



**Starcross  
Parish Council**

# STARCROSS PARISH COUNCIL

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Councillors are summoned to a Meeting of Starcross Parish Council to be held in Starcross Pavilion on **Monday 10 January 2022 at 7.40pm.**

District/County Councillor Connett & Community Police Officers are also invited.

Members of the press and public are welcome.

Signed: *S Hughes* (Clerk)

Dated: 3 January 2022

## RESIDENTS' QUESTION TIME

(20 minutes)

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

# AGENDA

### 100122.01 APOLOGIES

To receive apologies for absence

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### 100122.02 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST AND REQUESTS FOR DISPENSATION

Members are 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 member would have been aware of such before the meeting.

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### 100122.03 RATIFICATION OF MINUTES

To approve, sign and adopt the minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on 8 November 2021

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### 100122.04 ACTION REPORT

To review outstanding resolutions requiring action (copy circulated to members)

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### 100122.05 CRIME REPORT

To receive either a written or verbal report by Devon and Cornwall Police representative

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### 100122.06 DISTRICT/COUNTY COUNCILLOR'S REPORT

To receive a report from Cllr Connett

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### 100122.07 FINANCE AND GOVERNANCE

(Cllrs Hopper, Chase and Zawadzka)

- 7.1 Financial Report from Responsible Financial Officer  
To receive a financial report and approve list of payments

**Committee Chair Report:**

- 7.2 Proposal: To accept the draft precept document for 2022/23 and submit to TDC (copy circulated)  
*Proposer: Cllr Hopper; Seconder: tbc*

ACTION: Clerk to submit to TDC

- 7.3 Action List Report  
To review outstanding resolutions requiring action

- 7.4 General Report/Question & Answers
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**100122.08 PARKS, GARDENS AND FLOOD DEFENCE  
(Cllrs Chase, Williamson and Allen)**

**Committee Chair Report:**

- 8.1 Action List Report  
To review outstanding resolutions requiring action
- 8.2 General Report/Question & Answers  
To report any other matters

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**100122.09 PLANNING & HIGHWAYS  
(Cllrs Cadbury, Lovell, Zawadzka & McNally)**

**Whole Council to Debate (accompanying documents)**

**9.1 New applications**

- 9.1.1 21/02017/HOU – 28 Haywards Drive, Starcross  
Replace timber fence with a rendered block wall (1.8m high)

Proposal: To accept the Planning Committee's recommendation that no objections are raised

- 9.1.2 21/02670/NPA – Westlake Farm, Mowlish Lane, Kenton  
Application for Prior Approval under Part 3 Class Q(a) and (b) and paragraph W of the GPDO  
change of use of an agricultural building to five dwellings

Proposal: To accept the Planning Committee's recommendation that no comment is made (backed with a statement for the reasons why)

**9.2 Decisions:**

- 9.2.1 21/02410/FUL – Mowlish Farm, Kenton  
Provision of two polytunnels for mushroom production

To note that TDC has granted conditional planning permission

- 9.2.2 21/02275/ADV – Oakmeadow Golf Course, New Road, Starcross  
To note that TDC has refused to grant conditional planning permission to retain the advertising sign

- 9.2.3 E2/48/08 – Brickyard Lane – Oak Tree Preservation Order  
To note that TDC has confirmed the Order without modifications

**9.3 Teignbridge Local Plan Review (Part 3) 2020-2040: Renewable Energy. Gypsy and Traveller and Small Residential Site Options**

Comments invited (consultation period closes at 12 noon on 24 January 2022)

- 9.4 Action List Report  
To review outstanding resolutions requiring action
- 9.5 General Report/Question & Answers

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**100122.10 PAVILION & SPORTS FIELD  
(Cllrs Rastall, Hopper, Pegg and Redmond)**

**Committee Chair Report:**

- 10.1 Proposal: To ask Starcross Action For Trees (SAFT) if they would be prepared to draw up a plan to improve the SW corner of the sports field and plant saplings and wild flowers  
*Proposer: Cllr Rastall; Seconder: Cllr Chase*

- 10.2 Proposal: To allow an extension to the free use of the Pavilion hall on a Thursday to Westbank until end March 2022  
*Proposer: Cllr Rastall; Seconder: tbc*

- 10.3 Action List Report  
To review outstanding resolutions requiring action

- 10.4 General Report/Questions & Answers  
To report any other matters

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**100122.11 WORKING PARTY REPORTS**

Reports from Chairs of Active Working Parties:

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**100122.12 NON-COMMITTEE ITEMS**

12.1 Proposal: To accept the response paper to TDC regarding proposals for the two Starcross car parks (paper attached)

*Proposer: Cllr Hopper; Seconder: Cllr Chase*

ACTION: Submit letter to TDC

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**100122.13 COUNCILLORS' PROJECTS**

