

Stoneleigh & Ashow Joint Parish Council

Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting held on Monday 9th December 2019
At Ashow Village Club at 7.00 pm

PRESENT:

Chairman Cllr R Hancox
 Cllr J Astle
 Cllr S Williams
 Cllr A Bianco
 Cllr L Rolli (arrived 19.20)
 Cllr T Wright
 Cllr P Redford
 Cllr W Redford

There were 4 members of the public present.

105. Apologies

Apologies were received and accepted from Cllr D Jack.

106. Declarations of Interest

No declarations of interest were made.

107. Minutes of the last meeting

Minutes of the meeting of 14th November 2019 were accepted and approved.

108. Presentation by Charles Barlow of Warwickshire County Council (WCC) regarding the Joint Strategic Needs Assessment (JSNA).

The JSNA is an assessment of the health and wellbeing needs of the population of Warwickshire and is jointly carried out with different parts of the council, health, voluntary sector, and central government. It is carried out on a geographical basis, broken down into 22 local areas, and will bring together a range of data sources. The JSNA will influence the spend on health and social care services.

WCC is keen to get local communities and people involved, and is carrying out a range of community engagement until February 2020. There is an online survey for residents on the WCC website (also available in paper format).

The final data will be made available via the WCC website, along with an action plan and identified priorities. The themes currently emerging include transport, access to services, mental health, and youth & young people. The data is also useful for local groups when applying for national funding opportunities.

Mr Barlow confirmed that a copy of his presentation will be provided and this will be placed on the Parish Council (PC) website.

Cllr Hancox thanked Mr Barlow for his presentation.

Standing orders suspended: 19:20**109. Public session**

Mr Edwards, representing Ashow Village, expressed thanks to the PC for the donation towards the defibrillator. This has been installed and training of 10 people will take place shortly.

Mr Innocent asked about the progress of the neighbourhood plan. It was confirmed that a meeting took place on December 2nd and the next meeting will be held on 3rd February. Mr Innocent's offer of help in developing the plan was noted.

Mr Innocent updated the PC with regards to the development at Sowe View. There is currently confusion about the contamination of land due to conflicting information. Once more is known, he will give a further update. He further confirmed that during development, all contractors will be on strict instructions not to access the property through the village. There will be traffic control when the hedge is being cut – not sure when this will be.

Standing orders reinstated at 19.30

110. Finance**Finance Report 1st December 2019**

Payments / Invoices

Income / Expenditure

Balance brought forward	£43,648.80
11 th November – WRE remittance	£2,400.00
	£46,048.80
 Payments to 30th November	
301448 H Watts salary and expenses October	£595.65
301449 Playsafety - Playground inspection	£99.00
301450 H Watts – reimbursement for grit bin	£158.06
	£852.71
 Balance	<u>£45,196.09</u>
	 <u>£43,648.80</u>
 At Co-operative Bank plc, Birmingham	
38A/C 6101168500 (Current)	£19,661.49
A/C 6101168550 (Instant Access)	£5,073.12

A/C 6101168556 (14 Day Deposit) £20,461.48

£45,196.09

Cheques to be authorised

301451	H Watts salary and expenses November	£582.75
301452	SLCC annual membership renewal	£126.00
301453	DM Payroll admin and tax	£440.05
301454	H Watts reimbursement Xmas food	£39.99

- a) The accounts were unanimously agreed.
- b) The authorisation of cheques was agreed.
- c) The proposed budget and precept for 2020/21 was agreed. The precept will remain at the same rate as 2019/20 (£16,980) – see appendix 1.
- d) Earmarked funds were agreed – see appendix 2.
- e) Grant funding for audio visual equipment in Stoneleigh Village Hall. It was noted that funding has been received from Warwick Rural East Forum. This project will be progressed in the New Year.

111. Planning

New Planning Applications

Application No: W/19/1833

Description: Two storey purpose built domestic dwelling

Address: Heathfield, Leicester Lane, Stoneleigh, Leamington Spa, CV32 6QZ

Applicant: Mr D White

Closing date: 11th December 2019

Planning Officer: Andrew Tew

Building of a new residence adjacent to the existing property. Cllr Wright stated that he generally supported the application, but there are significant policy issues relating to local plan and NPPF.

The council takes a neutral position to this application

Application No: W/19/1873 and 1874LB

Description: Proposed rear extension and re-modelling the west side of the house, with a new open porch.

