

## STAUNTON COLEFORD PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING  
HELD IN STAUNTON VILLAGE HALL ON 4<sup>th</sup> OCTOBER 2021 AT 19:30

*[N.B. These minutes remain in draft form until approved at a subsequent meeting of the Council]*

### PRESENT

Cllrs Dyson (Chairman), Asley, Mobbs-Morgan, Sadler, Smart & Woodhouse  
District Council Wheeler. 3 members of the public. Clerk Mr Crighton

### 2909 APOLOGIES

Cllr Richards.

### 2910 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST None.

### 2911 DISPENSATION REQUESTS None

### 2912 MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING HELD 2 AUGUST 2021

It was **resolved** to approve the minutes of the meeting; they were signed by the Chairman.

### 2913 CLERKS REPORT None

### 2914 MATTERS ARISING

2914.1 re minute 2899.5.1: it was reported that the balance of the deposit account had been transferred to the cheque account

2914.2 re minute 2899.5.2: it was reported that Cllrs Astley and Woodhouse were registered as signatories to the bank account on the basis of 'View and Authorise'

2914.3 RE MINUTE 2901.5: it was noted that discussion with Mr Bryant re public liability insurance and his work on the Meend was still to be held.

### 2915 PUBLIC QUESTIONS

2915.1 Why was the road closed unofficially during recent work on the car park of the The White Horse? Gloucestershire Highways to be advised.

2915.2 Why was there no notification issued regarding the revised parking in the White Horse carpark? The questioner was advised that the new planning application incorporating the change was considered by the Parish Council. (See minute 2919.2.2 below)

2915.3 With the imminent new legislation regarding parking on the footway, will residents be permitted to use the village hall car park?

2915.4 Are discussion planned with Mr Bryant regarding his work on the Meend? Councillors felt hat, while welcoming his efforts, there needs to be a dialogue between him and the Parish Council to agree work in advance of it being undertaken.

2915.5 Could a group be formed to undertake the occasional litter pick on the Meend and through the village?

### 2916 REPORT FROM COUNTY COUNCILLOR ALLAWAY-MARTIN No report

### 2917 REPORTS FROM PARISH COUNCILLORS AND COUNCIL REPRESENTATIVES

2917.1 **Cross Parish Communications Group.** Cllr Dyson reported on attending a meeting of the group

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whose core principle is to support the FODDC vision as detailed in the Core Strategy which deals with ‘creating sustainable communities with a high quality environment, a developing local economy including tourism, housing which meets the needs of residents (including affordable homes) and safer communities.’

The group’s principles are:

1. Without some modest growth to provide housing for all village and towns will die
2. New housing in villages / towns should be in proportion to their present scale
3. Local employment is dispersed across the district and is supported by local housing
4. Growth and provision for employment should be especially focused on small / medium sized enterprises (2-30 employees) where road connections are not essential (eg IT / office / home based) and are served by local housing
5. Infrastructure needs and safety from flooding need to be identified and addressed alongside housing increases.

There needs to be a prerequisite that FODDC identifies settlement boundaries with those parishes which currently have none.

It was agreed that the Parish Council would continue to be involved with the group as long as it remained relevant to the parish.

Alongside this group there is the Local Planning Engagement Forum.

2917.2 **Local Plan Engagement Forum.** Cllr Astley reported that he was awaiting dates for the meeting of the forum.

2917.3 **Forest of Dean Health Forum.** Cllr Smart advised that she had not attended the last meeting due to the short notice given of it, but would attend the AGM on 5 October

**2918 REPORT FROM DISTRICT COUNCILLOR DAVID WHEELER**

Cllr Wheeler reported;

- FODDC does not have a 5 year land supply for housing, hence settlement boundaries are now irrelevant
- The Local Plan should be approved in 2022
- Concentrated housing development requires additional infrastructure, whereas smaller developments do not
- Being encouraged by Staunton Parish Council taking an interest in the supply of housing in the District

