

## MINUTES OF MEETING

<b>Name of Meeting</b>	Ordinary Stretton-on-Dunsmore Parish Council (SODPC) Meeting
<b>Date, Time and Venue of Meeting</b>	Monday 10 <sup>th</sup> January 2018 at 7.30pm in Knightlow School.
<b>Meeting Chair</b>	Cllr Paul Gordon (PG),
<b>Minute Taker</b>	Mrs Helen Stewart (HS)
<b>Attendees</b>	Cllr Ian Simpson (IS), Cllr Nicola Haywood (NH), Cllr Joe Whitmore (JW), Cllr Warwick Dipple (WD) Cllr Pam Rose & 8 parishioners
<b>Apologies</b>	

### Public Forum

- Fineacre Lane – Potholes (Cllr Roberts will follow up with WCC)
- Speeding on Church Hill and Freeboard Lane (piece in Pendulum) – Traffic Surveys add to March agenda
- Manhole cover 12 School Lane – report to WCC.
- Thanks for grant to village hall.

Agenda Number	Minute	Actioner	Date for Completion
1.	<b>Apologies</b> None received.	No Action	
2.	<b>Declarations of Interest</b> Councillor Haywood declared an interest in item 12 (correspondence) on the agenda.	No Action	
3.	<b>Minutes from Last Month's Meeting</b> The minutes of the meeting on 13 <sup>th</sup> November 2017 and on 10 <sup>th</sup> January 2018 were accepted by those present and signed as a true and account by Cllr Paul Gordon.	No Action	
4.	<b>Actions from the minutes</b>		
	a. Weed killer dispersal training PA1 & PA6 – Warwickshire College £485 for Mark Cooper has now been booked and confirmed for March 2018.	MC	
	b. The railings extension and new basketball hoop at Plott Lane Playing Field are now installed.	No Action	
	c. Cllr Haywood will lead the community litter from the village green at 10-12am on 3 <sup>rd</sup> March 2018.	No Action	
	d. Rob from Radii Ramps has inspected Plott Lane Skate Park and provided a report free of charge for the Parish Council to consider. Following from that report, some quotations for repairs were received from a local welder and Radii Ramps. IS endeavour to obtain another quote for reference, but it was agreed that some 'mid-term' repairs are required to the skate equipment.	IS	07/03/2018
	e. The police trained another five volunteers in the use of a speed gun on Saturday 10 <sup>th</sup> February. Princethorpe Parish Council has bought and is now possession of a speed gun, while Stretton have ordered all the accessories. Cllr Rose will contact Cllr Luntley of Princethorpe to arrange the timetable for monitoring the traffic in both villages. PR will ask the police to clarify why the team cannot monitor School Lane and Church Hill.	PR	07/03/2018
	f. After a discussion on the pros and cons of purchasing additional grit and bins, and considering the public liability aspect it was agreed that the public be consulted on locations. Purchase 2-3. HS note in pendulum.	HS	07/03/2018

