



KING'S STANLEY PARISH COUNCIL

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MINUTES OF MEETING OF KING'S STANLEY PARISH COUNCIL held in the Lounge Room of King's Stanley Village Hall on **Wednesday 27th January** at 8.00pm.

Present: Cllrs Sandra Adams, Jamie Burke, John Graham, David Hauser (Chairman), Wendy McNamee, David Owen, Symon Parsley and Lesley Williams.

Also present Cllrs Nigel Studdert-Kennedy, Steve Lydon, and Dorcas Binns, Frances Ashfield – Parish Clerk,, Josh Newlove (Brunsdon Yard Development), residents - Jean Edwards, John Gunnell, Barbara Hale and AN Other

Present for the agenda item 1/16 – public time: Barbara Hale, John Gunnell. Jean Edwards and AN Other

1/16 **Public time**

Residents brought up issues relating to the condition of the footpaths alongside the Greens in Castle Street and highlighted the issue of grass growing onto the paths. *Cllrs advised that solutions to these problems were still being sought by the PC.* Parking on The Green by Crown Court was also discussed. *Cllrs advised that another letter was being sent to residents and that barrier options had been looked at with the possibility of installing something in the near future.*

2/16 **To receive apologies for absence - None**

3/16 **To receive Declarations of Interest on items in the agenda - None**

4/16 **To approve the Minutes from the Parish Council meeting held on Wednesday 25th November 2015** – Minutes were approved and signed

5/16 **To receive updates/reports from the County and District Councillors**

Cllr Binns reported that a 1.99% increase in the council tax budget was likely and an additional 2% which would be ringfenced for adult care. Alternatives in care provision were being looked at with prevention to becoming ill a key consideration. The meals on wheels contract had been awarded to a new provider with no increase in costs for meals this year.

Cllr Studdert-Kennedy reported that formal negotiations were going ahead re Ridgers Cottage, Woodside Lane – stop notice still extant. Little Foxes in enforcement re water flowing from the property. Budget meeting to agree SDC budget will be held on 28th January.

Cllr Lydon reported that the CC meeting could now be viewed live on web. Changes to be made re business rates. Planning: Greenstiles site in LS had been rejected, Village Green application decision expected in March. Mankley Road development had chosen a new name of Sandford Close, with first occupants in April and completed by September. No new on Stanley Mill. Currently 450 extant planning applications in Stroud. SDC has no jurisdiction over them. Reports of SDC selling off Sub Rooms, Stratford Park etc aren't true.

Cllr Parsley was concerned that trees had been cut down in a nearby field to his land which affected flooding in his fields. Chris Utley had apologised and admitted residents/PC should have been consulted prior to work being carried out.

6/16 **Financial Issues:**

i) To receive the finance report and authorise payments in accordance with the RFO report - *Payments were authorised and cheques signed in accordance with invoices*

ii) To receive the draft finance/asset plan and agree recommendations

Cllr Hall presented a paper recommending that funding for replacement of capital assets needs to be addressed when looking at annual budget setting. Normal accounting should take into account any depreciation of assets. Also if elections were contested this year then the PC would be charged £1,500 for the cost of the administration of an election, which needs to be budgeted for.

Cllrs were concerned at the large amount suggested for replacement costs and suggested that the asset register be updated and that a 5 year business plan be put in place, with a group set up to produce the plan. Cllr Hall was thanked for his work in producing the paper and recommendations.

iii) To receive the draft budget for 2016/17 and agree final precept

The recommendation that the precept be raised to £25,579.00, which is the equivalent to £5.50 per household, was accepted. Agreed £3,000.00 to be added to contingency and parish projects which could go towards the cost of pavement repairs on The Green and Ryeford Bridge footpath.

iv) To appoint internal auditor for 2016 – Agreed that Iain Selkirk be appointed

v) To receive quote for the grass cutting contract for 2016 - Cllrs were advised that the quote from TW Hawkins showed an increase of £2.00 per cut this year. Cllrs accepted the quote as it hadn't increased for 2 years.