**2919 PLANNING**

2919.1 FOREST OF DEAN DISTRICT COUNCIL APPLICATIONS SUBMITTED - the following applications were considered

	<b>Ref No / applicant</b>	<b>Location</b>	<b>Proposal</b>	<b>Response</b>
2919.1.1	P1449/21/FUL Mr & Mrs Blowey	Newland: The Bowery	Variation of condition 01 (Approved plans) of planning permission P1891/19/FUL to allow for alterations to external materials.	No comment
2919.1.2	P1581/21/FUL Ms H Carter	Staunton: Tyto Alba	Two storey side extension and associated works	No objection but would prefer the external finish of the extension to match the

				remainder of the building, and all subject to any comment by the Conservation officer.
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2919.2 FOREST OF DEAN DISTRICT COUNCIL APPLICATIONS DETERMINED – to note the following decision:

Ref No	Location	Proposal	Decision
2919.2.1 P1315/21/FUL	Staunton: Woodland View	1. Multi stem Ash at rear of barns, pollard to 3'. 2. Leaning Ash limb at far end of barn pollards to 10'. 3. Multi stem Sycamore at rear right of house pollard to 5'.  Reasons for all work – dying trees with dangerous overhang to buildings and adjacent homes. All works will be carried out by qualified Arborists.  [As the Parish Council is applicant no response was made]	Granted
2919.2.2 P1053/21/FUL	Staunton: White Hose Inn	Variation of conditions 02 (approved planes), 06 (boundary treatments), 08 (parking layout) and 09 (parking layout)b relating tom planning permission P1873/1/FUL to allow for relocation of parking spaces.	Permitted 29/7/21 – 16 conditions.

**2920 FINANCE**

2920.1 ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT: the following accounts were approved for payment (Authority: Localism Act 2001 s.1). To be authorised at the bank by Cllrs Dyson and Sadler.

BACS ref	Payee	Purpose	Amount	VAT	Payment value
21/22&28	N T Sargent	Grass contract – August & September	200.00		200.00
21/23	Redbrook Village Hall	Hall hire – 6/7/21	27.50		27.50
21/24	R S Crighton	Net salary Jul – Sep	1038.20		1167.00
21/25		Travel	28.80		
21/26		Home allowance	52.00		
21/26		Broadband / phone	48.00		
21/27	HMRC	PAYE	259.60		259.60
DDR	Unity Trust	Quarterly bank charge	18.00		18.00
21/29	Chapel Tree Services	Various tree work	1100.00	220.00	1320.00
21/30	Chapel Tree Services	Various tree work	450.00	90.00	540.00
		<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>3222.10</b>	<b>310.00</b>	<b>3532.10</b>

2920.2 INCOME RECEIVED, YEAR TO DATE: £12625.57 ( increase of £6000 – 2<sup>nd</sup> tranche of precept received)

2920.3 BUDGET 2022/23

It was suggested that provision be made for work on a village history, village trail and significant tree work on the Meend. The first draft budget would be considered at the November meeting.

## **2921 HIGHWAYS AND RIGHTS OF WAY**

2921.1 AREA HIGHWAYS MANAGER

It was reported that Stuart Budd had succeed Brian Watkins. He would be invited to a village visit.

2921.2 FOOTPATH RST8

It was reported that the Rights of Way Officer had advised that there was insufficient space to allow a barrier to be placed where it reached the A4136. Further enquiries would be made to seek an alternative solution.

2921.3 FOOTPATH VOLUNTEER GROUP

It was reported that the Rights of Way Officer would welcome such a group to help clear footpaths etc. Cllr Woodhouse was waiting for guidance re Risk Assessment and Public Liability insurance. The Clerk advised that volunteers working under the auspices of the Parish Council were covered by the Council's insurance.

2921.4 DOG WASTE

Forestry England had provided template signs; the quantity would be assessed and the signs printed and laminated. There continued to be an issue of dog waste on village footways and if those responsible were identified, the Street Wardens would be asked to intervene.

2921.5 SINK HOLE

It was reported that this had been filled.

2921.6 OUTSTANDING ISSUES

It was reported that the following issues remained outstanding and would be brought to the attention of the new Area Highways Manage for addressing:

- 2621.6.1 Funding £8000 for 2 new Vehicles Activated Signs
- 2621.6.2 Re-marking of rumble strips and other road markings A4136
- 2621.6.3 New signage for Rookery Lane.
- 2621.6.4 Establish the value of the s.106 fund and if any time limit on it's use

2921.7 DEFINITIVE RIGHTS OF WAY MAP

A reminder was given that any proposed alterations must be submitted by October 2025.