5.	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Reports from Borough and County Councillors</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• WCC Councillor Grant</li> <li>• Drain on Knightlow Hill</li> <li>• Crazy Daisy's – expect development to start in April 2018</li> <li>• Bull &amp; Butcher – WCC meeting with owners</li> <li>• Local Plan – inspectorate questioned the need to go into the greenbelt. A full and thorough report will be made available.</li> <li>• WCC have raised the council by 5%.</li> <li>• Old Blue Boar ground (breakers yard) – HR will endeavour to get an update from the planning department.</li> <li>• Rubbish on A45 – new appointment at RBC (Dan Green) will see a blitz on this area.</li> </ul>	No Action	
6.	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Planning Matters</b></p> <p>The Parish Council reviewed application R18/0197 and concluded it has no comment to make. For information R18/007 has been approved with conditions by RBC.</p>	No Action	
7.	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Casual Vacancies</b></p> <p>An uncontested election took place which resulted in two new residents being elected on to the Parish Council. Sarah Gambling and Chris Burton will take up their new post on 19<sup>th</sup> February 2018.</p>	No Action	
8.	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Fosse Way Playground</b></p> <p>a. Cllr Simpson proposed the previously discussed hard mesh be purchased and laid at Fosse Way playground to avoid further damage to the grass under the playground equipment, this was seconded by Cllr Rose and agreed unanimously. HS to place order for delivery to IS. JW, PG, IS and MC will install the mesh.</p> <p>b. Correspondence with a Coventry based Builder's Merchant has taken place after damage was caused to wooden posts at Fosse Way playing field. A satisfactory response/solution has not been received yet so the matter is ongoing.</p>	HS	07/03/2018
9.	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Grass Cutting &amp; Hedgerows</b></p> <p>a. A quotation from Mark Cooper has been received to top up the cuts of the grass verges when required. HS is still waiting for a full schedule of cuts from RBC.</p> <p>b. After a discussion it was agreed that Robinson's would be the chosen contractor for the cutting of the amenities lands and playing fields due to the quality of their work, the price and our already established relationship with them.</p> <p>c. A resident of Squires Rd has requested that the hedge be taken down slightly shorter so he can reach the top when he is cutting it. The matter was delegated to HS to assign a contractor.</p>	HS	
10.	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Small Grants Policy</b></p> <p>An application form received Knightlow Primary School to support their swimming curriculum for £2,340 was discussed. Cllr Rose proposed it be granted in full, which was seconded by Cllr Dipple and agreed unanimously.</p>	No Action	
11.	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Scouts</b></p> <p>A sub-group of Parish Councillors met with Vicki Ledger of the Scouts, and established that the Parish Council doesn't object to small private events that take place within the Scout Hut that are connected with Scouting. Equally it does not object to the use of the playing field during a beaver, cub or scout session i.e.: a game of rounders etc (as it is a public recreation ground.) It was also agreed that the scouts may be permitted to have small controlled fires outside the hut, or overnight camps however these must be fully risk assessed and requested in writing to the Parish Council in a timely</p>	No Action	

	fashion. The matter of the scouts sub-letting the hut for a commercial activity was brought to full Parish Council. After a discussion with highlighted insurance concerns and conflict of interests in the village hall or school hall, it was concluded that this is not acceptable within the terms of the lease agreement.		
12.	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Correspondence</b></p> <p>a. Land in front of 2 Church Hill will be resurfaced being paid for by the residents and Dave Lowe – Clive Haywood</p> <p>b. Traffic on Church Hill – Mary Pinchen</p> <p>c. 29<sup>th</sup> Division Memorial service will take place at the monument on 11<sup>th</sup> March. The Parish Council have been supportive and helpful in their correspondence but do not wish to lay a wreath. – Foster Summerson</p> <p>d. Traffic Church Hill and Brookside – John Yates</p>	No Action	
13.	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Finances – Precept.</b></p> <p>After reviewing the predicted end year spend for 2017/18, and considering the budgeted outgoings for 2018/19 it was agreed to request the same amount of precept as in previous years. £53,387.00.</p>	No Action	
13b.	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Monthly Finances</b></p> <p>Cheques were signed for:-</p> <p>£153.09 – Helen Stewart (reimbursement for basketball)</p> <p>£114.83 – RBC (election costs)</p> <p>£1350.00 – Mark Cooper (Railing Plott Lane)</p> <p>£393.40 – Helen Stewart (Salary)</p> <p>£463.49 – Mark Cooper (Wages)</p> <p>£355.71 – Helen Stewart (reimbursement for Speed Watch Accessories)</p> <p>£2340.00 – Knightlow School (Grant)</p> <p>£39.16 – Paul Gordon (plaque)</p> <p>£34.99 – Paul Gordon (replacement cheque.)</p> <p>£485.00 – Warwickshire College (PA1 &amp; PA6 training)</p> <p>£940.41 – Helen Stewart (reimbursement for grass mesh.)</p>	No Action	
14.	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Any Other Business</b></p> <p>Allotment has been let out – MC to cut the hedge.</p> <p>Footpath - kissing gates on School Lane. WD to email contact at WCC re installation.</p> <p>Vera Thomas has passed away funeral on 16<sup>th</sup> March 2018.</p>	WD	07/03/2018
15.	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Date of Next Meeting &amp; Future Meetings</b></p> <p>The dates for the forthcoming public meetings have been set as:- Monday 12<sup>th</sup> March 2018.</p>	No Action	

Meeting closed at 9.24pm.