

Stoneleigh & Ashow Joint Parish Council

Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting held at on Thursday 11th October 2018
at Ashow Village Club at 7 pm

PRESENT:

Chairman Cllr R Hancox
 Deputy Chairman Cllr J Astle
 Cllr D Jack (joined the meeting at 19.09)
 Cllr M Foster
 Cllr S Williams
 District Councillor T Wright

There were 4 members of the public present.

62. Apologies

Apologies were received and accepted from Cllr A Bianco and Cllrs P & W Redford.

63. Declarations of Interest

No declarations were received. Cllr Foster stated that he would not comment on the planning application for 26 Ashow Road.

64. Public session

Standing orders were suspended at 19.06

A question was asked regarding the consultation event held in the Village Hall about options for Birmingham Road. How was information circulated to those people who weren't able to attend. It was felt that that people living on Birmingham Road would receive a pecuniary advantage if the road were to close and would therefore be more likely to vote for closure.

Cllr Hancox confirmed that the issue of circulating information has been raised with Warwickshire County Council (WCC). All residents of the joint parishes have received a letter and one form per household (not per resident). WCC have said that they would be happy to receive votes from different people within the household, but this has not been made clear and therefore could affect overall voting percentages.

The consultation allows residents to vote for closure at either end of Birmingham Road, to do nothing at all, or to do something different. The Parish Council (PC) have suggested weighting votes, people in Ashow should have less weight than those in Stoneleigh as they won't be affected in the same way.

A further question was raised about the actual users of Birmingham Road and whether a traffic survey has been carried out. Cllr Hancox stated that the PC requested a traffic count about 2 years ago, which was carried out and the results showed that the traffic level was same as 10 years ago. It was pointed out by the PC that this is because roads are at capacity and therefore there can't be any more traffic. Similarly, no actions were raised about speed through the village.

The Atkins Report states additional measures to be taken as well as closing one end of the Birmingham road, but this is not reflected in the WCC consultation options.

Cllr Hancox stated that all of these issues have been raised with WCC and the response has been to wait and see the outcome of the consultation. At the moment there is no clarity as to what the criteria

for success of one option over another will be. The PC is prepared to challenge the outcome if necessary.

A comment was made regarding dangerous road junctions in the Parish and how it may help to have stop signs or black chevrons to help slow people approaching the junctions. Cllr Hancox confirmed that this has been raised before, but currently the investment that WCC is willing to make is limited because of the HS2 works which may make changes and therefore remove any signage put up.

A question was raised about an area of greenfield site covered in stones next to land belonging to Mr Miller, and whether it is likely to be turned back to greenfield. The Environmental Agency agreed to return this to a field when they had completed work in the area, however this hasn't been done and there is concern that it may be re-classified as a brown field site and therefore potentially enable building consent. Cllr Wright confirmed that this piece of land is outside the village envelope.

A comment was made regarding a retrospective planning application for railings made by Mr Miller, which was submitted the previous day. The PC confirmed that details of this had not yet been received. Cllr Wright stated that he will look into this application and believes that it will have been submitted because of a challenge from housing enforcement officers. If details do not appear on the planning portal, Cllr Wright will request details from the planning officer.

Standing orders were re-instated at 19.20

65. Finance

Finance Report 1st October 2018

Payments / Invoices

Income / Expenditure

Balance brought forward	£33,146.91
Receipts	£8,258.50
	<u>£41,405.41</u>

Payments to 31st August

301404	H Watts reimbursement McAfee	£59.99
301405	H Watts salary and expenses June - August	£1,221.73
301406	S Windridge Salary and expenses July	£455.01
301407	D Jack reimbursement for leaving gift	£150.00
301408	R Hancox reimbursement for leaving meal	£86.00
301409	D Malley Admin and HMRC payment	£527.45

£2,500.18

Balance	<u>£38,905.23</u>
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At Co-operative Bank plc, Birmingham

A/C 6101168500 (Current)	£13,419.68
A/C 6101168550 (Instant Access)	£5,063.38
A/C 6101168556 (14 Day Deposit)	£20,422.17

