

Minutes

JULY 2002

MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE STANFORD IN THE VALE PARISH COUNCIL HELD ON WEDNESDAY 3 JULY 2002 AT STANFORD VILLAGE HALL.

Questions/comments from Parishioners

Mr.C.Smith,on behalf of Stanford FC wished to state that the FC agreed with the conditions of the new lease except for the 25% rise.Chairman stated that this item was now in the hands of the solicitors and it should not be under discussion.Mr.Williams asked if solicitors were deciding rather than the parish council – Chairman – No reply.There being no further questions,the Chairman opened the meeting.

Present:	Mr.P.G.McMorrow(Chair)	Mr.S.Bambury
	Mr.A.Bungay	Mr.M.Williams
	Mrs.R.Packer	Mr.P.Gill
	Mr.B.Burls	Mr.G.Sandels

1/07/02 Apologies: Mr.G.Hughes - County Councillor

2/07/02 Minutes of meeting 5 June 2002

8/06/02 Re Kitchen units Following discussion it was proposed by Mr.Williams seconded by Mr.McMorrow that line 15 be amended to read by insertion '*prior to budget submission*' – carried

15/06/02 Delete timetables insert *information*

Following these amendments it was proposed by Mr.Williams seconded by Mr.Bungay minutes be approved – carried

Matters arising

Mr.Gill confirmed that a strimmer was being held by him on behalf of the Church and that he had not been aware of other ownership.

Report of District Councillor

1. The Youth Forum for year 9 pupils was well attended and the students were very responsive and interested, suggesting many topics for future meetings.
2. I attended the Healthcheck meeting in Buckland. Many of the items raised were common to both Buckland and Stanford. It will be interesting to see how the issues discussed will be incorporated into the open meeting on July 13 at 10.15 am in the Corn exchange. There is a very interesting list of issues that have already emerged.
3. There was a meeting in Watchfield on June 24. Representatives from each Parish raised issues concerning the proposed 'de-trunking' of the A420. Two major issues the detrunking might well be more convenient re road repairs, new ideas for improvement etc; but there would be more of a threat for the Shrivenham area as Swindon attempts to "swallow" it.
4. The next Area Committee (West) is on July 23. Hopefully it will deal with grants from then on, but the whole budget is only £11,500 and the Jubilee grants have already been subtracted from this amount. Two grants from Longworth will be dealt with at this meeting.
5. The Town and Parish Council's Planning evening is on Tues 29 Oct in Abingdon
6. On Friday I was present at the opening of a new soft play centre for small children at Wantage Leisure Centre. This provides a safe, colourful and interesting environment and is well worth a visit.
7. There is a special Council meeting on Sept 5 to decide the First Deposit of the new Local Plan 2001
Mr. Williams asked if the new plan would include consultations with the Parish Council – Reply No

Report of County Councillor - Nil

Report of Clerk – Nil

Correspondence

- a)RoSPA – Notification of Annual Inspection
- b)Oxfordshire CC – Older People services – Mr.Williams to complete form
- c)***** - Learning grants – Passed to Mr.Gill
- d)Vale of White Horse DC – Offer of internal audit services
- e)***** - Faringdon Healthcheck 13/7
- f)***** - Code of Conduct
- g)***** - Planning evening 29/10
- h)Office of Deputy Prime Minister(E-Mail) – Quality parishes/s137 increase
- i)OALC – County circular – AGM – Village Greens seminar 11/9

Planning applications

- STA/10239/2-LB 4 Sheards Lane – removal/replacement of windows – *Supported*
- STA/17536 – 3 Van Diemans – Bedroom in roof space/dormer window – *Supported*
- STA/2237/7 LB – The Manor House – Increase height of boundary wall – *Supported*
Subject to neighbours objections and building regs(pillars)
- STA/7828/6 The Grange Nursing Home – Extensions,en-suites 8 existing bedrooms
-Supported
- STA/6665/4 27 Chapel Road – Change of use to B&B(re-submission) – *Referred to*
District Council planners for expert opinion
- STA/17547 – 17 Huntersfield – Single storey rear extension – *Supported*
- STA/12023/4 - LB – 2 Cox’s Court – Internal partition in lounge to create playroom
- Supported

