LIMPLEY STOKE PARISH COUNCIL MINUTES OF THE ORDINARY PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

HELD on the 5th November 2019 at 7.00pm VILLAGE HALL, LIMPLEY STOKE

Councillors: Chairman - Mr Anthony Gennard (AG), Mr Francis Firmstone (FF), Mr Alan MacDougall (AM), Ms Georgina Taylor (GT), Ms Denise Barnes (DB), Mr Ian Barnes (IB).

Apologies: Mrs N Boulton, Mr E Elias

In attendance: Bryony Kohn (Parish Clerk), Johnny Kidney (County Councillor for Winsley and Westwood).

Members of the public: Two members of the public attended for Open Forum.

Item						
110. Declarations of interest. None.						
111. Open Forum.						
a. Sarah Fraser addressed the Parish Council on the problem of Ash Die Back in the Limpley Stoke Valley. The climate emergency problems affecting our valley were outlined in detail and draft recommendations by the Cotswold AONB were presented to the council. 70% of the trees in the valley are Ash. It is predicted that 90% of the Ash trees in the valley will die in the next 10 to 20 years so a carefully managed plan for the care of existing trees and a planting scheme is needed. Factors such as type of tree, provenance of the saplings and location and numbers of trees need to be considered. The CAONB can donate 40 trees to Limpley Stoke and Freshford and The Woodland Trust can supply up to 420 trees to organisations too.						
AG thanked Sarah Fraser for her informative presentation and suggested that a Village Hall talk to the parishioners in Limpley Stoke would be supported.						
Action 20/19: GT will pursue a Village Hall event that includes a presentation on Ash Die Back opportunity.	GT					
b. Councillor for Winsley & Westwood Report. The Council were grateful to hear Councillor Johnny Kidney's report - a copy of which is at the Enclosure.						
c. Police Report. No police report was received.						
112. Co-Option of new Councillor to the Parish Council – Mr Ian Barnes. AG proposed the co-option of Ian Barnes to the council which was seconded by GT. The councillors voted unanimously to co-opt Ian Barnes to the Parish Council.						
113. Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of the Limpley Stoke Parish Council held on the 1st October 2019. The Minutes (previously distributed to Councillors for comment) were approved with no comment and signed off as an official record by the Chairman.						
114. Financial Items (BK).						
Approval of payment of invoices and notification of receipts.						
a. SO104 – Idverde. Monthly (Oct) Playpark Litterbin emptying: £18.37.						
Decision: Approved.						

b. SO105 – B Kohn. Clerk salary (Oct).	
Decision: Approved.	
c. DD128- Wilts Council. CATG contribution to Winsley Hill Footway scheme: £2500	
Decision: Approved	
d. DD129- Wilts Council. CATG contribution to Crowe Hill Handrail: £1173	
e. DD130-A Duck. Grasscutting (Oct): £405	
Decision: Approved	
115. Enduring Theme- Freshford and Limpley Stoke Neighbourhood Plan (2014-2039): Update on 5 year stocktake. (AG) The Councillors will read the document compiled by AG and will discuss the contents fully at the December meeting.	All Clirs
116. Key Themes	
Community:	
a. Community event update (GT). The Environment themed latest coffee morning was well attended. The councillors felt that it was worth pursuing these regular events as they bring the community together. Numbers attending were steadily growing and a programme of events will be put together for 2020. It was suggested that leaflets could be produced advertising future events which could be distributed at the 'Sold Out' Christmas Party on the 30 th November.	GT
The next event is the Quiz on the 15 th November 2019. There are still tickets available to purchase.	
Action 21/19: GT will pursue a Village Events programme for 2020.	GT
In the New Year, there will be an opportunity to sign up to the website for Limpley Stoke event information at the coffee mornings.	
Action 22/19: AG will bring a laptop to the Village Hall to enable this.	AG
b. Flisca (FF). FF attended the meeting. There was nothing major to report. FLiSCA had made a financial award to the scout group for the purchase of a new flag.	
Traffic:	
a. AG and JK met separately with Dave Thomas from Wilts CC (14 Oct) and AG/FF/JK with our local MP Michelle Donelan (1 Nov) to discuss traffic issues affecting the Limpley Stoke village. Specific issues included: speed limits on the A36; Woods Hill traffic flow concerns; better prioritisation along Lower Stoke at the old station road; traffic calming along Midford Lane and Crow Hill/Crowe Lane; Brassknocker traffic light improvements and more visible village entrance solutions. Where appropriate, residents will be consulted about their preferences for improvements. (More detail at the Annex).	AG/FF/IB
Resurfacing of the Crowe Hill pavements and traffic calming solutions were also discussed.	
b. CATG Meeting. AM, IB and possibly AG will attend the next meeting on the 11^{th} November 2019.	AG, AM, IB
c. Highways VPA Meeting update (AM). AM to update at December's meeting.	
Environment:	
a. Plastic packaging at BoA Sainsburys. DB suggested that the Parish Council write to Sainsburys about trying to reduce plastic packaging of their goods. DB will compose a letter for the Chairman to approve before sending to the local supermarket.	22
Action 23/19: DB to compose a letter for the Chairman before sending to the local	DB

supermarket.

