

**MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON THURSDAY 17th May 2018 AT 7.15PM
AT STENSON FIELDS PRIMARY SCHOOL, STENSON FIELDS**

Present: - Cllrs C Fellows (Chair), R Lisewski, P Richardson, I Baker, K Rogers and K Butterworth.

In attendance: - DCllr D Shepherd and J Irons (clerk).

PART 1 – NON-CONFIDENTIAL INFORMATION

983/18 Election of Chairman.

Cllr Fellows was proposed by Cllr Richardson and seconded by Cllr Baker. **RESOLVED:** Cllr Fellows was elected and duly signed his declaration of acceptance of office form.

984/18 Election of Vice-Chairman.

Cllr Lisewski was proposed by Cllr Cllr Baker and seconded by Cllr Richardson. **Resolved:** Cllr Lisewski was elected and duly signed his declaration of acceptance of office form.

985/18 Apologies for Absence.

Cllrs P Bonnell (work commitments), K Butterworth (lateness), GS Dhillon (holiday), DCllr M Chahal (attending the SDDC AGM), CCllr N Atkin (attending another meeting) and PCSO Harriet Dunn. Members deferred approval for the absences. Clerk to contact SDDC's monitoring officer regarding an absent member.

986/18 **VARIATION OF ORDER OF BUSINESS** None

987/18 **DECLARATION OF MEMBERS INTERESTS** None

988/18 **Declaration of councillors' agreement to abide by the Code of Conduct.** Members present duly agreed to abide by the code.

989/18 PUBLIC SPEAKING

a) Police - No representative from the police was present but the new PCSO Harriet Dunn sent her apologies and commented that there haven't been many incidents in Stenson although a few thefts from vehicles around Repton and Willington had occurred. She advised residents not to keep valuables in vehicles and make sure cars are always locked.

b) District and County Councillor Reports – members agreed to accept the district councillor's report on his arrival. In his absence CCllr Atkin sent the clerk the following report:

Week Commencing: 18th April 2018. Annual Parish Report

I would like to thank all those who turned out to last May irrespective of which political party / person they voted for, it was a reasonable high turnout.

Since being appointed to represent the community at Derbyshire County Council I seem to have taken on the workload of my predecessor Rob Davison plus a few other outside appointments. My main portfolio is as vice-chairman of Pensions and Investments Committee to manage £4.5billion pound worth of investment with contributions made by 100,000 members so far.

This role has now moved forward as from 1st April we have now merged our investments with 9 other local authorities to create the LGPS Central Pool with an investment portfolio of £40billion of which I represent the authority on the new Board. On top of this I also have to attend LAPFF Board meetings in London.

I have also been appointed to the Derbyshire Fire & Rescue Authority and can safely say they are now in good hands with plans to improve the service infrastructure across the County. You will see new Community Fire Stations incorporating all blue light services under one roof in the future as they very much depend on each other when called out. DFRC have now built and opened a new training centre based at the Police HQ, also incorporated into the building an indoor fire arms training centre for police personnel. All blue light services have the opportunity to use the state of the art facilities and 3D screens with virtual TV scenes to train firefighters and officers to work alongside the Ambulance service and Police

There will be a public open day planned for August and I hope that many of you will take the opportunity to come along and find out more of what they do.

I have represented Aston Division on many outside bodies mainly the East Midland Airport Consultative Committee and the Sand Gravel Liaison committee's (Shardlow & Elvaston). The information and comments from these meetings are further discussed at the Derby and Derbyshire Joint plans committee, held at Matlock which cover all quarrying consultations from around the County. One other high profile portfolio I now hold is being on the Elvaston Castle & Gardens Trust two sub-committee's which have yet to meet the first is planned for next week.

During the 11 months I have been on the authority I have answered many queries from Parish Councils and members of the public mainly on Highway matters where we are seeing some of the worst seasonal damage for many years. We hope to resolve this issue over the next few months to bring the situation under control before next winter settles in.

I will also continue to lobby and ask for new highway improvements to be included in future budget proposals as well as existing highways infrastructure needing repairs.

I have also dealt with queries on education provision covering Primary & Secondary school funding for existing and potential new school sites.

Looking ahead starting on the 12th May will be a new consultation in line with the Council Plan on Library provision across the County with 25 offering to be run by volunteers and the other 20 being run by DCC. There are at this stage no plans for redundancies, however the funding structure will change to accommodate the new plans. DCC will continue to fund the Library portfolio on a reduced budget for the same services

It should be noted a local authority (North Yorkshire?) has won an award for volunteers running their entire Library portfolio.

At Matlock there have been many staff changes over the last few months, we have seen the departure of the Chief Executive as the authority move towards having Strategic Directors.

The budget now in place will help us achieve our savings target and provide better services. The extra 2% for adult services will provide the elderly with carers to enable them to stay at home rather than in hospital and also provide the authority with new care homes as well as improving existing care homes no longer fit for purpose are some of the proposals put forward.