None

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**100122.14 CORRESPONDENCE**

To receive correspondence not otherwise already emailed for information or dealt with above

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**100122.15 DATE OF NEXT MEETING**

To confirm the date of the next meeting as Monday 7 February 2022

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*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](mailto:starcrosspcclerk@gmail.com)*

## **DRAFT RESPONSE TO TEIGNBRIDGE DC RE STARCROSS CAR PARKS**

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We thank you for your letter of 28<sup>th</sup> October advising us of proposed changes to charging policies at the two Car Parks in Starcross. This letter was the first indication that you intended to impose a new charging structure at the New Road Car Park and we were given a mere 14 days to respond and yet this proposal has apparently been under discussion since the Summer. Our immediate response was to arrange a meeting with Tonya Short (TS). and we invited her to attend our routine Parish Council meeting on November 13<sup>th</sup>. However, because of a shortage of information regarding TDC proposals we cancelled this arrangement and instead arranged a closed meeting with Councillors and TS. during the following week. On the 13<sup>th</sup> Parish Council meeting Councillors questioned TDC Councillor Alan Connett who explained TDC policy but was unable to advise on proposed rates or system questions. At the meeting with TS. on the 20<sup>th</sup> November a proposed scale of charges was laid out. However, they were withdrawn after the meeting so that we were unable to publish them. It was agreed that TS. would attend our December meeting on the 8<sup>th</sup> December. This had to be cancelled due to Covid and was subsequently rearranged as a Zoom meeting on the following Monday TS stated that much work had been done on the project and that it was unlikely that any alternative course of action would be accepted. TS also stated that TDC had no obligation to consult with Parish Councils and yet we must respond by 31<sup>st</sup> of December. We understand that a decision will be made on 22<sup>nd</sup> February at a TDC meeting at which we can attend and object. This is a very mixed message – are we being consulted or not? If not, much valuable time has been spent by both Councils.

### **NEW ROAD**

Centrally situated and bordered by Coronation Terrace, Courtenay Terrace, New Road and Warborough Terrace mostly terraced housing with few private parking areas the 40 spaces are vital in reducing on-street parking in the narrow streets of the village. New Road is both a long term park for locals and a short term park for visitors from outlying villages using the surgery, convenience store, church, school, train station etc. It has suffered from a lack of supervision and enforcement by TDC over the years which has enabled unauthorised use and caused dissatisfaction. The PC feel that a change to a charging scale will impose undue hardship on working families in the immediate area with additional costs of between £300 and £500 per annum depending on working hours. Starcross Parish Council object most strongly to the proposal to charge for parking. Starcross is a confined village with narrow roads, high volumes of summer traffic and a preponderance of small terraced housing with no private parking facilities which already makes overnight on-street parking difficult to find. Add to this the increase in those working from home any charges will put additional financial pressure on already stretched incomes.

### **THE STRAND**

Viewed by most as having a different function than at New Road. Much used now by day visitors especially since the opening of the cycle route and the installation of the coffee pod. It was previously used by residents of The Strand and those living in the north end of the village and had a voluntary payment system. Since the advent of a charging system locals have used more street parking or converted their gardens to driveways. The use of the car park by the coffee pod, and the extremely poor marking plan, have contributed to less space for parking – its prime purpose.

**IN THE EVENT OF TDC PROGRESSING THEIR PLAN** we would like to propose the following. Most importantly we would like to pick up on the suggestion in your 28<sup>th</sup> October letter that the Parish Council offer a supporting contribution. This would be an amount of £ 1090.00 – the figure stated of costs at New Road. This contribution would be for one year only to 31<sup>st</sup> March 2023. It would be tied to TDC delaying any further action until that date. We emphasise that the Parish Council has no interest in purchasing or leasing the New Road car park as suggested by District Councillor Alan Connett. We would restart discussions with you in July 2022 preferably with a full consultation process aimed at Starcross Residents and the Parish Council. We would not support a permit system at New Road. . We would support a scale of charges similar to that quoted by TS and installation of a PAYG system. We would request that this scale of charges also be used at The Strand to encourage local parking. The existing permit system at The Strand should be retained. We would request removal of the coffee pod to a more suitable site not interfering with parking capacity. We would request that TDC look into expansion of the car park onto the area in front of the thatched shelter. We feel these changes will encourage greater use of The Strand for local parking.

**APPENDIX**

Charging rates at New Road Car Park as suggested by Tonya Short

30 mins	-	£0.40
60 mins	-	£0.60
1-2 Hrs	-	£0.80
2-3 hrs	-	£1.00
3-4 hrs	-	£1.30
All Day	-	£1.50
Sunday	-	£1.00

We thank you for your anticipated co-operation.

JIM HOPPER

**Chair - STARCROSS PARISH COUNCIL**

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