LIMPLEY STOKE PARISH COUNCIL MINUTES OF THE ORDINARY PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

HELD ON 6th February 2018 at 7.00pm VILLAGE HALL, LIMPLEY STOKE

Present

Councillors: Peter Wyatt, Janice Richards, Ruth Fulton, Gordon Tucker, Francis Firmstone, John

Mill, Johnny Kidney

Public: 1 Member of the Public

Clerk & RFO: Bryony Kohn

011/18 Apologies for Absence

Ed Elias

012/18 Declarations of Interest

JR declared an interest in planning application 18/00358/FUL due to be discussed.

013/18 Open Forum

PCSO Andrew MacLachlan sent the monthly report which outlined the use of drones by Wiltshire police. January crime figures showed 19 reported crimes in area EA12 (Wingfield, Westwood, Limpley Stoke, Winsley, Monkton Farleigh, South Wraxall, Holt and Staverton) against the average of 23 for this month over the last 2 years. There are no community speedwatch checks in the area. JR reported an incident of a "Nottingham Knocker" to the police involving door to door sales. JK reported that some garden equipment had been stolen from a trailer in Winsley that day.

Unitary Councillor's report – Johnny Kidney, February 2018

Bradford on Avon Area Board took place at South Wraxall Village Hall on Wednesday 24 January. There was one Community Grant from our Division, with Winsley Cricket Club granted £2500 towards essential upgrade of infrastructure at the clubhouse.

The planning application at the Railway Embankment in Midford has been refused by officers at Wiltshire Council.

The MyWiltshire App has been updated to include two new functions. In addition to reporting pot-holes and other road maintenance issues, fly-tipping etc, users can now also report unlicensed waste carriers and scrap metal dealers. You can use the app online, or download the app for smartphone from your usual app store.

The next Bradford on Avon Area CATG meeting takes place on 19 Feb at 4pm in the Lacock Room, County Hall.

Bradford on Avon Area Board – The next meeting takes place in Winsley on the 7th of March, at Dorothy House. It would be good to have a community grant application from one of our villages for consideration at the meeting. Please do let any community groups know about the Community Grants Scheme and get them to contact me or the Community Engagement Manager, Peter Dunford, if they would like to submit an application for funding for facilities or a particular project.

Wiltshire Council Budget

The Cabinet has announced its budget proposals for 2018/19. The Council spends nearly £1 billion per year on more than 350 services. Investment of more than £120 million is proposed for the coming year, including:

- •£13.1 million in the economy and transport
- •£25.8 million in housing, plus £3 million for Disabled Facilities Grants

- •£24 million on road and bridges repair and maintenance
- •£23.8 million in campuses and community hubs

Every year Wiltshire Council delivers a balanced budget and has not recorded a loss in recent years. Funding from central government has reduced, and as a result Wiltshire Council will be looking to make savings of approx. £25 million to ensure it can continue to balance the books, as it looks to become entirely self-sufficient. To help achieve this, the Council is proposing a council tax increase of 2.99%. This is in addition to the 3% Social Care Levy (this is the final year this additional charge will be applied).

There was no increase in Council Tax in Wiltshire between 2010 and 2016 (delivering a saving of £1,248 to the average household), and the Council continues to have one of the lowest rates of Council Tax in the Country, while always delivering a balanced budget.

The Council continues to deliver services that many other Local Authorities have closed. For example Wiltshire Council has not closed libraries and continues to operate a mobile library service. Investment in leisure centres has continued. The Council continues to subsidise bus services. Refuse and recycling collections continue on alternate weeks and the Council has invested more in recycling.

The impact of the proposed rise on a Band D property will be an additional 22p per day, or £1.54 per week.

JM asked JK to discuss with Wiltshire planning department the timings and processes of the parish council's discussions and the influence of the Neighbourhood Plan prior to the decision making processes formed by the planning officers and the applicants.

JR asked JK to check the timings of CIL payments to the parish.

JR was concerned again by more road closures causing disruption to residents and the bus service and JK would see if there could be better liaison between the utility companies.

Plans for the planning application 17/12515/FUL Aroona, Pool house structure were outlined by the applicant to the council.

014/18 Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of the Parish Council held on 9th January 2018

The minutes were discussed and accepted as an accurate record and signed by the Chair.

Matters arising from previous meetings were actioned or are on the Agenda for the March meeting.

015/18 Financial Items

DD68 Alan Duck Grasscutting Dec/Jan	£225
DD69 Minuteman newsletter printing costs	£65.40
SO62- Idverde- Playpark litterbin emptying-Jan	£18.37
SO63- B Kohn Clerk salary- Jan	

DD70- B Kohn new newsletter delivery costs £10

PW and JR signed the approved payment forms.

016/18 Planning Applications and Decisions

17/12515/FUL Aroona, Church Lane

Ancillary Pool House

FF proposed to support the application. JM seconded the proposal. The councillors voted unanimously to support the application.

17/11901/ADV Limpley Stoke Hotel

Retrospective application for Illuminated signage

PW said it should be proportionate to the area.

FF said it was too big, too bright and dominated and detracted from the historic centre of Limpley Stoke. The councillors had no objection to an externally lit sign of a similar size to the original sign.

FF proposed to object to the application. RF seconded the proposal.

The councillors voted unanimously to object to the application.

18/00359FUL Panbride, 1 Old Track

Replacement front porch

JR declared an interest and did not vote but the remaining councillors voted to support the application.

Decisions by Wiltshire Council

17/11642/FUL Scotland Rocks, 1 Warminster Road

Single storey orangery.

Approved by Wiltshire Council with conditions

17/01230/ENF Southernwood, 3 Church Lane

The parish council is awaiting a report by Daniel Tyrrell of Wiltshire Council regarding the height of the building.

17/11605/FUL 52 Middle Stoke

2 storey dwelling following demolition of existing building Approved by Wiltshire Council with conditions

017/18 War Memorial

Will be discussed at the next meeting

018/18 Annual Parish Meeting

Will be discussed at the next parish meeting

019/18 Freshford and Limpley Stoke Fete

Will be discussed at the next parish meeting

020/18 GDPR and Communications

JR met with Andrew Orme, Chairman of Freshford PC to discuss databases. Ownership of the website needs to be confirmed by BK who will check with the web designer. A Data Protection Officer needs to be appointed and a policy needs to be constructed and approved by the parish council regarding information held and access to the database.

The PC agreed that the PC would use the LS database for its email communication channel rather than the Freshford database.

Only the PC Clerk and parish councillors will have access to the LS database.

021/18 **Updates**

Project spreadsheet- update next month Stewards spreadsheet- potholes and maintenance being addressed. BK

JR

Footpaths- a plaque for Cotswold Wardens will be discussed next meeting Roads- RF will report pothole near bridge by canal centre entrance. RF reported that Winsley Hill Traffic Action Group were progressing with a plan for a footbridge over the canal on Winsley Hill.	RF
Playpark- report to be discussed next meeting VPA- FF or PW to attend 14 th February meeting	FF,PW
Flisca- RF said £690 grant was given to Freshford School and £1000 had been donated to the Freshford Memorial Hall. BK to contact E Gee regarding grants	вк
022/18 Any Other Business for next meeting	
War memorial, Annual Parish Meeting, Freshford and Limpley Stoke Fete, Plaque on handrail for Cotswold Wardens, Playpark repairs.	
No other business. PW closed the meeting at 9pm.	
023/18 Date of Next Meeting- 6 th March 2018	
Signed (Chair) Date	