b. **Light pollution in the village.** DB enquired whether the streetlights could be turned off on Crowe Hill at about 11.30pm. This is the time that lights in Freshford are turned off. AG said that this was a possibility and would make some enquiries.

AG

Action 24/19: AG to enquire about streetlight timings on Crowe Hill.

c. **Woodland Trust tree donation.** DB said that the Woodland Trust have a scheme to donate between 30-420 trees of varying varieties. Winsley Parish Council have been allocated 210 trees some of which have already been planted. Unfortunately, there are no wide pavements in Limpley Stoke village where trees could be planted although there is an option for some hedging to be planted in the playpark. DB will produce a flyer which can be distributed to households informing them of this scheme and encouraging them to apply for some trees or hedging etc.

DB

Action 25/19: DB to produce a flyer to inform residents.

- d. **Environmental talks.** There are a series of talks planned at the Inn at Freshford on environmental issues. The next talk outlines Retro water heating, Air source heating and Ground source heating. Future talks will be about the Woodland Trust in February and Re-Wilding in March.
- e. **Bradford on Avon climate emergency steering group recommendations.** Update next month.
- f. Bridleways and Pathways update (AM). Update next month.
- g. **Playpark update.** Maintenance is ongoing. The spring-loaded gate will be repaired this month.
- h. **Bath Asparagus.** Asparagus plants that had been disturbed on the verge by the Woodwick Hall development. It was believed that the developer had agreed to Wiltshire planning department's instruction to replant the Asparagus in a different location.

Action 26/19: A councillor would contact the owner to enquire about the situation.

AM

117. Action Plan. See attachment for details.

Action 03/19. Speed Indicator. EE will update the PC on progress at December's meeting.

Action 04/19. Playground Information Board. No further information on the design review.

Action 05/19. Playground clearance. The Safety Inspection recommendations are being actioned. The spring-loaded gate is being repaired this month. AG is in discussions with Alan Duck.

Action 06/19. **Wiltshire Planning Department**. There has been no further contact with Wiltshire Planning department.

Action 07/19. Road maintenance. AG, FF and JK met Michelle Donelan (local MP) and discussed traffic management and other parish issues. White line painting on A36 has still not been actioned by Wiltshire.

Action 08/19. **South Stoke Plateau.** Awaiting information from South Stoke Parish Council.

Action 09/19. Neighbourhood Plan stocktake. AG has completed the stocktake and distributed the results to the councillors who will discuss the findings at next month's meeting.

Action 12/19. Road Verge cutting. AM to contact the Parish Steward regarding trimming of overgrowth in Middle Stoke. Update next month.

All Cllrs

Action 13/19. Community Led Housing. Quarterly review at Dec meeting.

Action 14/19. Litterbins in Playpark. The litterbins had been very full over the summer. BK

contacted idverde regarding the collections but has had no response. The situation will be monitored.

Action 15/19. No Dog Waste stickers. AG has purchased some stickers which will be attached shortly to the litterbins in the Play Park. Those for the Village Hall bins have been attached.

Action 16/19. Signs and possible Dog Bin near Dyson Field. NB will update at next meeting.

Action 17/19. Blocked drains. Update at next meeting.

Action 18/19. Traffic Management. Discussions are ongoing with Wiltshire Highways and Michelle Donelan.

Action 19/19. Lower Stoke Parking Restriction. AG will order a sign saying "Passing Placeno parking" for the parking problem in Lower Stoke.

118. Planning applications (FF).

19/09025/FUL-3 Stoke Mead, Limpley Stoke BA2 7GX- Single storey rear and side lean-to extension.

Decision. Support from the Parish Council.

19/09211/FUL- 10 Crowe Hill, Limpley Stoke, BA2 7FX. Single storey rear extension, replacement porch and demolition of existing garage.

Decision. Support from the Parish Council.

119. Any Other Business.

Nothing to report

120. **Date of Next Meeting.** Tue 3rd December 2019 at 7.00pm.

Signed (Chair)	

The Chair closed the meeting at 9.15pm.

