

**MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON THURSDAY 17<sup>th</sup> January 2019 AT 7.15pm AT  
STENSON FIELDS PRIMARY SCHOOL, STENSON FIELDS**

Present: - Cllrs C Fellows (Chair), GS Dhillon, I Baker, K Rogers, K Butterworth and P Richardson.  
In attendance: - DCllr D Shepherd, Steve Hawkridge (lengthsman) and J Irons (clerk).

**PART 1 – NON-CONFIDENTIAL INFORMATION**

**1100/18 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE.**

R Lisewski (whose father is ill), and CCllr N Atkin (at a Pensions meeting): members approved their absences.

**1101/18 VARIATION OF ORDER OF BUSINESS:** to accept the District councillor's report when he arrives.

**1102/18 DECLARATION OF MEMBERS INTERESTS:** None

**1103/18 PUBLIC SPEAKING**

- a) One of our lengthsman, Steve Hawkridge, offered to give his report at item 9.3 below.
- b) Police - No representative from the police was present.

**CCllr Neil Atkin's Report** - In his absence CCllr Atkin sent the clerk the following report:

*'There has been no business from DCC since the festive season ended; the DCC budget report should be available shortly.*

*The only update I have is regarding the food premises - Nac food outlet.*

*Since my last report an application was received to licence the premises. An inspector has been out to assess the premises. If any food / hygiene regulations were breached the applicant will be asked to rectify any issues or problems found before a certificate is granted.*

*This does not include the signage situation on the round-a-bout. On further enquiries I understand there are no breaches regarding advertising 'A' boards on the highway verges, however those on the island are removed at the end of the day's trading. On a personal observation it appears the hours of trading are mainly from early morning until early afternoon (2pm approx)*

*Hope this clarifies things. Not an ideal conclusion, however, until something has been breached nothing can be done at this stage'.*

**1104/18 TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON 20<sup>th</sup> December 2018**

These were approved and accepted as a true record after which they were signed by the chairman.

**1105/18 TO DETERMINE WHICH ITEMS IF ANY TO BE TAKEN WITH THE PUBLIC EXCLUDED - None.**

**1106/18 CHAIRMAN'S ANNOUNCEMENTS AND REPORTS**

The chairman did not attend any meetings over the festive season and therefore had nothing to report.

**1107/18 CLERK'S REPORT & CORRESPONDENCE**

HMRC has failed to present the last 2 tax demand cheques for payment; clerk has written to them twice and awaits a reply. Clerk received confirmed dates from SDDC for its summer play provision at Fox Close. Clerk wrote to Highways explaining the damage being caused to the verge at Zetland Crescent/ Dulverton Road by a van parked on it. Clerk returned council's laptop to the chairman.

**1108/18 Matters for Decision or Discussion:**

- a) Police Issues/Speed Limits/Road Safety. Cllr Butterworth is dismayed that speeding cars continue to roam Arleston Lane and Wragley Way. He also noted several break-ins in the area. Clerk to tell the PCSO of these events and mentioned that car speeding may subside once the police's Speedwatch speed gun monitoring begins.

b) Saxon Gate at Newton Village Development, Stenson Road. Cllr Dhillon is pleased to say residents are showing interest in the new Community Centre, the building of which is progressing swiftly.

c) Environmental issues (Biffa, trees, bulbs, bins etc). Cllr Rogers highlighted that a pile of wood shavings from tree trimming has lay on Wragley Way for a few weeks; clerk to ask the Clean Team to remove. Both Steve Hawksridge and the clerk told SDDC about rats at Dulverton Road/Stenson Road near the balancing pond; Steve informed the resident who reported it and who appreciates it being addressed. Steve has reported increased parcels of fly-tipped waste in certain locations to the Clean Team. Cllr Richardson, as well as other members, is upset that the new dog waste bins (at Glenmore Drive and Grampian Way) have not yet been installed; clerk to send the details to DCllr Shepherd who kindly offered to chase this with district's Environment manager. He will also ask whether SDDC will relocate an old dog bin at Zetland Crescent to Stenson Road (next to or affixed to the parish 'Welcome' sign on the parish side of the A50)

Clerk asked Steve whether the mound of branches, twigs and concrete on Garry Close has grown since he reported it; Steve thought not but if it does will call the Clean Team (who may then investigate its source). Steve confirmed that he and Jane will be on holiday from 5<sup>th</sup> to 19<sup>th</sup> February; clerk to ask Samuel Lisewski whether he can provide a service during these dates.

Cllr Rogers rues the potholes on Arleston Lane; clerk to report to Highways.

1109/18 **DCllr Shepherd arrived at 7.40pm.**

Stenson Ward Councillors - Cllr Manjit Chahal and David Shepherd's Report to Stenson Fields Parish Council  
17th January 2019

#### Sinfin Lane Incinerator

Stenson Ward Councillors have opposed the construction of the incinerator for many years. Residents of Stenson Fields report that unpleasant odours have caused them to keep their windows closed in hot weather. Cllr Shepherd attended the recent public meeting in Sinfin to support residents. Cllrs Chahal and Shepherd have also been contacted regarding the vehicles accessing and exiting the site not turning left as required. They have been in contact with Derby City Council regarding the matter.

