

**Minutes of Stoke Albany Parish Council Meeting Held on Tuesday 6th January 2015 at
8.00 pm in the Village Hall**

Present:

Councillors: D Benson, B Squires, J Wallace, V Green

Clerk: Leigh Parkin

Minute No.		ACTION
1	Apologies: Cllr D Small. Cllr D Howes – Kettering Borough Councillor and Cllr A Matthews – Northamptonshire County Councillor also sent their apologies.	
2	Approve and sign the minutes of the meetings of 2nd December 2014 It was RESOLVED that the minutes be signed as a correct record. Proposed by Cllr Green and seconded by Cllr Wallace – Agreed.	
3	Matters Arising: Minute 12.1/Dec 14 - Cllr Green attended the Northants CALC 'Off to a flying start' training course and found it very useful.	
4	Declarations of Interest: None.	
5	Representations from Members of the Public	
5.1	An email had been received from a resident reporting the intermittent failure of the street light in Green Lane. This fault has been reported to Kettering Borough Council (KBC).	
5.2	An email had been received from a resident requesting that the road between Stoke Albany and Ashley villages can be gritted in icy conditions as it is treacherous leading to a number of cars coming off the road. An email with this request has been sent to NCC (Northamptonshire Count Council). In addition it was Agreed to contact the Clerk at Ashley Parish Council to request that they make the same request.	Clerk
5.3	Two emails had been received from residents asking about the improvement of broadband in the village.	
6	Planning:	
6.1	(For information only) KET/2014/0755 – Mr Winfield – The Old Stables, Desborough Road, Stoke Albany – Full Application: Replacement roof: Erection of garden office. KBC has approved this planning application.	
6.2	(For information only) KET/2014/0675 – Mr Kempe – The White Horse Inn – Application for Listed Building Consent: Replacement roof: Corrugated metal to thatch – KBC has approved this planning application.	
6.3	KET/2014/0875 – Mr Boss Peter Brett Associates – Desborough Airfield, Desborough Road, Stoke Albany – Environmental Statement Scoping Opinion: Proposed 49MW Solar photovoltaic farm and ancillary control and transformer building. It was Agreed that an extension to comment on this application will be requested until after the February Parish Council meeting.	

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<p>7</p> <p>7.1</p> <p>7.2</p> <p>7.3</p> <p>7.4</p> <p>7.5</p> <p>7.6</p> <p>7.7</p> <p>7.8</p> <p>7.9</p> <p>7.10</p>	<p>Surveys/Questionnaires/Meetings</p> <p>NCC Public Consultation regarding 2014 Demography Needs Assessment – Noted.</p> <p>NCC Public Consultation Draft Budget and Council Plan Consultation – Noted.</p> <p>NCC Public Consultation regarding School Admission arrangements for September 2016 (Oversubscription criteria and published admission numbers) – Noted.</p> <p>NCC Public Consultation regarding Pharmaceutical Needs Assessment (PNA) – Noted.</p> <p>NCC Public Consultation regarding Statutory Marriage and Civil Partnership registrations: revised delivery locations – Noted.</p> <p>Northants CALC Digital by Default Crash Course – Wednesday 18th February 2015, 10.30am, Saxon Hall Raunds. No Councillors are available to attend.</p> <p>Northants CALC Rights of Way and the Definitive Map Training Course – 15th April 2015 – Mr D Hull, Footpath Warden, booked to attend (cost £45.00)</p> <p>KBC Budget Consultation Meeting – Thursday 22nd January 2015, 7pm, Council Chamber, Municipal Offices, Bowling Green Road, Kettering. Cllr Squires is planning to attend this meeting.</p> <p>KBC Polling Place and Polling District Review – Noted.</p> <p>NCC Public Consultation regarding Mental Health Care Act 2014 – Noted.</p>	
<p>8</p> <p>8.1</p> <p>8.2</p>	<p>Bus Shelters, Seats & BMX Track</p> <p>Cllr Squires has undertaken an inspection of the bus shelters, seats and BMX track and reported that they are all in good condition except for the bus shelter opposite the White Horse Public House on the Ashley Road/Harborough Road which is showing signs of wear (Minute 13/May 14).</p> <p>Ashley/Harborough Road Bus Shelter</p> <p>The approved s.171 Licence has been received from Northamptonshire County Council (NCC). Cllr Benson has contacted the contractor who has confirmed work to remove the bus shelter will commence at the end of January 2015.</p> <p>Commemorative Oak Tree</p> <p>Cllr Squires continues to monitor the tree.</p>	
<p>9</p>	<p>Broadband</p> <p>Cllr Benson reported that the Parish Council has been approached by Gigaclear about putting an advert into the next Parish Council newsletter. Cllr Benson proposed that he contact Gigaclear and suggest that a joint leaflet between Gigaclear and the Parish Council is put together which Gigaclear pay for and the Parish Council distributes. This was Agreed by the Parish Council. Cllr Benson is to contact Gigaclear.</p> <p>It was noted that Ashley Village has signed an agreement with BT but that this option requires a lump sum investment from the Village. Gigaclear are asking for a connection fee per household and a guaranteed percentage take up of their services in order to go ahead.</p> <p>Cllr Benson is to ask Gigaclear for references from other Villages that have taken up their service.</p>	<p>DB</p> <p>DB</p>

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	<p>Council Resolved to Agree the Stoke Albany Parish Council budget for 2015/16 (Proposed by Cllr Benson and seconded by Cllr Squires).</p> <p>Following discussion the Parish Council Resolved to Agree the level of precept of £3,000 for the financial year 2015-16 (Proposed by Cllr Benson and seconded by Cllr Wallace).</p>	
<p>13 13.1</p>	<p>Pocket Park Quote(s) to relay the hedge and coppice the trees – The three quotes received to coppice the trees in the Pocket Park and relay the hedge were considered. It was Agreed (Proposed by Cllr Benson and seconded by Cllr Wallace) that the work is to be undertaken by Trees at Heart Ltd. The Clerk is to contact the company and request that the work is undertaken during the current financial year.</p>	Clerk
<p>14 14.1 14.2 14.3 14.4 14.5 14.6 14.7</p>	<p>Correspondence: The below detailed correspondence was noted:</p> <p>Northants CALC eUpdate November 2014 In Northamptonshire December 2014 Superfast Northamptonshire Newsletter 14 KBC Work Programme December Update Came & Company – Managing Seasonal Issues Changes to NCC Household Waste Recycling Centres from 1st February 2015 Northants CALC email: No capping / Transparency Code for Smaller Authorities</p>	
<p>15 15.1 15.2</p>	<p>Exchange of Information: Finger post – It was noted that the directional fingerpost has been replaced. The Parish Council is to thank Northamptonshire Highways. Cllr Green raised concern about the speed of traffic along Lower Road, Stoke Albany. It was noted that speed restrictions would be difficult to put in place as the road is not lit.</p> <p>Cllr Benson thanked everybody for attending the meeting.</p>	Clerk
15	<p>Date of Next Meeting and Agenda Items: It was noted that the next meeting will be held on Tuesday 3rd February 2015, 8.00pm.</p> <p>Cllr Wallace and Cllr Green gave their apologies for the next Parish Council meeting.</p>	
	The meeting closed at 9:50 pm	

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