Address: 10 Vicarage Road, Stoneleigh, Coventry, CV8 3DH

Applicant: Mr and Ms Storer and Lowe

Closing date: 13th December 2019

Planning Officer: Jonathan Gentry

This application is likely to have an issue with the policy of exceeding 30% increase in property size.

The Parish Council supports this application

Application No: W/19/1895

Description: Replacement of an existing timber stable with an oak framed garage port

Address: Oakland House, Ashow Road, Ashow, Kenilworth, CV8 2LE

Applicant: Mr & Mrs Cox

Closing date: 30th December 2019

Planning Officer: Jonathan Gentry

Planning application put in due to change of use from stable to garage.

Cllr Redford will find out more about this before the Parish Council makes a decision.

Progress of planning applications

Application No: W/19/1766

Description: Permission for up to 1375 tents/caravan pitches within the showground at any one time (not for the general public, not to exceed 7 consecutive days for a maximum of 10 events per year). License to be for 5 years, commencing on 01/10/19 and to provide an additional 20 events, with up to 60 units per annum.

Address: National Agricultural Centre Showground, Stoneleigh Park, Kenilworth, CV8 2LZ

Applicant: Mrs Pauline Beverley

Closing date: 10th December 2019

Planning Officer: Helen Obremski

Application has been withdrawn

An email has been received from Rob Patterson of Stoneleigh Events regarding the application, which will be re-submitted in the new year.

Cllr Bianco proposed a meeting be arranged between Councillors and Mr Patterson, which was seconded by Cllr Astle, in order to share information about the plans for Stoneleigh Park. This is likely to take place after the Parish Council meeting in January.

Application No: W/19/1205

Description: Change of use from residential dwelling (C3) to residential training centre (C2) together with minor internal alterations

Address: Dalehouse Farm, Dalehouse Lane, Kenilworth, CV8 2JZ

Applicant: Betel of Britain

Closing date: 1st October 2019

Planning Officer: Rebecca Compton

The application has been granted

Application No: W/19/1206 LB

Description: Application for internal alterations to facilitate a change of use from residential dwelling (C3) to residential training centre (C2).

Address: Dalehouse Farm, Dalehouse Lane, Kenilworth, CV8 2JZ

Applicant: Betel of Britain

Closing date: 1st October 2019

Planning Officer: Rebecca Compton

The application has been granted

Application No: W/19/0600

Description: Reserved Matters application pursuant to condition 1 of planning permission W/18/2099 for details of layout of the Wigley Access within Development Zone 3 of 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

Closing Date: 16th May 2019

Planning Officer: Lucy Hammond

The application has been withdrawn

Application No: W/18/0643 – notification of amended plans

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. Outline application with all matters reserved except for access.

Address: Land at Kings Hill Lane, Stoneleigh

Applicant: Lioncourt Strategic Land Limited, Lioncourt Homes

Closing date: 12th July 2019

Planning Officer: Lucy Hammond

Amendments Proposed: Additional information received in response to statutory consultation responses and technical objections received on 22/05/2019.

The application was granted in accordance with the recommendation in the report and addendum. An additional clause was added to condition 11 dealing with the consideration and evaluation of a site wide District heating scheme.

Progress of planning applications (Not outcome yet)

Application No: W/19/1756

Description: Variation of Condition 2 (approved plans) of planning permission W/19/2145 to allow for the enlargement of the link to provide a shower room/WC.

Address: Annexe at, Abbey Farm, Ashow Road, Ashow

Applicant: Mrs C Burdett

Closing date: 21st November 2019

Planning Officer: Dan Charles

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: 12th April 2019

Planning Officer: Dan Charles

NOTIFICATION OF AMENDED PLANS:

- Amendments Proposed: Reduction in numbers from 640 dwellings to 620 dwellings.
- Addition of proposed primary school.
- Omission of community hall

Application No: W/18/2237

Description: Proposed landscaping in association with the adjacent UKBIC Facility, including the construction of a gabion wall.

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

Closing date: 17th January 2019

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 Middlemarch Industrial Estate, Coventry

Case Officer: Rob Young

112. Neighbourhood Plan

A meeting was held on Monday, December 2nd where a plan was outlined. The next meeting will be on 3rd February in Stoneleigh Village Hall at 6.30.