## **2922 STOWFIELD QUARRY**

2922.1 It was reported that a resident had written to the Parish Council following a meeting she had with Nick Bainton (GCC Minerals Planning Officer) over concerns she had regarding the operations at

the quarry. Mr Bainton had confirmed to the Parish Council that all blast vibrations were within limits imposed by the planning permission (which were nationally accepted limits) and that there had been no breach of the permitted extraction area. Mr Bainton had confirmed that, of all the county quarries he was responsible for, he had never had any issue with Stowfield.

2922.2 The quarry would be asked to suggest a couple of dates for the next meeting of the Liaison Group, at which the Parish Council would seek information on the blasting which could be made available to it. There was also a desire for some Councillors and public to attend a blast event.

## 2923 PARISH LAND

### 2923.1 MEEND PLANNING APPLICATION

It was reported that responses had been received from Natural England (NE) and The Open Spaces Society (OSS); the Parish Council was required to submit a single response to the Planning Inspectorate by 3 November. A draft response would be worked up by Cllr Sadler and the Clerk, circulated to members in good time for any final amendments and for approval at the Council meeting on 1 November. The primary objection from NE and OSS was that the permission should not be permanent. The question of whether or not the gates conformed to current British Standards was raised and guidance would be sought from the Rights of Way Officer.

### 2923.2 JAPANESE KNOTWEED

Following a survey, the Wye Valley AONB had confirmed that they had secured funding to treat the areas identified. Any new areas of growth should be flagged up.

## 2924 DEFIBRILLATOR

It was reported that delivery of the new machine was expected during October.

## 2925 VILLAGE PUMP

It was **resolved** that the Parish Council would identify a site for the pump, arrange for its installation and provide a suitably worded plaque / information board.

## 2926 CORRESPONDENCE

2626.1 GATPC: newsletter and training programme. It was agreed not to allocate .gov.uk email address for Councillors; this facility had been available in the past and not used.

2626.2 Fairford Town Council: support for a general 20 mph speed limit in town and village residential areas. **Resolved** to support.

## 2927 MINOR MATTERS

2927.1 It was agreed that should public opinion be sought on any issue this was best achieved by a mail drop with boxes provided for responses, rather than relying solely on Facebook, which was not used by everyone.

2927.2 It was agreed that a newsletter would be issued when there was sufficient content to warrant the cost; consideration would be given to issuing one early in 2022.

## 2928 PUBLIC COMMENT

2928.1 The point was raised about what the Parish Council (as landowner) and village residents are permitted to do on the Meend, apart from those with registered Commoners' Rights. Clerk to

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research.

**2929 ITEMS FOR FUTURE MEETINGS**

Nov – 1st draft budget 2022/23  
 Nov – Manager of Jamie’s Farm attending

**2930 DATES OF FUTURE MEETINGS**

<b>Date</b>	<b>Time</b>	<b>Meeting</b>	<b>Venue</b>	<b>Final date for agenda items* / written report*** / dispensation requests***</b>
1 Nov <b>2021</b>	1930	Monthly Council meeting	Village hall	24 Oct* / 28 Oct** / 29 Oct***
10 Jan	1930	Monthly Council meeting	Village hall	2 Jan* / 6 Jan** / 7 Jan***
7 Feb	1930	Monthly Council meeting	Village hall	30 Jan* / 3 Feb** / 4 Feb***
7 Mar	1930	Monthly Council meeting	Village hall	27 Feb* / 3 Mar** / 4 Mar***
4 Apr	1930	Monthly Council meeting	Village hall	27 Mar* / 31 Mar** / 1 Apr***

**Rota for undertaking in-house checks prior to these meetings, please arrive by 1900.**  
**If meetings remain virtual these checks will be undertaken in the week prior to the meeting, virtually.**

**2021/22**

Cllrs Mobbs-Morgan & Richards before the **November** meeting  
 Cllrs Dyson & Smart before the **March 2022** meeting

The meeting closed at 2142