

To STRETE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

Strete Parish Hall, Strete
Thursday 17th December 2015 at 6.00pm

PUBLIC FORUM – No members of the public attended.

COUNTY COUNCILLOR'S REPORT – Cllr. J. Brazil - No report

DISTRICT COUNCILLORS REPORT – Cllr. R. Foss – No report

PRESENT: Kate Gill (Vice-Chairman) Ralph Clark, Louise Newman, David Rothwell
In attendance : S. Winstanley (Clerk)

1. **APOLOGIES** – Malcolm Hollis, Ian Cumberlidge, Harry Fenton
2. **MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING HELD ON 19th November 2015**
It was proposed seconded and *resolved* that the Chair should sign the Minutes as a true and correct record .
3. **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST** – Members are invited to declare any personal or disclosable pecuniary interests, including the nature and extent of such interests they may have in any items to be considered at this meeting. There were no Declarations.
4. **CLERK'S REPORT** – No report
5. **CHAIRMAN'S REPORT**
The Chairman being absent, K. Gill made reference to a note which the Chairman had sent covering the following points:
 - Solar powered reactive speed sign – Highways need to approve this.
 - Fuge Road - problems if Slapton Line is closed.
 - Sewerage system – The problems with the reed bed are serious. Contact with SWW is in progress to try and find a solution.
- 6 **PLANNING:**
To be considered: 54/2495/15/F – School House TQ6 ORR
Renovations and alterations to dwelling
Following discussion it was *resolved* to recommend refusal due to the render which it is proposed to use instead of the existing hanging slates which will not be in keeping with the Parish in a Conservation Area and the AONB.
7. **NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN – Report by R. Clark on the Neighbourhood Plan**
 - Approval of the Plan Area for Strete has been received from SHDC. No objections to the proposed plan area.
 - Quotations received for proposed publications, printing, distribution & collection to proposed Household Survey, upgrading the website, Parish Hall hire.
 - A draft grant application has been prepared for submission before the New Year.

- Steering Group meetings took place on 7th December.
- R. Clark provided suggestions on how to summarise comments received during Open Meetings
Each statement should provide basic facts/evidence relating to the item in the Household Survey to assist Parishioners in their voting decision. .
- It is hoped that a draft survey document and draft statements will be provided at the next meeting
- The household survey document and publication is still planned to be completed for distribution by February 2016.

8. PARISH WEBSITE. To discuss the website.

- The proposed design by Kingsbridge Websites was adopted.
- A grant for the website can be applied for and the hosting will be £49 pa with the first year free. It is hoped to have the website live after Christmas.
- It was agreed the hosting be transferred to Ian Judge of KW.
- The PC part of the website is the legal responsibility of the Parish Clerk.
- David Ferguson has offered to manage the remainder of the website.

9. To consider setting up Speedwatch in the Parish – postponed till next meeting.

10. COUNCILLOR'S REPORTS

- Planning and Neighbourhood Plan - R. Clark - as above.
- Security – D. Rothwell – Defibrillator – training will be organized and advertised.
- Village Green – K. Gill – Two new benches have been erected together with a new sign. 50 trees have been planted.
- Play Park – K. Gill – M. Hanson is constructing a new fence. The goal posts are not standing up well.
- Tree Warden – No report
- Transport – L. Newman - J. Gilbert is going ahead cutting the hedges. The road down to Blackpool needs sweeping.

12. FINANCE

- To approve payment of the following cheques:
 - 1370 – £39.23 – travel to training and flash drive
 - 1371 - Cancelled
 - 1372 - £191.92 – M. Hanson – installing goal posts.
 - 1373 - £80 – C. Ellis – replace gate post
 - 1374 - £299.00 – Kingsbridge Website deposit (if agreed)
 - 1375- £7.65 – travel to training 1/4
 - 1376 - £51.00 – S. Winstanley to reimburse for payment to DALC – training 1/4
 - 1377 - £182.49 – S. Winstanley (December)
 - 1378 - £136.80 – HMRC *Resolved*
- To set the Precept (Budget & accounts forwarded)
Following discussion it was *resolved* to increase the Precept by £444 to £9,100, to make provision for Lengthsman services. This will result in Parishioners paying an additional £1 per year.
- To discuss the Transparency Code.
It was agreed that the proposed new website would comply with the requirements of the Code and that grants be applied for to provide a Samsung tablet, a scanner & the website for the PC.
- Cash at bank – £22,045. 15 (including VAT payment £1193.95)
- To consider a request for a grant from Citizens Advice Bureau
It was *resolved* to grant CAB £25.

13. CORRESPONDENCE - None

14. DATE OF NEXT MEETING – 21st January 2016 – Strete Parish Hall at 7pm.

Signed

Chair

ACTION POINTS :

Clerk

- 1. To write to Portway to transfer the hosting of the website**
- 2. To contact Highways re. permission for a reactive sign.**
- 3. To contact L. Newman re. payments for hedge cutting.**
- 4. To arrange defibrillator training in January**

D. Rothwell