113. HS2 Update

Cllr Bianco gave an update about a range of issues surrounding HS2:

- National review decision due mid-January, and Stoneleigh will be surrounded by major HS2 works if it does proceed.
- The situation with regards to the development of the A46 junction and roundabout. Cllr W Redford was requested to find out more information about what will be happening
- The poor level of communication from HS2 regarding notifications of road closures
- The building of the entrance to the HS2 compound on B4115 and issues with the traffic lights
- The potential height of the new road off the B4115 which is likely to cause noise and intrusion to residents, with a risk of trees and hedges being cut down.
- Flood plains from the River Sowe means that the railway will have to be built at least a metre higher
- Significant amount of major developments surrounding the villages from December until 2023/24 which will require working with district and county council officers to ensure residents are able to live with the disruption

Cllr W Redford agreed that Stoneleigh will be in the middle of lots of major works and suggested that the Parish Council ask relevant officers such as WCC, Highways, HS2 etc to come down and give a progress report on a regular basis.

- It was agreed that colleagues from Highways, HS2, LM would be invited to a PC meeting early in 2020

Cllr P Redford and Cllr Wright will be meeting with Debbie Prince, HS2 Project Officer, Warwick District Council (WDC) regarding HS2 developments and will be inviting HS2 to the meeting. This will be to discuss what is going wrong with regards to communication.

Councillors raised the issue of HS2 vehicles coming into Ashow village and asked if it was possible to have signs stating there is no access to HS2. Cllr W Redford encouraged councillors to ensure incidents were logged as complaints with HS2, including the time, date, location and registration number and also stated that all HS2 vehicles will be clearly labelled as such. Complaints can be made

via the HS2 website and must be clearly stated as a complaint otherwise they will not count in official statistics. If the complaint is not satisfactorily dealt with, the resident should ask for it to be escalated to the commissioner.

Cllr Williams raised the issue of mud on the B4115 causing a significant hazard. It was confirmed that the relevant land was privately owned. Issues of mud on the road should be logged with WCC, ideally with photographic evidence.

A recent accident on B4115 highlights the need for clearer signage at the junction about rights of way. Councillor Bianco was asked to highlight the areas of issue on a map and pass this to Cllr W Redford so he can share with the WCC Road Safety Officer and consider what can be done.

114. Developments

a) Kings Hill Housing

Outline planning permission has been granted for 2500 houses assuming road junctions are improved.

b) Catesby Homes Crewe Lane

Nothing new

c) Gateway and Whitley South Development, and A45 bridgework

The bridge will be pushed over A45 on 6th March 2020. The A45 will be closed for the weekend of 6th – 9th March, and for four further weekends if necessary. The bridge is not expected to open to traffic until May.

115. Traffic and Road Issues

a) Traffic on B4115 – walkway and cycleway

Cllr W Redford encouraged Councillors to apply to the HS2 Community Fund for monies to fund a cycleway and footpath. It was acknowledged that this would be a very expensive project, with a cycleway and footpath requiring 6 metres width of land. A similar project elsewhere in Warwickshire was estimated at circa £1m for a stretch of less than one kilometre.

Cllr Redford also suggested contacting WCC regarding S106 monies from the Kings Hill development and requesting that they be allocated to a cycleway.

Cllr Redford confirmed that the reported gaps in hedges along the footpath next to the B4115 were done by the community payback team clearing back growth that was too thick. Regrowth in the Spring will fill these gaps. It is programmed for the hedge to be trimmed in early Spring.

Cllr Redford confirmed that the hedge at the Dalehouse Farm entrance to the B4115 has been recommended to be cut back to improve visibility.

It was suggested that the PC may want to have an officer from WCC come to a meeting to talk about policy and future projects on footpaths and cycleways in the locality.

b) A46-A45 Link Road

Junction improvements start in the Spring.

c) Birmingham Road

Cllr Hancox raised the issue of poor communication from Western Power about the disruption to traffic during works. Poor positioning of traffic lights has caused additional traffic problems. There has been lots of communication regarding issues caused by the works which has been outside of the WCC permit.

d) Speed limits on Stareton Road

WCC have confirmed that there were 7 accidents involving injury at the Stareton junction in last 5 years and 12 accidents involving injury on Birmingham Road, Stoneleigh.

Cllr W Redford confirmed that as part of the consultation on the Stareton Road junction, he will support residents request to a speed reduction at the junction and encouraged the PC to do the same. The consultation is due out during December.

116. Litter pick / Boundary Man

Neither Baginton nor Bubbenhall PC wish to join with Stoneleigh & Ashow in employing a Boundary Man. Other PCs in the locality will be approached.

- Clerk to approach other parishes

117. Flooding in Ashow

Cllr Williams updated that at the last Ashow village meeting there was discussion about a culvert that runs through the village which had some recent issues of flooding following heavy rainfall. There is lots of water coming from East Kenilworth and A46 which causes flooding into some housing. A meeting has been arranged with Cllr W Redford and Cllr P Redford to look at the affected area. This has resulted in an increased house insurance premium for at least one resident despite not actually being flooded.