This is just a snapshot of things at the present time and I will continue to represent Aston Division to the best of my ability and thank you for your continued support.

990/18 TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE (2) MEETINGS HELD ON 19th April 2018

These were approved and accepted as a true record once a minor amendment of the ordinary minutes was made after which they were signed by the chairman.

991/18 TO DETERMINE WHICH ITEMS IF ANY TO BE TAKEN WITH THE PUBLIC EXCLUDED - None.

992/18 CHAIRMAN'S ANNOUNCEMENTS AND REPORTS

With being absent the APM the chairman read his report as follows:

Chairman's Report 2017 2018

Boundary Change

The Parish now includes the whole of the Saxon Gate/Newton Village development and potential neighbouring developments to the west of Stenson Rd. The Parish now also includes land to the south of Wragley Way, previously part of the parishes of Barrow on Trent and Twyford and Stenson. As Richard has pointed out, some consequences of this are that our Parish is now split between two different District Council Wards and two separate Safer Neighbourhood/Forum areas. These matters will no doubt, be items for future discussions.

Safe Crossing Place, Stenson Rd

It is with regret that Derbyshire County Council continues to rule out the provision of a Pedestrian Crossing and a reduction in the speed limit from 40mph to 30mph. This despite the fact that all of the facilities, including Stenson Fields Primary School, can only be reached by crossing the increasingly busy Stenson Rd. Repeated requests have been met with constant refusals from the County Council. I have concerns that another serious incident will occur unless a safe crossing point is provided.

Infinity Garden Village

Despite its Garden Village designation this Wragley Way development will be an addition to our community, the vast majority of which will be in our Parish. I'm hopeful that the Parish Council will continue to be involved in discussions in an effort to secure the provision of community facilities within this development.

Pam's Legacy

The memorial bench in honour of former parish clerk Pam Harvey has now been provided.

Closing Statement

Finally could I thank all Parish Councillors, our District and County Councillors and residents, for their continued help and support and Richard for his help and support as Vice Chairman. I also thank Jonathan for his support, help and service as our Clerk. Also, on behalf of the Parish Council, I thank the Lengthsmen for their hard work and dedication in a job that can be difficult and frustrating. Thanks to Kath and also Jack, our longest serving lengthsmen, who have both decided to retire and best wishes to them both and thanks to Samuel for his continued work.

Charles Fellows, Chairman to Stenson Fields, Parish Council

993/18 - DCllr Dave Shepherd arrived at 7.28pm.

1. DCllr Shepherd stated that procedures over the IGV, such as data protection etc, are being decided at district council. He has voiced his concerns many times over the project including mistakes being made in its inception and that it has little public support. However, officers have granted it.
2. Vandalism to cars has occurred around the Nevis Close footpath several times; DCllr Shepherd will survey and decide if it warrants closure and does not rule out the use of CCTV. This may be raised at the next SNM where a new format allows the police contribution to start at 6.30pm and the Area Forum held immediately afterwards with an intended finish time of 8.30pm.
3. The play area at Saxon Gate is almost finished and will be opened soon. Cllr Lisewski rued that work on the Community Centre should begin on 27th June and that SDDC ought to enforce this date. Cllr Baker thought a meeting with the developer should be arranged; DCllr Shepherd will invite an SDDC officer and the developer to the next parish meeting and/or a site visit.

DCllr Shepherd left at 7.55pm.

994/18 CLERK'S REPORT & CORRESPONDENCE

1. Clerk received no reply from City Council or Davidsons over yellow lines at Wragley Way and will remind them. This may also be raised at the next IGV meeting.
2. No reply was received from Cllr Atkin regarding social care provision.
3. SDDC replied stating that fitting a mesh surface to the goalmouths at Fox Close POS is unviable. Members **agreed** the clerk ask if it will allow council to buy and fit meshing citing Saxon Gate as having such materials. Clerk to obtain a new quote from Streetscape.
4. The chairman received a civic award from the voluntary services at Pride Park's recent South Derbyshire Day for his dedication to the parish council.

995/18 Appointment of members to Committees & Sub Committees, working parties and/or external bodies.