Limpley Stoke Parish Council Action Log as at 5th November 2019

Month Entered	Ref.	Title	Description	Lead	Update	Target Date
May	03/19	Speed Indicator sign	New mobile speed Indicator sign for the village.	EE	EE stated offline that he will bring the sign to the next meeting. Update Dec meeting	Dec 19
May	04/19	Playground Information Board	Install a new Information board.	AG	Design will be finalised by Dec 19 and then confirmed funding used to install in early 2020.	Dec 19
May	05/19	Playground clearance	Inspection report – required actions repairs. Vegetation clearance and tree removal	AG	Annual safety inspection recommendations being actioned. New spring on the gate is being actioned.	Dec 19
May	06/19	Wilts Planning Dept	Contact Wilts re PC views disregarded	FF	Still no response from Wilts CC Planning Dept. raise at next meeting with JK.	Dec 19
June	07/19	A36 speed limit, speeding through the village, traffic throughput, road maintenance pedestrian walk areas/white lines.	Maintenance required on road/verges in village.	AG/FF	AG and FF walked A36 and several village roads with Michelle Donelan MP and JK on 1st Nov. Discussions ongoing. Update next meeting.	Dec 19
July	08/19	South Stoke Plateau development	Gather information on the proposals	AG	Awaiting South Stoke PC additional information. Update next meeting.	Dec 19
July	09/19	Neighbourhood Plan	Re-Assessment of Plan	AG	AG has completed a stocktake of NP. Not all Councillors had read the report so will be discussed at next meeting.	Dec 19
July	12/19	Road verge cutting	Discuss requirements with Parish Steward	AM	Confirm date for Middle Stoke road closure to allow Parish Steward to deal with verges.	Dec 19

Iterbins in Playpark Jot for Dog Waste" stickers Idditional Dog Waste Bins near Dyson	of available space in Limpley Stoke Correct use of litterbins Costs to be obtained for bin stickers	AG AG	next meeting. Article on website and in newsletter Complete	Nov 19
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ditional Dog Waste Rins near Dyson				
elds	Contact Peter Lord to discuss additional Dog waste bin funding	NB	NB awaiting designs for the sign and wording. Update next month	Dec 19
mpley Stoke road drains unblocking	Wilts Council to be approached to clear blocked drains.	IB	Requirement to be added to Wilts CC work package.	Dec 19
mpley Stoke Traffic Management- Initial otions Paper	Create document for discussion of traffic management options.	AG FF IB	AG/FF and JK met local MP Michelle Donelan on 1st Nov and discussed a range of road and traffic issues A36 proposed 30mph speed limited supported – way forward to be identified and pursued. AG has proposed the following options for consideration. Options to resolve Woods Hill traffic throughput have been discussed and will be put forward to the Community in Jan 2020 following some focused discussion with directly affected residents where appropriate. Other specific village roads issues will be taken forward under Cat G procedures. Step 1 is to register the issues for resolution: 1. Drain cleaning.	Nov 19
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					Stoke at viaduct junction; A36 in vicinity of Woods Hill. 3. Traffic calming measures in Midford Lane and along Lower Stoke by the old station (options include but are not limited to — traffic prioritisation, raised road sections, boxed passing places, timed lighting and bollards along to prevent cars using the pavement as a road along Lower Stoke). 4. The creation of an improved village centre at the Hop Pole. Required measures include a viable Woods Hill solution, reduced 'long-term' parking in the vicinity of the Hop Pole and a village centre park focal point.	
September	19/19	Parking in Lower Stoke	Passing place sign needed	AG	AG will purchase a sign saying "Passing Place - No Parking"	Nov 19
October	20/19	Ash Die Back presentation	Pursue a Village Hall event that includes a presentation on Ash Die Back opportunity in the New Year.	GT	0	Feb 20
October	21/19	Community Events programme for 2020	GT will prepare an events programme for 2020.	GT		Jan 20
October	22/19	Website/email sign up	AG will bring a laptop to the Village Hall to provide residents with an opportunity to sign up to the website for Limpley Stoke event information.	AG		Dec 20
October	23/19	Sainsbury's plastic usage	DB to compose a letter for the Chairman before sending to the local supermarket.	DB		Dec 20
October	24/19	Street lights on Crowe Hill staying in all	AG to enquire about street light	AG		Dec 20

		night	timings on Crowe Hill.		
October	25/19	Woodland Trust tree planting	DB to produce a flyer to inform residents of this scheme and encouraging them to apply for some trees or hedging etc.	DB	Dec 20
October	26/19	Bath Asparagus at Woodwick Hall	AM would contact the owner to enquire about the situation.	AM	Dec 20