



STARCROSS PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Meeting of Starcross Parish Council held on Zoom
on Monday 8 February 2021 at 7.40pm

Present:

Cllr Hopper (Chairman), Allen, Cadbury, Chase, Lovell, McNally, Rastall, Redmond, Williamson, Woodhouse-Pickton and Zawadzka

Also present:

Suzanna Hughes (Clerk), County/District Cllr Connett and two members of the public.

RESIDENTS' QUESTION TIME

(20 minutes)

Residents are invited to make representations to the Council or to ask questions.

There were no comments from members of the public.

080221.01 APOLOGIES

None

080221.02 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST AND REQUESTS FOR DISPENSATION

Members were reminded of their responsibility to continually update their Notice of Registerable Interests and invited to state whether they have any interest in the items to be discussed during this meeting in accordance with the Council's Code of Conduct.

Unforeseen requests for a Dispensation to be considered at this point only if there was no way a Councillor would have been aware of such before the meeting.

There were no declarations of interest or requests for dispensation.

080221.03 RATIFICATION OF MINUTES

Members present received the minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on Monday 11 January 2021.

AGREED UNANIMOUSLY by those members present that these minutes be signed by the Chairman as a true and correct record of that meeting.

080221.04 ACTION REPORT

The Chairman informed members that the only outstanding action was the development of the new website and he would report on this later in the meeting.

080221.05 CRIME REPORT

Reported crimes from 01/01/2021-31/01/2021 for Starcross/Kenton:

Starcross/Kenton (9 crimes)

Harassment without violence x 4

Theft x1

Common Assault x 2

Public Order x 1

Malicious communications x 1

Other matters

Please report any suspicious persons/activities and record vehicle registration details if used. Please contact the police on 999 if the incident is happening there and then, or by 101 (emailing is quicker) if it is historic.

PACT meetings will hopefully resume soon, subject to Government lockdown guidance.

This month we are looking to 'target' local poaching issues/rural wildlife crime in and around the area. If you see anything suspicious, please report as soon as possible. Any information would be greatly appreciated to assist with our plans moving forward.

Community Speed Watch is currently on hold due to the current lockdown. This will naturally resume when restrictions ease.

080221.06 DISTRICT/COUNTY COUNCILLOR'S REPORT

Cllr Connett reported as follows:

- The mud and material on the road has been reported to TDC and Highways
 - A couple of animal carcasses were recently dumped on Mamhead Road on the junction to Kenton. It has been reported to TDC but the police will be informed if it is considered to be linked to poaching.
 - Residents have reported to him that the grit bin in Longfield contains litter and bags of dog mess. TDC and Highways have been informed.
 - Patching work on The Strand is taking place at the weekend.
 - He continues to follow up issues with various drains in the parish which are flooding. He is pursuing this with DCC.
 - In the New Road car park, a fence has fallen adjacent to 1 Warboro Terrace. This has been reported to Teign Housing.
 - The cob shelter in The Strand car park is damaged and has been reported to TDC.
 - He continues to follow-up the planning enforcement issue at Starcross Garage. There was nothing further to report but he will continue to chase on a weekly basis.
 - The bins on The Strand are filling up from rubbish generated by Teign Bean. He advised that he has asked TDC to provide a bigger bin on The Strand. He has also asked TDC to approach the operator of Teign Bean to ask whether they would consider providing more bins for which they would be responsible.
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080221.07 FINANCE AND GOVERNANCE COMMITTEE

(Cllrs Hopper, Chase, Zawadzka and Woodhouse-Pickton)

- 7.1 **Financial Report** – members received and noted the financial report of 12 January – 8 February 2021 and were asked to approve the payments listed (copy attached).
Proposer: Cllr Hopper; Seconder: Cllr Cadbury

AGREED UNANIMOUSLY that the payments listed are made.

- 7.2 Proposal: To approve changes to the Allotment Tenancy Agreement submitted by the Allotments Association Committee as outlined in red on the document submitted and circulated
Proposer: Cllr Hopper; Seconder: Cllr Rastall

AGREED UNANIMOUSLY to adopt the changes to the Allotment Tenancy Agreement as proposed.

- 7.3 **Action List Report**
The Chairman informed members that progress is being made with the development of a new website and he would report further to members in due course.

- 7.4 **General Report/Question & Answers**
None.
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080221.08 PARKS, GARDENS AND FLOOD DEFENCE

(Cllrs Woodhouse-Pickton, Chase and Williamson)

Committee Chair Report (Cllrs Woodhouse-Pickton and Chase)

- 8.1 Proposal: That the contract and quote of £540 per year, fixed for 3 years, from Tom Greenslade to maintain the War Memorial and Millennium Gardens, should be renewed and accepted
Proposer: Cllr Woodhouse-Pickton; Seconder: Cllr Chase

AGREED UNANIMOUSLY to accept and renew the quote of £540 per year, fixed for 3 years, from Tom Greenslade to maintain the War Memorial and Millennium Gardens.

8.2 Action Report

There were no outstanding matters requiring action.