Waste from approximately 10 out of the 40 of South Derbyshire's refuse collection rounds is being directly delivered into the Sinfin site each fortnight, along with a proportion of our bulky waste collections and commercial waste collection round. This amount equates to 13% of our 'directly delivered' refuse collection in accordance with the directions from Derbyshire County Council. The remainder of the refuse is delivered into a waste transfer station in Burton where it is bulked up and delivered into the Sinfin site. There is a defined route to access the site which is along Sinfin Lane with vehicles permitted only to turn left into and out of the Sinfin site vehicles which need to turn to achieve this must do so using the Grampian island or on Foresters Way.

#### New Stenson Ward Housing Plans under the Local Plan – part 1,

Cllrs Chahal and Shepherd have been contacted regarding plans for new housing locally. The site sits within South Derbyshire District Council's boundaries but also runs adjacent to Derby City Council's boundaries. The site was allocated in South Derbyshire's Local Plan Part I for residential development in June 2016 and will deliver new homes. A project team including has been appointed to prepare a masterplan and planning application for the site. The project team are currently undertaking extensive survey and technical work, including important matters such as transport, access, drainage and ecology which will inform the masterplan and subsequent planning application for the site. Prior to submitting a planning application the developers have asked to meet with Stenson Ward Councillors before undertaking consultation with the wider community. Cllr Shepherd, who has asked that Stenson Fields Parish Council Chair may also be invited, has accepted the invitation and is awaiting a date from the developers. Section 106 agreement matters will be high on Stenson Ward councillors list for clarification!

#### Lack of Road Signage and Anti-social Parking on the New Stenson Road Estate – Response from Derbyshire County Council's Economy Transport and Environment – Traffic Management

Derbyshire County Council confirmed that the enquiry regarding Stenson Fields, which has been passed to their team to investigate the speeding, signage, road markings and parking issues. They asked for the junctions causing residents concern be identified. Cllrs Chahal and Shepherd informed them that the Earls Drive/Merevale Way and the Merevale Way/Chartley Road/Parslane Court junction have been raised by residents.

The County Council state that speeding is a problem on many roads throughout the County and the Government is trying to address this issue nationally through education. Derbyshire County Council supports this initiative with local

campaigns and works in close partnership with the Police to identify other methods of reducing speed. We know that most motorists drive safely in our area but those who do not pose a threat to others. They maintain that the police are the body to enforce the law, unfortunately Derbyshire has lost police numbers over the past few years. The recommendation is to contact the CREST (Casualty Reduction Enforcement Support Team) <https://www.crestderbyshire.org/about-us/report-a-speeding-concern/>. CREST are the enforcement arm of the Derby and Derbyshire Safer Roads Partnership (DDRSP) and also contribute to the operations that Derbyshire Constabulary perform. They also have their own Twitter account (@CRESTDerbyshire) so that they can inform as many people as possible about their locations, operations and general road safety information. PCSO Dunn also informs Cllrs Chahal and Shepherd that a Speedwatch group is being formed in the ward. The parking issues are widespread, motorists are required to ensure that they do not obstruct or endanger other road users in accordance with the Highway Code. Police are able to undertake enforcement action but must demonstrate that the parking is "unreasonable". The Safer Neighbourhoods Team may assist. Residents may call 01629 533190 requesting Civil Parking Enforcement, an officer can be deployed if there is one in the area.

#### Stenson Fields Community Facility on Merevale Way - Usage Costing

The cost of using the hire of the new Community Facility was discussed at the Housing & Community Services (Special – Budget) on Tuesday, 08 January 2019. The prices are listed below to which VAT is added.

Cllr Shepherd said that he hoped that the prices could be reduced in the near future.

(New facility due to come online Spring 2019)

Hire of Main Hall - Off Peak (Mon-Fri 7am till 4pm) per hour £10.00 (Proposed fee)

Hire of Main hall - Peak (Mon-Fri 4pm till 10pm, Sat any time) per hour £15.00 (Proposed fee)

Hire of Main hall - Peak (Sun/Bank Holiday) 1st hour £22.50

Hire of Main hall - Peak (Sun/Bank Holiday) per hour after 1st hour £15.00

Hire of Main hall - After 10pm any day £25.00

Hire of Meeting Room - Off Peak (Mon-Fri 7am till 4pm) per hour £10.00

Hire of Meeting Room - Peak (Mon-Fri 4pm till 10pm, Sat any time) per hour £12.50

Hire of Meeting Room - Peak (Sun/Bank Holiday) 1st hour £12.50

Hire of Meeting Room - Peak (Sun/Bank Holiday) per hour after 1st hour £18.75

Hire of Meeting Room - After 10pm any day £25.00

Stenson Fields Community Centre - Use of full kitchen for catered functions (discretionary charge) £30.00. Charge only implemented if additional cleaning required following hire.