£38,905.23**£38,905.23****Cheques to be authorised**

301410	H Watts reimbursement printer cartridge	£25.74
301411	H Watts salary and expenses September	£543.80
301412	Data protection renewal fee	£40.00
301413	Playground annual inspection	£96.60

66. Planning**New Planning Applications****Application No: W/18/1635**

Description: Demolition of existing farmhouse and agricultural buildings and outline planning permission for residential development of up to 640 dwellings (Use Class C3) and community hall (Use Class D1) including means of access into site (not internal roads), parking and associated works, with all other matters (relating to appearance, landscaping, scale and layout) reserved.

Address: Land east of Kenilworth, Glasshouse Lane/ Crewe Lane, Kenilworth

Applicant: Catesby Estates Plc

Closing date: 11th October 2018

Planning Officer: Dan Charles

Cllr Wright has put in an objection to this application, with several areas of concern including spillage of the site, no agreed plans, and significant issues about Kenilworth School. Concerns were also raised by Councillors regarding the amount of traffic entering and exiting the site using Crewe Lane. Cllr Wright agreed to keep the PC informed about the progress of this application.

Comments: Object strongly. Need more information. Why is all traffic using Crewe Lane onto B4115?

Application No: W/18/1717

Description: Application for the approval of reserved matters (details of access, appearance, landscaping, layout and scale) pursuant to condition 1 of planning permission ref: W/16/0239 for the construction of the government funded UK Battery Industrialisation

Centre (UKBIC) facility, with associated access, landscaping and parking arrangements at Whitley South (within Development Zone 4 on the parameters plan).

Address: Land to the north and south of the A45 (between Festival and Tollbar junctions) and land at the A45/Festival Roundabout, the A46/Tollbar Roundabout and at the junctions of the A444 with the A4114/Whitley Roundabout

Applicant: Coventry and Warwickshire Development Partnership and UKBIC

Closing date: 12th October 2018

Planning Officer: Lucy Hammond

Cllr Wright has held conversations with Highways England regarding this application and is monitoring the progress.

No comment

Application No: W/18/1367

Description: Application to remove condition 9 (agricultural occupancy condition) of planning permission W/90/0006

Address: Dial House Farm, Ashow Road, Ashow, Kenilworth, CV8 2LD

Applicant: Mr Cummins

Closing date: 18th October 2018

Planning Officer: John Wilbraham

Cllr Williams asked whether the agricultural tie is more of a covenant than planning permission? Cllr Wright confirmed that it is a bit of both. This should be an automatic rejection if the farm was sold as an agricultural environment. If it proceeds and permission is then sought for houses to be developed on the site, any planning permission must be subject to all planning requirements and criteria.

Comment: Object, on grounds of agricultural tie remaining in place

Application No: W/18/1582

Description: Variation of condition no. 1 (approved plans) of planning permission W/17/1552 (Application for approval of reserved matters (details of appearance, landscaping, layout and scale) pursuant to condition 1 of planning permission ref: W/14/1340 for the erection of 93 dwellings) to allow changes to the layout involving switching Plots 18-21 with Plots 40-45, to minimise any impacts on the TPO tree on the northern boundary of the site.

Address: Land on The North Side Of, Common Lane (Crackley Triangle), Kenilworth

Applicant: Bloor Homes

Closing date: 19th October 2018

Planning Officer: Lucy Hammond

No comment

Application No: W/18/1733

Description: Proposed erection of a single storey 2 bedroom bungalow on an existing plot with decking area to the east elevation, widening the existing drive by 3 kerb stones permeable gravel circulation and parking areas level to building.

Address: Sowe View, Coventry Road, Stoneleigh, Coventry, CV8 3BZ

Applicant: Mr M Innocent

Closing date: 19th October 2018

Planning Officer: John Wilbraham

Comment: Support**Application No:** W/18/1490**Description:** Demolition of existing large double garage and erection of new double garage**Address:** 26 Ashow Road, Ashow, Kenilworth, CV8 2LE**Applicant:** Mr O'Shea**Closing date:** 2nd November 2018**Planning Officer:** Liz Galloway

Cllr Foster stated that he would not join discussion about this development as it is one of his neighbours.

