

Stanton-upon-Hine Heath Parish Council

Minutes of a Meeting of the Stanton-upon-Hine Heath Parish Council held on Tuesday, 10th February 2015 at 7.30 p.m. in the Stanton Village Hall, Booley Lane, Stanton.

PRESENT: Cllr's Simon Chapple, Claire Crackett, Derek Fildes, Jackie Knight, Nuria Gray, Ashley Orme and Chas Warren.

Also in attendance: two members of the public and the Parish Clerk.
In the Chair: Cllr Simon Chapple.

Action

024.15 Apologies for Absence

Apologies for absence had been received from Cllr Sharon McLaughlin and Shropshire Cllr Karen Calder.

025.15 Disclosable Pecuniary Interests

Resolved: to note that no Disclosable Pecuniary Interests were received on any item included on the agenda in accordance with Sections 50-52, Local Government Act 2000 and The Local Authorities (Model Code of Conduct) (England) Act 2001.

Members agreed to include the following additional item;

025a.15 Public Participation

Mr & Mrs Dee explained the problems experienced by many delivery drivers in locating properties in the village due to there being only two postcodes for the whole of the village. On numerous occasions they had been stopped and asked for directions. They had seen in other villages a large scale map displayed in a wall mounted display cabinet in the centre of the village showing all the street names and house names/numbers. After discussion it was;

Proposed: Cllr Simon Chapple

Seconded: Cllr Ashley Orme

Resolved: to display an A2 map of the village in a sealed wall mounted display cabinet showing all street names and property names/numbers with an indication on the map showing 'Your are here'. Members agreed to find a suitable location for this.

Parish Clerk

All Cllr's

026.15 Planning

026.15.1 Current Planning Applications

Action

New Planning Applications published on 02/02/2015 relating to parish of: Stanton Upon Hine Heath

Reference: 14/05220/PMBPA (validated: 02/02/2015)

Address: Barn Adjacent, Mannings Farm, Hazles Road, Shawbury, Shrewsbury, Shropshire, SY4 4ET

Proposal: Application for Prior Approval under Part 3, Class MB of the Town & County Planning (General Permitted Development) (Amendment & Consequential Provisions) (England) Order 2014 for the Change of Use from Agricultural Use to 3 Residential dwellings.

Applicant: Mr Roger Pinches (Castle Farm, Moreton Corbet, Shrewsbury, SY4 4DW)

Resolved: to object to the application on the following grounds;

Parish Clerk

Inappropriate development for the locality.

Converting an agricultural building to residential development in an isolated rural location.

026.15.2 Schedule of additional planning applications

There were no additional planning applications received after the date of publication of this agenda for consideration due to response time frames set by Shropshire Council.

027.15 Budget/Precept 2015/2016

Members were asked to consider the budget for the financial year 2015/16 and to set a precept for the financial year 2015/16.

Members noted the estimated balance sheet for the financial year ending 31st March 2015.

Cllr Chas Warren asked for the latest news on whether Shropshire Council were going to pass on to parish councils any of the Government Support Grant. Both the Chairman and Parish Clerk confirmed that after receiving correspondence from Shropshire Cllr Karen Calder this was not going to happen.

In that correspondence she had stated that Shropshire Council still had to find £80 million savings and it is very difficult. They have intense pressure on our adults and children's budgets, amongst others, but these are the critical two. They have a higher than national average ageing population.

Action

By not passing on the local Government grant this is in the simplest terms £500k they do not have to find from either of those two budgets. They had made savings in the past without really anyone noticing, it could be said that they were not savings but cutting out waste, hence that they were not noticed. They did not make the recommendation lightly and it will go to full council in February for the decision. They reluctantly have to ask that Town and Parish councils take their share of the weight we are carrying.

Members then went through each budget heading and proposed figures as presented by the parish clerk. It was agreed to add two new headings; Grant to the Rivers Action Group £300 and Minor Highways Maintenance £700. All other figures were accepted.

Although Members considered a zero percentage increase in the precept, due to the loss of the Government Support Grant and Minor Highways Maintenance Grant and to maintain present services they already provide for the parish, it was agreed that there would have to be an increase in the precept.

Proposed: Cllr Claire Crackett

Seconded: Cllr Chas Warren

Resolved: to agree a budget and precept of £9185.

Parish Clerk

A breakdown of these figures are attached to these minutes.

There being no further business, the Chairman declared the meeting closed at 20.22 p.m.

Signed

Date

Chairman