#### Walk with PCSO Dunn around Stenson Fields

Councillors would like to thank PCSO for her excellent work for Stenson Ward. She attends the monthly Stenson Ward Councillors' Advice Surgeries when she is able and is happy to walk the estate with councillors. She accompanied you councillors on Thursday 10th January, residents have expressed their appreciation that the police have been seen on the estate.

#### Repton Area Forum – Wenesday 23rd January 2019, 6.30 in Milton Village Hall

The next meeting will be attended by Stenson Ward Councillors who intend to raise:

- The Section 106 Agreement – New Development
- The situation regarding the Incinerator on Sinfin Lane – Request to Join the Derby City Council Liaison Team.
- Tree problems in Stenson Ward
- Lack of a response from Derbyshire County Council regarding footway and highways matters concerns raised.

*Cllr David Shepherd*

The chairman thanked DCllr Shepherd who left at 8.20pm.

#### **1110/18 order of agenda items resumed.**

d) Steve Hawkridge had sent the lengthsman's timesheets to the clerk beforehand. Steve added to his earlier comments saying that the refuse freighter is due on 2<sup>nd</sup> February at the pub; clerk handed Steve 2 posters to display on notice boards (although more can be photocopied). Steve has removed posters on the notice boards advertising a handyman from outwith the area. He is disappointed to see messy general waste (including nappies and discarded food) in the

bottom of some black bins; unfortunately the refuse collectors will not empty such waste unless it is wrapped in black bags.

Finally, after having replaced hand-grips on equipment at Fox Close it seems these are missing again; Steve to confirm to the clerk tomorrow who the await members' instructions on whether to replace.

*The chairman thanked both Steve and Jane for their ongoing service.*

e) Website designer update. **Resolved:** clerk sent a completed questionnaire of details required to the website designer in late December and reminded them today. We await their reply although clerk senses that the developer is in the process of creating a template for a new site.

f) To consider upgrading the Ledbury Chase play equipment. **Resolved:** held over to the next meeting.

g) Outcome of the recent the budget review. Not held and therefore discussed tonight. **Resolved:** budget was adopted.

h) To sign the Form A precept request for 2019-20. **Resolved:** duly signed by both chairman and clerk; the level of precept remains the same as last year at £3000.

#### 1111/18 PLANNING

**Applications – none.**

**Clerk has added the following decision to the minutes:** - THE DISPLAY OF ILLUMINATED AND NON-ILLUMINATED SIGNAGE AT STENSON FIELDS PUBLIC HOUSE PILGRIMS WAY STENSON FIELDS: Advert Consent Approved.

#### 1112/18 FINANCE

a) Accounts for payment as follows were approved and signed:

Cheque No	Payee	Total £
002212	J Irons – Clerk’s salary 4 weeks to 17 <sup>th</sup> December	504.01
002212	J Irons - clerk expenses (see attached sheet) November - December	36.20
002213	J Hawkridge - Lengthsman pay 4 weeks to 17 <sup>th</sup> December	245.62
002214	S Hawkridge - Lengthsman pay 4 weeks to 17 <sup>th</sup> December	223.18
002215	HMRC –employee’s tax & NI in December	132.30
002216	DCC – clerk’s pension return in January	152.12
002217	Elvaston Parish Council – contribution to a new laptop hard drive	100.00
002218	Streetscape – fitting of new handles on fitness equipment at Fox Close	186.00
	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>1579.43</b>

(b) **Income** – bank interest on 30<sup>th</sup> November £4.12

(c) **Bank balances as at 27<sup>th</sup> December 2018** £ 6235.11 (current account);  
£ 5579.78 (reserve account).

#### 1113/18 TO RECEIVE FEEDBACK AND REPORTS FROM COUNCIL REPRESENTATIVES ON OUTSIDE BODIES

Cllr Rogers has received the minutes of the last PPG meeting but has not yet read them. The new extension at Hollybrook surgery is progressing.

#### 1114/18 ITEMS FOR INFORMATION

No major items of interest had been received by the clerk; DALC circulars have been sent to members.

#### 1115/18 Agenda items for the next meeting.

- Police Issues/Speed Limits/Road Safety;
- Saxon Gate at Newton Village Development, Stenson Road;
- Lengthsmen Scheme;
- Environmental issues (Biffa, trees, bulbs, bins, etc);
- Website update;
- To consider upgrading/ painting the Ledbury Chase play equipment;
- Update of the Fox Close equipment hand-grips;
- Apologies received in advance from Cllr Lisewski and Rogers.

**1116/18 DATE OF NEXT MEETING**

The next Ordinary Parish Council meeting will be held on Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> February 2019, commencing at 7:15pm and will be held in the Stenson Fields Primary School.

There being no other business, the Chairman thanked attendees for their input and closed the meeting at 8:35pm.

Signed..... Date.....