Cllr Williams stated that the planned building is very large and the height is increased from the current garage. The street view will change and the height will be quite imposing. This will sides on to the next door property, but Cllr Williams doesn't know what the neighbours think about the development. On the plans, the proposed garage looks like a house from the back garden.

Comment: Request extension – if not agreed, then object.Progress of planning applications**Application No:** W/18/1483**Description:** Proposed caravan and camping site (retrospective). Resubmission of withdrawn application.**Address:** The Meadows, Dalehouse Lane, Kenilworth CV8 2JZ**Applicant:** Mr B Jones**Closing date:** 4th September 2018**Planning Officer:** John Wilbraham**The application has been withdrawn**Progress of planning applications (Not outcome yet)**Application No:** W/18/1439**Description:** Change of use from B2 to D2. Recladding of existing building and addition of mezzanine floor. Creation of formalised car park.**Address:** 17722-750 Stoneleigh Park, Kenilworth**Applicant:** Mr & Mrs Street**Closing date:** 21st September 2018**Planning Officer:** John Wilbraham**Application No:** W/18/1536**Description:** Erection of a front boundary wall with railings and entrance gates (retrospective).**Address:** Miller House, Coventry Road, Stoneleigh CV8 3BZ**Applicant:** RCA Interiors**Closing date:** 10th September 2018

Planning Officer: Rebecca Compton

Application No: W/18/1158

Description: Prior approval under Part 3, Class Q(a) and (b) of the GDPO for change of use from agricultural to a single dwelling with associated operational development

Address: Witherwell Barn, Grove Farm Road, Ashow, Kenilworth, CV8 2LE

Applicant: Mr David Holt

Closing date: 28th September 2018

Planning Officer: John Wilbraham

Application No: W/18/1716

Description: Erection of a single storey side extension

Address: Conifers, 2 Long Row, Ashow Road, Ashow, Kenilworth, CV8 2LE

Applicant: Mr Peter Grey

Closing date: 3rd October 2018

Planning Officer: Liz Galloway

Application No: W/18/0643

Description: Site clearance and mixed-use development of land at Kings Hill for the provision of up to 2,500 dwellings (Use Class C3), 4,000 sq.m. of mixed use floorspace (Use Classes A1, A3, A4, C2, D1 and D2) in a district centre, a primary school, a secondary school, formal and informal open space and enabling infrastructure including new roads within the site and improvements to the existing road junction at Stoneleigh Road.

Address: Land at Kings Hill Lane, Stoneleigh

Applicant: Lioncourt Strategic Land Limited, Lioncourt Homes (Development No.17) Limited

Closing date: 24th May

Planning Officer: Lucy Hammond

Application No: W/18/0522

Description: Outline application including details of access for the comprehensive redevelopment of land South of Coventry Airport, comprising demolition of existing structures and the erection of new buildings to accommodate general industrial uses (Use Class B2) and storage and distribution (Use Class B8), ground modelling works including the construction of landscaped bunds, construction of new roads, footpaths and cycle routes, associated parking, servicing, infrastructure and landscaping and the creation of open space in a Community Park. Provision of new sports ground including the creation of new sports pitches and a club house.

Address: Gateway South, Land to the South and West of Coventry Airport and Middlesmarch Industrial Estate, Coventry

Case Officer: Rob Young

Cllr Williams stated that she had observed a property in Ashow which has been extended outside of property line. Planning enforcement has been informed and confirmed that it would not be allowed, however there is no information on planning portal as yet. Cllr Williams will provide information to Cllr Wright for follow up.