Monthly statement of accounts

Mr.Bambury declared an interest.Mr.Williams and Mrs Packer objected to the

Accounts.Proposed Mr.Bungay seconded Mr.Gill accounts be approved – carried

Accounts for payment

D.M.Dew	Salary & Expenses	475.88
J.Northcote	Salary	103.20
P.Gerring	Grass cutting	88.13
Mill.Green Trust	Books(Parish record)	53.50
Oxford Fencing Supplies	Church Fencing	1597.65

Proposed by Mr.Gill seconded by Mr.Sandels accounts be paid – carried

Grass cutting and equipment

Clerk thanked Mr.Wentworth for his efforts over the past years regarding cutting etc.

Mr.D.Rolls was now employed to cut the grass and had received training from Mr.

Wentworth.Clerk had arranged a contract,time sheets and checked insurance.There

followed a discussion regarding purchasing another mower but Council felt that this

could be left until next season although Mr.Williams is still to contact the Allen agent.

Clerk asked that he may purchase a new heavy duty brushcutter/strimmer.Proposed by

Mr.Bambury seconded by Mr.Sandels that the purchase be approved up to £300 –

Carried.

Car parking/lay-by

Clerk reported that the OCC were not happy about a lay-by and construction costs

would be approx £2000.Councillors were also unhappy about the effect on High St.

parishioner asked to contact a planning officer regarding use of garden.Council were

unhappy regarding the condition of verges/paths on the A417 after contractors work.

Clerk to contact OCC

Books

Stanford in the Vale Parish Record by Violet Howse

As the Council were unable to find the originals it was proposed that new volumes be purchased. Proposed by Mr. Williams seconded by Mr. Bungay that new volumes and Mrs. Soulsby's 'Flag on the Green' be purchased cost £53.50 – carried. Mr. Bambury declared an interest. It was further decided that a loan period of 1 month per volume applying to all PC books should be introduced and that the Clerk would keep appropriate records. Proposed Mr. Williams seconded Mrs. Packer – carried.

Newsletter

Mr. Bambury to check for distribution problems next edition.

Crime and Disorder Act 1998 sec 17

Clerk detailed some of points in the act especially Council's responsibilities and highlighted the advice to use sec 106 money received from developers, this being an on-going dispute with OCC at the moment

Recreation and Leisure

Mr. Gill reported work he had carried out at the recreation field and stated what a good condition the field was in. He hoped that the fair would not cause any problems. There were several trees with broken branches and he would be reporting this to PC Holder. The junior football posts would need to be moved to accommodate the kick – wall and youth shelter. Tenders for the wall were £2350 + vat and youth shelter £3950 + vat. He also gave the good news that the youth club had been awarded a £2000 grant towards the wall and shelter by the Oxfordshire Community Foundation.

Mr. McMorrow has been unable to contact the playarea contractor and it might be necessary to find someone else. Mr. Sandels gave details of the seating that his family

would wish to see on the rec.field ie as that on Church Green.Clerk to arrange No
Dogs signs at rec.field.

Any other urgent business

Mrs.Packer asked about the signs Church Green/Chapel Road and people being
unsure of where they were.Clerk to contact DC for guidance.

Mr.Bambury asked about Model Standing Orders.Clerk stated that these were meant
to be read and altered to suit our requirements and would be an item on the next agenda.

Proposed by Mr.Williams seconded Mr.Bambury meeting be closed – carried

Questions and comments from parishioners

**Mr.Wentworth: With regard to road sign Chapel Road,this was where the DC had placed it
and it was DC land.**

Mrs.McMorrow: She lives further into Chapel Road and people often knock at her door asking the
Location.

Mr.Wentworth:Concerned about D.Wilson homes pumping waste water intp River Ock ? Are they
pumping it into the drains ? Asked that a letter of thanks be sent to Cobra Pumps regarding their
deal for the mowers free.Regarding the original books by Violet Howse,he has them.Chairman
the best place to keep them would be the County Archives,although

Mr.Wentworth said that the Howse family requested they stay with the parish.He also spoke about

the mowers, costs etc. With regard to the Crime & Disorder Act he spoke about disorder on the
line in line with PC Holders advice had noted times and names and also taken pictures
of sheep.