118. To receive reports from:

- a) Police Report: None
- b) County Councillor – Cubbington – Cllr W Redford

Nothing more

- c) District Councillors – Stoneleigh & Cubbington - Cllrs Wright & Redford

- The first of a planned 168,000 trees was recently planted by Cllr Illingworth in Jephson Gardens.

- On 21st December, there will be free parking in Leamington Spa

119. Correspondence

None

120. Questions to Chairman

Cllr Williams asked if anything can be done about a house in Ashow which started to be renovated, but has not been touched for 12 months. As a result, a tarpaulin coming off and disturbing neighbours and the garden is overgrown and a risk of pests. Cllr P Redford stated that it may be possible to do something about tarpaulin, but can't do anything about progressing the renovation. It can only be addressed if the house is specifically a building of interest.

Cllr Hancox updated about the replacement tree for the one removed from the green. The Meadow Society have agreed that a replacement tree can be planted in the meadow, so that will be progressed.

121. Date of next meeting

The next meeting will be held on Thursday, January 9th 2019, at 7pm, in Stoneleigh Village Hall.

122. Closure

The meeting was closed at 21.35

Appendix 1:

Budget and Proposed Precept 2020/21						
	Budget 19/21	Spend to date (Apr - Nov)	Expected costs (Dec - Mar)	Total spend 19/20	Proposed 20/21 Budget	Comments
Salary (including tax)	£8,050.00	£5,258.47	£3,078.60	£8,337.07	£8,750.00	Increase to allow for annual pay rise
Stationery	£400.00	£89.36	£35.00	£124.36	£250.00	Reduce
Postage & Telephone	£250.00	£294.56	£10.00	£304.56	£375.00	Increase to allow for cost of PO Box
Clerk Travel expenses	£250.00	£194.40	£65.00	£259.40	£250.00	Same (o/spend due to CILCA training sessions)
Playground Equipment	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	Remove - unless planning to purchase more equipment?
Playground Maintenance	£700.00	£82.50	£2,200.00	£2,282.50	£2,500.00	Increase - repairs to equipment
Office equipment	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	Remove - Unless planning to buy more?
Equipment maintenance	£150.00	£131.72	£0.00	£131.72	£150.00	Same
Insurance	£450.00	£387.57	£0.00	£387.57	£450.00	Same
Grants	£2,000.00	£500.00	£500.00	£1,000.00	£2,000.00	Same
Training	£500.00	£380.00	£30.00	£410.00	£300.00	Reduce (o/spend this year due to CILCA training)
Audit (External and internal)	£200.00	£200.50	£50.00	£250.50	£300.00	Increase - general increase in audit costs
Village Hall hire	£500.00	£0.00	£500.00	£500.00	£500.00	Same
Subscriptions	£550.00	£318.00	£156.00	£474.00	£525.00	Increase
Chairman's Allowance	£80.00	£0.00	£70.00	£70.00	£80.00	Same
VAT	£400.00	£108.72	£40.00	£148.72	£250.00	Reduce
Election expenses	£2,500.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	Remove - £5000 in earmarked funds
Misc	£0.00	£250.00	£0.00	£250.00	£300.00	Increase
TOTAL	16,980.00	£8,195.80	£6,734.60	£14,930.40	£16,980.00	
				Same as 2019/20		

Appendix 2:

Earmarked Funds				
	Apr-19	spent	received	Dec-19
Defibrillator	£528.00	£0.00	£0.00	£528.00
WDC - Rural Footway Lighting	£180.88	£180.88	£0.00	£0.00
Elections	£2,500.00	£0.00	£2,500.00	£5,000.00
Gateway	£1,085.00	£0.00	£0.00	£1,085.00
Neighbourhood Plan	£4,346.76	£0.00	£0.00	£4,346.76
Grant Speed Gun	£1,080.50	£0.00	£0.00	£1,080.50
Ashow Notice Boards	£116.80	£91.67	£0.00	£25.13
Planning Consultation	£100.00	£0.00	£0.00	£100.00
Transparency Fund	£400.85	£0.00	£0.00	£400.85
Total	£10,338.79	£272.55	£2,500.00	£12,566.24
Neighbourhood Plan:				
Parish Plan Stoneleigh	£1,141.89			
Community Plan Ashow	£815.87			
Neighbourhood Plan	£2,000.00			
Extra from Precept 18-19	£389.00			
	£4,346.76			