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Stretton Grandison Group Parish Council

Minutes of the meeting of the parish council held at The Stables, Canon Frome, HR8 2UN On Monday 9th September 2019 at 7.30pm

Present: Cllrs: Douglas Smith (Chairman); Charles Pudge, Malcolm Davies, Ed Godsall, Richard Henson and Helen Heathfield.

In attendance: Emma Thomas – Parish Clerk, Ward Cllr. Jonathan Lester, Police Crime Commissioner Mr. John Campion, Herefordshire Council representative Mr Bruce Evans and Balfour Beatty representative Mrs Linzy Outtrim, ABE representative Mr. Jeff Pryce, Police Community Support Officer Dave Alexander

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1. **To accept any apologies for absence and note the reason**
None

6. **To record any Declarations of Interest and consider any written Requests for Dispensations**
Cllr Doug Smith declared an NPI against item 7.2.3 and signed the Register of Interest book

6. **To welcome Police Crime Commissioner Mr John Campion; Herefordshire Council representative Mr Bruce Evans, Balfour Beatty representative Mrs Linzy Outtrim, ABE representative Mr Jeff Pryce and PSO Dave Alexander and to consider speeding issues through Stretton Grandison and Eggleton.**

The Chair welcomed the above to the meeting.

The item began with a short media presentation and power-point (made by Mr Richard Crompton) and delivered by Mrs Marjie Evans highlighting the issues experienced by the residents of Stretton Grandison as a result of heavy traffic and speeding issues.

The following comments were made:

Police Crime Commissioner: He is conscious of the impact of speeding on the quality of life of an area and clearly this has not been balanced in Stretton Grandison. The village is the second most enforced site in Herefordshire and the measures are not working as a deterrent. Lots of the measures mentioned have been proven to be successful. He has provided 50% funding to other similar schemes and would be happy to support any final scheme in this way. These schemes are most successful when you have the support of the Local Council and Highways contractor. The PCC reported that he would ensure the latest speeding data was received and forwarded.

Herefordshire Council: Thought the package of measures looked sensible.

Balfour Beatty: The scheme needed drawing up next and giving the Balfour Beatty and Herefordshire Council to cost and approve the viability.

Ward Cllr Lester: The key to this scheme is not just the speed measures but also the resurfacing of the highway. BB and HC need to ensure this is undertaken.

At the end of the discussion the clerk summarised the next steps as follows:

She will draw up the master scheme to send to BB and HC. They will cost and approve this as soon as possible. Once costs are known the clerk will then contact the Police Crime Commissioner and local businesses again to raise the funds needed to put the plan into action.

6 members of the public and all the attendees left the meeting except for Ward Cllr Lester.

4. **To approve the minutes of the meeting held on the 8th July 2019**
The minutes were APPROVED and duly signed by the Chair.

5. **To receive a brief report from the Ward Councillor – Cllr. Jonathan Lester**
Cllr Lester's report included the following items:

- Complaints had been received about the traffic usage of the C1153. Did the PC have anything to add? *The PC are aware of the issue and it has been raised with BB on previous occasions.* It was AGREED that this item should be raised again with BB but as a separate issue to item 3.

- The Cabinet decision to "pause" any works on the Southern Link By-pass and Hereford Transport Package had been taken to the Scrutiny Committee. They had recommended that more consultation on this decision should take place and that it should take place whilst both progress rather than being "paused".

6. Public participation session for local residents to raise matters relevant to the parish council

The following item was raised:

- The corner on the B4214 by Stanley Hill has had 4 accidents recently. It was AGREED that the clerk would contact Balfour Beatty about the possibility of better signage.