1. Cllr Fellows is a Governor at the Primary School but as such does not represent the parish council. However, if permitted by the School, he may provide reports emanating from Governor's Meetings.
2. Cllr Rogers will attend the local health committee.
3. The Finance Group to comprise Cllrs Fellows, Lisewski, Dhillon and Richardson.
4. Barrett Liaison meetings; Cllrs Fellows, Lisewski and Baker.
5. Safer Neighbourhood Meetings: all members.
6. Infinity Garden Village meetings: Cllrs Fellows and Lisewski

996/18 Matters for Decision or Discussion:

a) Environmental issues (Biffa, trees, bulbs, bins etc). Biffa sent a cheque to council as reimbursement for several non-collections; clerk reiterated to the firm that it should ensure the correct details are inserted on council's new contract and that we require reimbursement for another 6 non-collections. Cllr Baker kindly offered to deposit the cheque at the bank. Cllr Baker is collating information regarding planting of bulbs and trees in the area and circulated

photos of sites to members earlier this day. Cllr Butterworth noticed that a conifer had been planted immediately next to a lamp post on Wragley Way; clerk to report to Highways. Cllr Baker said a new bin has not yet been installed at Zetland Crescent; clerk to contact SDDC.

b) Police Issues/Speed Limits/Road Safety. Cllr Butterworth noticed a police mobile speed van at Hobkirk Drive recently. Cllr Lisewski was pleased to comment that the PCSO has warned 4 scrap-metal vans plaguing the area, some of which appear not to be legitimate.

c) Saxon Gate at Newton Village Development, Stenson Road; discussed earlier.

d) Lengthsman Scheme including possible appointment of a new employee. The chairman handed the lengthsman's work sheets to the clerk. Mrs Fellows has resigned and Mr Harvey will do so shortly. A new lengthsman was interviewed by the chairman and vice-chairman before tonight's meeting and her employment begins tomorrow. She will send her payroll details to the clerk who will arrange for a DBS check to be conducted.

e) Annual review of the council's policies. **Resolved:** no amendments to existing policies; and the standing orders will meet present needs after necessary amendments having been made to comply with the new 2018 regulations. The government is currently amending the GDPR bill that may result in parish and town councils not requiring appointing a Data Protection Officer.

f) To consider the 6-month absence rule. **Resolved:** clerk to obtain further advice from SDDC's monitoring officer in respect of a member's absences and suggest she write to the member.

g) To consider the insurance quote from BHIB for 2018/19. **Resolved:** to accept the quote and procure payment this evening.

h) Website designer update. **Resolved:** Clerk will review a new designer's template and report at the next meeting.

i) To consider upgrading the Ledbury Chase play equipment. **Resolved:** clerk to circulate a link to 3 contactors' websites allowing members to peruse.

997/18 PLANNING

Applications

9/2018/0431 - THE ERECTION OF A TWO STOREY SIDE EXTENSION AT 50 EGGESFORD ROAD STENSON FIELDS.

Resolved: no objection.

Decisions.

9/2018/0199 - THE ERECTION OF BOUNDARY FENCE AT 2 CAERHAYS COURT STENSON FIELDS. Householder Permission Granted.

Consultations. None.

998/18 FINANCE

a) Accounts for payment

Cheque No	Payee	Total £
002162	J Irons – Clerk's salary April to May	504.01
002162	J Irons expenses (see attached sheet) April to May	96.86
002163	K Fellows - Lengthsman pay April to May	78.30
002164	J Harvey - Lengthsman pay April to May	32.91
002165	HMRC –employee's tax & NI April to May	140.50
002166	DCC – clerk's pension April to May	152.12
002167	Diane Malley – payroll services 2018-19	139.75
002168	Helen Daniels – internal audit 2017-18	80.00
002169	BHIB Brokers - insurance renewal 2018-19	436.81
	TOTAL	1661.26

* New insurance company renewal over 3 years has reduced from £489.86 charged by Aon Insurance.

(b) Income – Biffa reimbursement for non-collections £ 333.06;

(c) Bank balances as at 25th April 2018 current £ 25458.22;
 Reserve £ 5579.78

(d) Clerk to draft a letter for the bank allowing information about accounts to be released to the clerk and send to the chairman for authorisation by 2 signatories.

999/18 TO RECEIVE FEEDBACK AND REPORTS FROM COUNCIL REPRESENTATIVES ON OUTSIDE BODIES

Cllr Rogers reported that to date no money has been spent on the Sinfin Centre. He intends asking the practice manager about this and whether a surgery is intended for the new estate when he sees him.

1000/18 ITEMS FOR INFORMATION

The clerk circulated 1 item.

1001/18 Agenda items for the next meeting.

- Environmental issues (Biffa, trees, bulbs, bins, etc);
- Reply from SDDC's open spaces manager over Fox Close (if any);
- Website designer update;
- Reply from CCllr Atkin over social care provision within the council tax (if any);
- Reply from City Council & Davidsons over yellow lines at Wragley Way (if any);
- Reply from SDDC's monitoring officer over contacting a member; ;
- Notice board duty;
- Apologies received in advance from Cllrs Richardson and Baker;
- Outcome of the Repton Area Forum on 19th June.

1002/18 DATE OF NEXT MEETING

The next Ordinary Parish Council meeting will be held on Thursday 21st June 2018, commencing at 7:15pm and will be held in the Stenson Fields Primary School.

There being no other business, the Chairman thanked attendees and closed the meeting at 9:20pm.

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