7/16 **Planning:**

i) To receive and comment on planning applications received

- S.15/2590/OUT Brunsdon Yard, Ryeford Rd South – Outline Planning for single storey retail development and car parking. This application was discussed at length and questions were answered by Josh Newlove who represented the developer. On balance, *Cllrs voted in favour* of the development with the proviso that a gate to the development be added and locked at the close of business, a bridge be installed over the stream and footpath/cycle track access be available to the site. Concerns about flooding on the site and surrounding areas should also be taken into account.
- S.16/0008/HHOLD Sunrays, Castle Street – Two storey extension – *No observations*
- S16/0024 Ramona, Shute Street – Two storey extension - *No observations*
- S.15/10504/FUL and 0109/LBC – Mill House Peaked Elm Farm – conversion of agricultural building to dwelling and addition of bat box – no material change to the application made in 2015, and as such there are no further comments to the application originally supported.
- S.15/2820/COU 12 Castle Mead - Retrospective change of use to a childminding business for over 6 children. - It was felt that the application to change use to a nursery for 'more than 6 children should be resisted, as it creates parking problems and is in an inappropriate location. Many residents in the vicinity are retired, and there are issues about noise. *Cllrs were minded to object to this application.*
- S16/0107/HOLD Weavers Cottage, Old Church Lane. *No observation*
- Appeal against a breach of planning control relating to non-compliance of conditions re S.13/1834/FUL and a stop notice – Cllrs agreed not to send in a response as they didn't feel there was sufficient technical knowledge to make an informed response to the appellant's grounds of appeal

ii) To receive outcome of applications already responded to

S.15/ 2128/COU Beaumont – change from agricultural land to residential land – *Permission*

S.15/2443/HHOLD Kozy Cottage – single storey garden room – *Permission*

S.15/2373/FUL Land at 27 Daffodils – Detached house, garage and parking. New single bay to 27 – *Permission*

S.15/2459/69/VAR 1 Daffodil Leaze – replacement playbarn and change windows – *Permission*

S.15/1417/OUT Land parcel east of Severn Waters LS - Outline planning for 44 houses and nursery – *Refusal*

iii) To consider new name for Woodside Development – Cllrs thought links to a field name might be appropriate. To be discussed further at future meeting.

iv) To consider response to Eastington Consultation document – agreed to defer to next meeting

8/16 **Highways related issues:**

i) To consider action to be taken re The Green and the pavements on either side of the Green by Crown Court and Castle Street

It was agreed that a letter be sent out to residents near the Green advising them of imminent action if parking continues on the Green.

Definitive answer on ownership of pavements is required. Quotes for pavement repairs need to be sought.

9/16 **To receive the Clerk's Report and outstanding actions**

The Clerk's report was distributed prior to the meeting. It highlighted that much of the past 2 months had been spent on budget setting and following up emails.

10/16 **Councillors Submissions** (for notice of forthcoming events or reminders, not for discussion)

- Cllr Hall reported that he had attended a very useful Planning Training session and had been impressed by the level of professionalism displayed by other parish councillors on the course. He had found the information on 106/CIL very useful.
- Cllr Adams reported that the newly formed Selsley Community Group was very active and had several sub-groups taking on issues such as Highways and preparation of a welcome pack for new residents. The secretary had put together residents' email addresses so information could be sent out easily. The Highways sub-group had joined the walkabout around Selsley with the Highways Manager on Monday 25th January to look at issues highlighted in the audit. A quiz night with pie and chips was booked for 22nd February.
- Cllr Williams offered to ask Scott Tompkins to a future meeting of the PC

11/16 **Parish Council meetings:**

Next Parish Council meeting to be held on **Wednesday February 24th** at 7.30pm in the Lounge Room of the Village Hall.

There being no further business, the meeting finished at 10.00pm

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