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STOKE GIFFORD PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE FULL COUNCIL MEETING

Held on Tuesday, 10th January 2023 at 19:00

at Little Stoke Community Hall, Little Stoke Lane, Bristol, BS34 6HR

EMERGENCY PROCEDURE

In the event of a fire all those present should leave the building calmly, breaking a fire alarm panel on the way out, and assemble on the far side of the car park at the assembly point.

Attendees are reminded to either switch off or make silent their mobile phones.

PRESENT:

Cllrs E Brown [Chair], D Addison, B Allinson, S Bandcroft, M Brown, J Henshaw, A Hyde, P Reich and A Shore.

In attendance was J Rendell (Parish Clerk) and four local residents.

1	Welcome and apologies for absence. The Chair, Councillor Ernie Brown welcomed all present to the meeting. Apologies received from Councillors Trevor Jones and David Pembury.	
2	To receive notification of any member's personal or prejudicial interest. <ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ Councillor Ernie Brown declared he is on South Gloucestershire Planning Committee, Avon & Fire Authority.▪ Councillor David Addison declared he is Chair of the Stoke Gifford Trust Committee.▪ Councillor Sue Bandcroft declared she is the Chair of Forty Acres recreational space.▪ Councillor Tony Hyde declared he is Secretary of Stoke Gifford Retirement Village, Residents Association, Ex-officio member of the Extra Care Charitable Trust.▪ Councillor Pauline Reich is a member of the Trust Committee.	

<p>3</p>	<p>Public Session [Maximum of 15 minutes, up to 3 minutes per person]</p> <p>Four residents were in attendance.</p> <p>A local resident is concerned as Bus drivers have started to carry out changeovers on Gypsy Patch Way (between Stoker’s pub and traffic lights) causing traffic congestion. Bristol Parkway train station seemed to be the safest most practical location for all driver changeovers. Councillor Andrew Shore informed the resident the bus company Stagecoach have contacted SGC recently regarding a proposed layby for drivers to carry out changeovers going forward.</p> <p>A local resident was pleased to learn the Metro bus route is due to be published this week.</p> <p>A local resident thanked the Council ground staff who have recently carried out extensive work to the hedgerow within Meade Park, along Hatchett Road. The work to the hedge has made a big difference to the appearance and should help with future annual works carried out by an external contractor (with flail) to the hedge along the main road. The Parish Clerk will pass on thanks to the grounds team. With the vacant grounds position now filled by Martyn Rendell, and qualified staff the Clerk informed members and the public we plan to be able to carry out more works in-house which will prevent the need for external contractors as and where necessary. The staff qualifications only allow cross cutting at ground level so contractors will be required for larger projects.</p> <p>Councillor Dave Addison believes the parish should look into the purchase of a chipper now we are able to carry out this work ensuring we are able to dispose of all green waste. The Sort-It centres are no longer taking the green waste which has a big knock-on effect with the tree work in the parish. Parish Clerk will liaise with grounds staff and look into the cost for a chipper hire and also the outright purchase. Storage of the equipment could also be a concern.</p> <p>A local resident has heard the green waste bin for all households across South Gloucestershire is due to increase in April 2023, possibly by double. Members aren’t aware of any increase but would expect any information on price changes to be distributed accordingly.</p> <p>Councillor Ernie Brown informed members that due to the recent wet weather the ground is very soft at Meade Park and the mobile Café unit is leaving tyre marks as they turn and leave site on the days of trade. Parish Clerk has talked to the owner about it and meeting on site later in the week to discuss the way forward ensuring that no maintenance works are required due to the café unit being on site. The service being offered is a popular one and council are keen to ensure the area isn’t damaged any further. Installation of matting and bark were recommendations to help through the winter months at the cost of the business owner.</p>	<p>Clerk contacted Steve Reade for info.</p> <p>Clerk to pass on to staff.</p> <p>Clerk to monitor green debris and chipper costs.</p>
<p>4</p>	<p>To approve the minutes of the last Full Council meeting dated Tuesday 8th November 2022.</p> <p>Minutes of the Full Council meeting held on 8th November 2022 were proposed for acceptance by Councillor Sue Bandcroft and seconded by Councillor Dave Addison, proposal carried. Minutes were signed by the Chair of the meeting as a correct record.</p>	

5	<p>To approve the expenditure and general accounts for December 2022.</p> <p>The Parish Clerk tabled financial correspondence for December 2022 which included the Co-operative general account (Cashbook 1) Payments totalling £27,005.34, Income £10,488.43, with a cash book balance of £377,237.71.</p> <p>Council noted the expenditure and bank balance for the accounts for December 2022 which were proposed by Councillor Dave Addison, seconded by Councillor Tony Hyde, unanimously carried.</p>	
6	<p>To receive updates from Parish Council Committees and to consider expenditure as required relating to budgets/external funding.</p> <p><u>Finance</u> Nothing further to add.</p> <p><u>Recreation and Leisure.</u></p> <p>The dead tree overhanging the public right of way along Gallivan Fields was taken down two days after being reported, just before the festive break.</p> <p>SGPC continue to manage the dead trees in the parish and remove them in order of priority. All works are planned to fall within the allocated tree budget.</p> <p><u>Planning and Transportation.</u></p> <p>Councillor Andrew Shore confirmed the The new M4 metrobus service will be starting on the 22nd January, connecting Cribbs Causeway to Little Stoke, Stoke Gifford, Bristol Parkway, UWE and the City Centre.</p> <p>Lots of negative comments from local residents regarding the bus service in the local area, lateness cancellations and no shows.</p> <p>The Crest development continues to take shape with another access point opening recently.</p> <p>SGPC have received in the region of 16 planning applications since early December and through the festive period, causing the parish to call an Extra P&T meeting to discuss the outstanding planning applications within the time scales given.</p>	
7	<p>To discuss and comment on current South Gloucestershire Council Consultations.</p> <p>Nothing new to report.</p>	
8	<p>To receive updates from South Gloucestershire Council Members within the parish of Stoke Gifford.</p> <p>None.</p>	
9	<p>To receive Planning applications from South Gloucestershire Council.</p> <p>No Planning applications to review. Next meeting will be 24th January 2023.</p>	

10	<p>To receive briefing from SGC on Persistent Organic Pollutants (POP's)</p> <p>Parish Clerk tabled the briefing note for members information. The purpose of the briefing is to provide an up to date on the latest regulatory position for the disposal of waste containing POP's namely Brominate Flame Retardants principally used in stuffed furniture and soft furnishings.</p> <p>And to provide a forecast of the likely financial pressure and impacts on South Gloucestershire waste services because of the changes to the processing of this material.</p>	
11	<p>Any other business relevant to this committee.</p> <p>Cllr E Brown – the Café hire costs have recently been increased as of April 1st, 2023. The new agreement will cover a 12-month period and be discussed again in 2024. The rental has increased, and officers have arranged for a SMART meter reader to be fitted so the Café owner can pay for the electricity being used whilst monitoring exact usage within a dedicated time of opening. The council staff can then monitor closely ensuring other groups using the Café won't interfere with the Café utilities bill.</p>	Clerk ordered equipment 11 th January.
11	<p>CONFIDENTIAL ITEMS.</p> <p>To resolve, by the nature of the sensitivity of items to exclude the press and public [<i>Public Bodies Admissions to Meeting</i>].</p>	
12	<p>Date of next meeting:</p> <p>Tuesday 14th February 2023 at 19:00 at Little Stoke Community Hall.</p>	

Meeting closed 20:05

Signed: _____

E Brown (Chair) On behalf of Stoke Gifford Parish Council

Date: _____