67. Matters Arising

a) Neighbourhood Plan

Cllr Hancox apologised for not arranging meeting as yet. Councillors agreed to meet informally the following week to discuss the best way forward on the village plan.

b) HS2 update

HS2 Ltd will be coming to the November meeting. Cllr Jack stated that the construction traffic road shown on map in village hall event would be an obvious bypass road for the village. She was informed that this road will be for construction traffic only. Cllr Hancox stated that the Parish Council are trying to convince HS2 to leave this road in place after works are completed.

c) Kings Hill Housing update

Nothing new

d) Catesby Homes Crewe Lane Housing update

Discussed during planning applications

e) Traffic on the B4115 - issues affecting pedestrians and cyclists

Update from Adrian Hart, WDC: *It appears that a number of feasibility issues in relation to the cycle route are still being explored. We are also continuing to work on assembling a funding package for the scheme.*

f) Gateway and Whitley South development

Cllr P Redford has been pushing to get information out of Environment Agency regarding this development and is currently waiting for feedback.

g) A46 – A45 link road

Update from Nicola van der Hoven, WDC: *At the meeting in September I reported that the County Council is progressing with the detailed design and procurement of the A46 Stoneleigh Junction upgrade having achieved planning permission in July 2018.*

Officers are currently preparing the detailed design for Technical Approval by Highways England, as the owners of the slip roads and the new bridge. The formal application for funding from the Department for Transport is also being prepared and is expected to be submitted for approval later this year. We are expecting to start the main works on site in the spring 2019 but this is subject to full funding and technical approval. In preparation for these main works we will continue to undertake early works to prepare habitats for the protected species and to clear the site.

68. To receive reports from:

a) Police Report: none

- Clerk to contact Warwickshire Rural East Community Network to provide a monthly report for the PC meeting
- b) County Councillor – Cubbington

Whilst attending today's consultation presentation on the Birmingham road options, two residents raised the issue of parking on the footpath in Stonehouse Close at the junction with the Birmingham road.

They stated that the Parish Council's letter in the parish newsletter has had no effect.

If as they state that the footpath is completely blocked, then I think two actions need to be taken.

a) A face to face meeting between a Parish Councillor and the offending resident, explaining that it is an offence to block a footpath.

b) Take a photograph of the offending vehicle, registration number, date time etc and forward to the Police.

In addition, I will pursue the issue with the WCC to see whether any action on our part can be taken.

- c) District Councillor – Stoneleigh & Cubbington - Cllr Mrs P Redford and Cllr Wright

Cllr Wright confirmed that he had copied in the PC to his letter to the Police & Crime Commissioner regarding policing models.

The separation of West Mercia police from Warwickshire police has come as a shock to everyone. If police from West Mercia will not now attend in the Parish, there will have to be an adjustment in manpower, and that can't be done in the way that the current PCO works. Discussion took place about where police coverage would come from. A recent occurrence in Stoneleigh came from Rugby, and incidents on A46 were covered by Warwickshire Police.

Cllr Wright has written to Jeremy Wright regarding the payback scheme. This has been taken to the minister responsible and Cllr Wright is waiting to hear back.

Cllrs Wright and Redford have heard some news of concern about some radical individuals from Syria are going to be settled in this area. They are currently trying to find out more about this and are monitoring the situation.

The PC congratulated Cllr Wright on the one year anniversary of his election.

69. Correspondence

None

70. Questions to Chairman

Standing orders suspended 20.15 to enable question from the public.

A question was asked about the letter to be written to the Chief Constable regarding traffic and parking in Stoneleigh. Cllr Hancox confirmed that he will be writing to the Police & Crime Commission because Warwickshire Police have refused to assist, stating that this is not a police matter. The letter to the P&CC will express disappointment in the level of policing provided. An recent example was given of a car which parked in the village hall car park and

spilt an amount of diesel. The car was subsequently fixed and driven away, leaving damage to the car park. Despite having photos, details of the car and registration number, the police refused to get involved in any way.

A question was raised regarding road closures in Ashow and whether residents would be able to get access. It was confirmed that this is to enable carriage way patching and emergency access should be available at all times, although residents may have to wait for workers to move equipment.

71. Meetings

The next Ordinary Council meeting will be held on 22nd November 2018 at Stoneleigh Village Hall.

72. Closure

The meeting was closed at 20:20 pm.