8.3 General Report/Question & Answers

Members received inspection reports and noted the observations contained therein.

080221.09

PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT

(Cllrs Cadbury, Lovell, Zawadzka & McNally)

Whole Council to Debate (accompanying documents)

9.1 New applications to be considered at this meeting:

9.1.1 21/00032/FUL – Brickhouse Woods, Mamhead
Sand riding arena

Proposal: To accept the Planning Committee's recommendation to await comment and decisions by TDC

AGREED UNANIMOUSLY to accept the Planning Committee's recommendation.

9.1.2 21/00074/FUL – 6 Longfield Estate, Starcross
Attached dwelling

Proposal: To accept the Planning Committee's recommendation to make no further comment

AGREED UNANIMOUSLY to accept the Planning Committee's recommendation.

9.2 Decisions:

9.2.1 20/00345/FUL – Car Park, Starcross
Standing wood clad shipping container for use as a coffee business

Members noted that TDC has granted conditional planning permission.

9.3 Action List Report

There were no outstanding actions requiring action.

9.4 General Report/Question & Answers

None.

080221.10

PAVILION & SPORTS FIELD

(Cllrs Rastall, Hopper, Allen and Redmond)

Committee Chair Report (Cllrs Rastall & Hopper)

10.1 Proposal: To accept a new trader on the car park subject to them signing the Terms and Conditions agreement on the policy document
Proposer: Cllr Rastall; Seconder: Cllr Zawadzka

AGREED BY A MAJORITY of members to accept a new trader on the car park as proposed (10 members in favour; 1 abstention)

ACTION: Cllr Rastall to write to the trader

10.2 Action List Report

There were no outstanding resolutions requiring action.

10.3 General Report/Questions & Answers

None.

080221.11 WORKING PARTY REPORTS

None

080221.12 NON-COMMITTEE ITEMS

None

080221.13 COUNCILLORS' PROJECTS

13.1 To adopt the following six projects for competitive sourcing with a view to completing during 2021/2022

- Sportsfield path
- Tree planning on sportsfield
- Pavilion patio extension
- Solar panels on Pavilion
- Benches in sportsfield
- Play park improvements

ACTION: Allocate to Committees

FUNDING: Reserves and external funding

Proposer: Cllr Hopper; Seconder: Cllr Cadbury

AGREED UNANIMOUSLY to adopt the six projects listed in the proposal for competitive sourcing with a view to completing during 2021/22.

13.2 Proposal: After sending SPC detailed plans and with one firm quote for a phased approach to the playing field's exciting improvements, to approve this phased approach and £10000 for Phase 1 so two further quotes can be sought, match funding can be begin and, subsequently, works can begin

Proposer: Cllr Williamson; Seconder: Cllr Chase

AGREED BY A MAJORITY of members to approve a phased approach to improvements to the playing fields and to allocate £10,000 for phase 1, as proposed. (9 members in favour; 1 against; 1 abstention)

080221.14 CORRESPONDENCE

Members received and noted an email from a resident in response to the article published in the Starcross Newsletter about dog fouling on the sports field. After discussion, Cllr Connett offered to request that TDC officers attend a Parish Council meeting to discuss the problems and clarify the rules. In the meantime, it was agreed to print and erect some A3 posters to increase awareness of the problem.

080221.15 DATE OF NEXT MEETING

The next meeting of the Parish Council is to be held on Monday 8 March 2021 commencing at 7.40pm.

SIGNED:
Chairman of the Parish Council

DATE: 8 March 2021

Note: Where a document or paper is referred to on the Agenda, this document will be available on request from the Clerk by emailing starcrosspcclerk@gmail.com

Starcross Parish Council Finance Report – 8 February 2021

Summary of Bank Balances at 8 February 2021	
Current (C)	£15,724.48
Pavilion Trading (P)	£9,284.60
Allocated Reserves (A)	£51,653.17
Total	£76,662.25

Income: 12 January – 8 February 2021		
HMRC VAT repayment (Pavilion)	£455.09	P
Interest – allocated reserves account (Dec & Jan)	£0.85	A

Payments for approval			
Clerk	Salary & disbursements	£498.11	C
HMRC	HMRC (PAYE)	£2.80	C
M&D Hire	Sportsfield grasscutting (Jan, Feb, Mar)	£1637.46	C
MAT Electrics	Maintenance service visit (air ambulance lighting mast)	£107.94	C
Vision ICT	Web hosting and support (April '21-March '22)	£240	C
Tamar Security	Annual Maintenance of Fire alarm system	£262.80	P
R Grave	Pavilion pipe lagging	£40	P
S Rastall	Hand gel and sprays for Pavilion	£9.40	P
T Greenslade	Pavilion cleaning	£12	P

Direct Debits: 12 January – 8 February 2021			
Natwest (15/01/21)	Bankline fees	£24	C
Opus (21/01/21)	Pavilion electricity	£47.67	P
Opus (26/01/21)	Pavilion gas	£52.75	P
Biffa (25/01/21)	Waste bin at Pavilion (rental & collection)	£30.87	P