

Stottesdon & Sidbury Parish Council

Parish Council meeting held on Monday 27th January 2025 at 7.30pm in Chorley Village Hall.

Present: Cllrs D Young (Chairman), M Pearce, A Sierakowski, R Gutteridge, C Adams, R Abbiss.
Clerk: Mrs F Morris
Parishioners: None

0) Public participation: None present.

1) Apologies for absence: Noted as received from: Cllrs S Allen, S Crawford, R Kennett, Z Griffin, S. Cllrs Butler and Harris, Police.

2) Declaration of Interests

The Localism Act 2011, Relevant Authorities (Disclosable Pecuniary Interests) Regulations 2012. Members are reminded that they are required to leave the room during the discussion and voting on matters in which they have a disclosable pecuniary interest, whether or not the interest is entered in the register of member's interests maintained by the Monitoring Officer.

Cllr Abbiss declared an interest in 5b.

3) To confirm minutes of the meeting held on 16th December 2024 . These had been circulated with the agenda and were **proposed, seconded and RESOLVED to accept these as a true record.**

4) Matters arising from minutes:

a. Clerk's report:

Bagginswood Road – finally the potholes were repaired – thanks to Simon Harris for his input. Although these have all been filled in the two bad sections, not sure how long the repair will last, but it was only to make them 'safe.' The clerk has asked for a date when permanent repairs will be carried out, but no reply has been received.

Grit bins – request for Sidbury – I have requested these on Fix My Street as there has been two accidents recently. The resident has also requested these.

Duddlewick Road – reported again and a timescale requested for the repair. No dates are yet available. Cllr Kennett had also sent an email regarding the state of the road and the lane to the farm and other properties.

New technician – still no response!

Dog mess signs - complaints again on Harcourt Road and on grass in front of The Rectory. New signs will be put up by Cllr Pearce. Clerk will ask School if they want signs for their gates.

Blood Kits – request to provide these by resident. Will discuss under precept and put on agenda for next meeting.

b. Any others: None.

5) Planning applications/approvals/refusals:

a) Reference: 24/04810/FUL (validated: 23/12/2024)

Address: 4 High Street, Stottesdon, Kidderminster, Shropshire, DY14 8TZ

Proposal: Demolition of existing outhouse to create a parking space Applicant: Mr David King

Some Cllrs had visited the site and had no objections. **RESOLVED to reply to SC – no objections.**

b) Reference: 24/03679/FUL (validated: 30/09/2024)

Address: Pickthorn Farm, Chorley, Bridgnorth, Shropshire, WV16 6PU

Proposal: Erection of cattle rearing building

Decision: **Grant Permission**

Cllrs Abbiss declared an interest in this, but no discussion took place as this was for notification.

c) Any others received after issue of the agenda – none received.

6) Finance:

b) Accounts for payment/approval:

Clerks Salary - £xxx

HMRC -£383.57 less £32.53 over payment =£351.04 paid

Lengthsman account - £1100.00 = £250 – Dr's surgery and other PC work.

RESOLVED to pay these accounts.

Any others received after issue of agenda

c) Income since last meeting - £26.78 interest

d) Quarterly account for approval – **RESOLVED to approve.**

e) Precept – Clerk provided documents from the Scribe accounting system showing the precept and each item was worked through and discussed.

The provision of blood kits was discussed, and the cost would be £89 +VAT for the kit and £5 +VAT for sticker to put on defib machine case and these could be put inside the case. Cllrs all **AGREED** that these should be provided for each defib (3), and the amount was included in the precept, and will be discussed at next meeting.

As we are still unaware if SC will carry on with a contribution with the EMG (Lengthsman scheme) and what other work will be put down to the Parish Council to carry out the precept **was RESOLVED to be increased to £39,950.00. If it is found that this was too high, then this can be reduced next year, but advice from SALC as to be prepared.**

f) flags for VE day – **RESOLVED to purchase three, one for Stottesdon, Chorley and Sidbury and this was included in the precept.**

g) Website.gov.uk costs – an amount was added to the precept and will put on next agenda.

7) SALC report:

Cllr Abbiss had nothing to report.

Information Bulletins have been sent out.

8) **Shropshire Cllr's report:** No Cllr present, no report received yet for this month.

9) Parish matters/problems

a) Raised by Cllrs:

- Potholes all over the parish, previously reported.
- Roadside verge damage all though Sidbury
- Verges outside Harcourt View damaged.
- Flooding at Riddings Lane between The Woodhouse and Northwood Lane junction.
- Traffic sign damaged at the bottom of Moonhouse Bank.

- Loughton junction signs at the bottom of Almshouse Bank lying in the grass.
 - Deer sign at Midwinters leaning against post in the verge.
 - Pothole on the main road outside Glazeley Manor.
 - DEUXHILL signs appeared to be very close to the road edge and not SC usual signs.
 - Flooding between Hardwick Farm and Dayhouse Farm.
- b) Any others – none.

10) Correspondence: including all emails forwarded to Cllrs: Taken as read unless comments made:

- Alterations to the Electoral Register
- King Charles portrait/low take up – Cllr Kennett still has our photograph
- Road Closure - Unnamed Road, Burwarton (Wrickton Bridge) – **this is NOT the Walkerslow bridge repaired a few years ago.**
- Road Closure - Unnamed Road, Prescott (Honeysuckle Bridge)
- SALC - Presentations and additional follow up information from SALC/LNRS conference held on 6th December in Church Stretton
- 'Change NHS Share your views locally to shape the NHS service nationally'.
- Reply re: temporary siting of caravans
- Chairs' Network Meeting – Wednesday 15th January 2025 – any feedback? **Unable to attend**
- Bridgnorth and Shifnal Area Committee – minutes of last meeting forwarded – next meeting 19th March 7.00pm via Zoom
- Housing Survey letter from Craig Bethell – **next agenda**
- Year-Round Greenery with Low-Maintenance Hedges
- 2025 National Garden Scheme Parish and Town Councils – **email sent to Wade Muggleton**
- Severn Valley Country Park Bulletin January 2025
- Police - Anti-Social Behaviour Guidance [#375412792]
- Best Kept Village and Community Competition
- Road Closure - Unnamed Road, Stottesdon (Chorley Bridge) – Litley Bridge
- SALC - Chairs' Network Meeting - Wednesday 12th March 2025
- Potholes fixed at Bagginswood – **dealt with earlier**
- Grit bin request at Sidbury – **dealt with earlier**
- Any others received after issue of agenda – none.

11) Date of next meeting: 24th February 2025.

12 months dates sent out for approval – no comments.

Payments approved:

Clerk's salary - £xx

PAYE - £351.04

M Pearce - £1100.00 Lengthsman, £250 (PC work)

There being no other business the meeting closed at 9.55pm