7. Planning

7.1 To note any planning applications approved/refused by Herefordshire Council since the last meeting

The following table was NOTED

<u>DATE</u>	<u>APPLICATION NUMBER</u>	<u>DESCRIPTION</u>	<u>PC COMMENT</u>	<u>HFD COUNCIL DECISION</u>
Jan 2019 & MAY 2019	184529	Land East of Pullens Cottage, Lower Eggleton, HR8 2UJ - Proposed erection of 1 no dwelling	Support	Approved with conditions
Jan 2019	184528	Town Farm Poultry Unit, Castle Frome, Ledbury - Erection of rural workers dwelling with detached garage and sewage treatment plant	Support	Approved with conditions
25 MAR 2019	190739	Land adjacent to The Willows, Canon Frome -- Proposed new dwelling and garage.	Support	Approved with conditions
13 MAY 2019	191412	Land South of Yew Tree Farm, Fromes Hill - Proposed residential dwelling south of Yew Tree Farmhouse	Support	Refused
13 MAY 2019	191413	Land West Yew Tree Farm, Fromes Hill, Proposed residential dwelling	Support	Refused
8 JULY 2019	192049	Lower House, Canon Frome, HR8 2TG Work done on trees with TPO that were dangerous to public and footpath and residents of Canon Frome Court. Remedial work on stumps left on trees. Approx 12 in number. These trees were cut and now need remedial work to make good	Comment	Consent granted
8 JULY 2019	191897	Lower House, Canon Frome, HR8 2TG Proposed two storey and single storey extension to 'The Stables' conference/meeting venue.	Support	Approved with conditions

7.2 To consider any new planning applications for determination by Herefordshire Council.

7.2.1 191548 - Dutch barn at Woodcroft Farm, Bosbury, Ledbury, APPEAL

Notification for prior approval for a proposed change of use of an agricultural building to a single larger dwellinghouse (Class C3) and for associated operational development.

It was RESOLVED to support this application

7.2.2 192758 - Old Birchend, Bosbury, Ledbury, Herefordshire HR8 1HF

The retention and alteration of a fence and the retention of a pergola (Retrospective)

It was RESOLVED to support this application

7.2.3 192901 - St Lawrences Church, Stretton Grandison, Ledbury, Herefordshire HR8 2TW

Juniper (T1) - Fell as dying and in poor condition

It was RESOLVED to support this application with the request that the tree is replaced.

7.2.4 192959 - Pool House, Fromes Hill, Ledbury, Herefordshire HR8 1HW

Proposed detached garage/studio outbuilding.

It was RESOLVED to support this application

8. **NDP****8.1 To receive an update on the next steps**

The clerk REPORTED that the next NDP meeting would be held on the 18th September. At this meeting the housing allocation for the Draft NDP would be agreed and taken to a Parish Council meeting for approval. This would then allow the plan to move to Regulation 14 consultation stage. The clerk REPORTED that she had closed off the last grant and £604.82 needed repaying. It was RESOLVED to make this repayment and the cheque was signed. It was AGREED that the clerk would now apply for the next grant.

9. **Finance****9.1 Confirmation of bank balances and note and sign finance report – Appendix 1**

The clerk REPORTED that there had been little change in finances over the summer and that the PC was slightly underspent against budget at the 6 month mark. The report was APPROVED and was signed by the Chair, along with the bank statements as evidence of budget monitoring and bank reconciliation.

9.2 To consider invoices for payment

9.2.1 Clerks expenses £15.10 (Previously circulated)

9.2.2 Clerks salary for August and September

9.2.3 HMRC £185.40

It was RESOLVED to approve all the above invoices for payment and the cheques were signed.

9.3 To consider renewing annual insurance and updating if appropriate £280

It was AGREED that the insurance summary was still adequate for the coming year and the cheque was signed.

9.4 To receive an update on the Poorland Meadow Trust

It was REPORTED that due to the time lapsed the application for a new account would have to be redone.

10. **To consider an update on faster broadband in Canon Frome.**

It was REPORTED that there is a meeting on the 17th September to discuss how "Airband" are going to roll out fibre to parishioners.

11. **Highways and footpaths****11.1 To consider any highway or footpath issues for reporting to Balfour Beatty**

It was REPORTED that there are trees on the A4103 at Fromes Hill that need cutting back. The clerk will log this with BB.

11.2 To receive an update on the gates across the footpath in Lower Eggleton

The clerk REPORTED that the enforcement officer was monitoring the situation but at present there was nothing to report. The clerk will REQUEST that the locality steward meet with Cllr Pudge to clarify the situation.

11.3 To consider the white lines on highways around the parishes

It was RESOLVED that the clerk should log the lack of white lines on the highway at the bottom of Fromes Hill and on the sharp bend on Stanley Hill.

12. **To consider any outstanding actions and updates**

None

13. **Correspondence****13.1 To consider any correspondence received by the clerk**

None

14. **To consider any items for the next agenda – no discussion**

Updated Finance Regulations; PLWB; Lottery Community Fund Application

15. **To note the date of the next meeting – Monday 11th November 2019 at 7.30pm**

Noted

The meeting closed at 9.10pm

Signed: _____

Dated: _____

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