drone in the surrounding area. Following a discussion the Parish Council decided to offer no comment.
8. **Planning** – Planning decisions; permissions and refusals.
 - 05882 - Householder application for erection of single storey rear extension following removal of existing rear extension, extension to rear roof creating half hipped gable, insertion of dormer window to side elevation, 1 x velux rooflight to front and 4 velux rooflights to side elevation in connection with loft extension - Many Trees Horsleys Green Buckinghamshire HP14 3UX (Mr Alex Langstaff-Ellis) No Objection, unanimously agreed.

- 05855- Removal of condition 1 (agricultural occupancy condition) attached to WR/445/52 (Erection of pair of cottages for agricultural workers). expunged - 1 Studdridge Farm Cottages Ibstone Road Stokenchurch Buckinghamshire HP14 3XS (Mr R Smith) No Objection, agreed with one Abstention. Mr Preece asked that when comment we say; with a housing shortage in the area and pressure to build new homes, Stokenchurch Parish Council fully support the lifting of this outdated and pointless agricultural tie, so that these two cottages can be released to general housing stock at the earliest opportunity.
- 05796- Householder application for construction of single storey side extension, single storey rear extension, raised decking to rear, garage conversion, new roof lights within existing flat roof, adjustments to existing side windows and new flue to log stove - Badgers Way St Francis Road Studley Green Buckinghamshire HP14 3UZ – (Mr & Mrs Tim Ricks) No Comment.
- 05827 -Erection of detached stable block adjacent to existing stable block for use as stabling and food storage - Beechwood Horsleys Green Road Stokenchurch Buckinghamshire HP14 3UR – (Mr & Mrs Michael Berg) No Objection, unanimously agreed.

9. District and County Councillors: None present.

10. Finance-

- Bills Payable to the amount of £2205.10, unanimously agreed.

11. Correspondence – Clerk reads out a letter for a request for a TENS licence for a party at Longburrow Hall on 21st October 2017 for Mr Stuart Johnson, request was approved. Clerk had received an email from a parishioner about the damage to the common near the Fleur De Lis public house. Following discussion, it was decided that we remove the metal post and replace with a wooden one and at this current time the parish council have noted the comments but are happy with what is there and shall review the area again next year. The clerk had received a request from the Day Centre following the hall hire cost increase due to come into effect as the 1st July 2017. The request was for the cost to be £11.50 per hour for the day centre and not an increase to £12.00 per hour. Following a discussion where it was noted that the day centre receive several other benefits free of charge at Longburrow Hall the request was not granted. The parish council noted that the new hall hire charges apply to all hall hirers. A parishioner informed the council that the community transport AGM is on the 11th of May 2017, if anyone would like to raise any queries, they may have.

12. The Commons – Mrs Baker reported that the fence where the Jaguar garage wanted access has now been removed completely and is open all the time. Mr Preece informed the council that Mr Sweeney should be applying for a change of use and then the parish council will be able to comment on the hours of trading. The chairman asked the clerk to contact Gemma Davis for an update. Clerk gave an update on Richard Thompson and the posts on the common stating the remainder of the post survey works should be completed shortly.

13. Other Parish Matters- *George Road Parking* – The Chairman informed the council that Mr Preece had been Trying his best to get NSL to come and enforce the yellow lines at George Road. Mr Preece explained that the last reply from Mrs Reinecke was that the CEO have been out but Mr Preece stated that no one has yet been and he will keep trying. The Chairman informed the council that she had spoken to Tom Mc Carthy who installed the bollards at George Road informing him that the bollards are not having much effect at the junction. The chairman explained that there will be a site meeting on Tuesday 25th April at 1 pm and invited other councillors to attend asking for them to take photographs of the appalling traffic in the area should they see any. The Chairman also informed the council that we shall shortly be receiving the date for the installation of the bollards at CJ's. ***Driftaway Studley Green*** –Mr

Jones asked if the parish council knew what is happening at this site. The Chairman declared an interest in the property as the property is owned by John Lee which is the Chairman's employer but said she believes that from her understanding that all permissions are in place and Mr & Mrs Lee are in dialogue with WDC planning enforcement. The Chairman requested that Mr Jones was to liaise with either John Lee or WDC planning enforcement for more information. **Mudds Bank Stud Farm – Septic Tank** – Mr Saunders reported that there is a septic tank at Mudds Bank. Clerk will report to planning. **Berry Farm** - Mr Saunders reported that Berry Farm have started taking the barns down but they not getting rid of the wood. **Mudds Bank Recycling** – The Chairman informed the council that there is now notification up for the removal of the recycling bins in the Mudds Bank layby and stated that the vegetation really need to be cut down to deter fly-tipping. The clerk updated the council on the latest correspondence from TFB regarding the vegetation stating that after a year of excuses TFB are now saying their machinery will not cut it. A suggestion was made to get a private quote for the works and get TFB to pay the bill, clerk to follow up. **Best Kept Village** – The Chairman stated that we think the judging for the best kept village will start early June, so we need to make the village look good so can we organise a community litter pick, a suggested date was Saturday 27th May at 10 am. Mr Thomas gave an update on the allotments stating that one of the allotment plot holders was not very happy that someone lit a fire and burnt her fruit.

There being no further business the meeting ended at 9.20pm