STONE PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Meeting of the Parish Council held onTuesday 10th March 2015at Stone Manor Hotel

Present:	Cllrs. J Arbuthnott (Chairman) Mrs. D Bird, G Higgs, R Hobson, Mrs J Siviter, Mrs E Hyde, J Jordan, R Wignall.
In attendance:	Mrs S P Bamford (Clerk) 4 members of the public.

1. Apologies:

Apologies were received from Cllr. M Gough and Dist.Cllr. M Hart. The reasons for absence were approved.

2. Declarations of Interest: None

3. Minutes:

The Minutes of the meeting held on the 13th January 2015 were approved and signed as a correct record.

4. A Presentation was given by Sue Laffey on soldiers from Stone Parish who served in the first World War.

5. Progress Reports:

(a) <u>Police Report</u> Reports have been circulated PC Sarah Brookes gave a short talk.

(b) Lengthsman's Scheme

Heath Lane – scrape moss off footpath Dunclent Lane – 2 diverts and 1 outfall Stanklyn Lane - Clear 4 grips, 3 gullies before bend, 39 grips on Stanklyn Lane to Parish Boundary and 2 outfalls. Heath Lane – clear 12 gully tops Stanklyn Lane – clear leaves off footpath Podmore Lane – Check 38 grips, 2 gullies by Plough, and outfalls by Plough. Heath Lane - Finish clearing moss on footpath Heath Lane/Stanklyn Lane – clear outfall and gully on junction Witch Lane – 8 gullies, 6 grips and dig out ditch to 6 grips between Holly Cottage and Podmore Lane. Stanklyn Lane - Clear 4 grips, side out footpath Heath Lane – side out footpath Butts Lane/Stanklyn Lane -5 gully tops and 4 grips. Barrs Lane signs Heath Lane – Clear 17 gully tops Podmore Lane – 38 grips cleared, 2 gullies and outfalls by Plough. Witch Lane – Check 8 gullies, 6 grips and clear ditches. A450 – Start siding out footpath near Barrs Lane.

(c) Parish Footpaths - No report

6. Items requiring decisions

a. Churchyard Grant

A discussion was held regarding payment for financial year 2015/2016. £185 to be received from Wyre Forest District Council, balance of £565 to be met from Parish funds. RESOLVED total of £750 to be paid to St. Mary's Church, Stone.

7. Items for Information:

- a. Planning Regulations These were discussed at some length.
- **b.** Damage to the verges on Curslow Lane HGV's coming from the Trading estate are still causing damage. Cllr. S Williams to be contacted.
- c. Chairman's Meeting A comprehensive report was given.
- **d.** Wyre Forest Joint Forum 19th March. Cllr. J. Arbuthnott to attend.
- e. Car **Parking on verge at end of Barrs Lane** This matter has now been resolved.
- f. Poor condition of road surfaces on Butts Lane and Witch Lane following road works.

AGREED letter to be sent to Worcestershire County Council Highways Department, requesting that the council be notified when the works are to be completed to ensure they are to the Council's satisfaction.

8. District and County Council Matters and CALC

Reports were given. Cllr. R Hobson gave a report on the Ethics and Standards Meeting.

9. Financial Report and Payment of Accounts

(a)	Bank Balance	£ 6,407.36
(a) (b)	Accounts for payment RESOLVED that the following accounts be paid: Technacryl Bank Charges Westcotec D Sireshuk S P Bamford – January salary Service charges S P Bamford – February Salary	£17.78 0.75 £96.00 £286.00 £313.06 £1.15 £313.26
	D Sireshuk Total payments	£318.50 £1,346.50

10. Road Accident Report – No accidents

11. Planning and Development Control:

a. To note decisions on applications previously considered: None

b. To consider any new applications received by the date of meeting:

15/0104/FULL – Construction for 2 detached garages at Church View and Manor View, Stone – *No objections*

c. Applications previously considered:

15/0095/FULL – alterations to existing roof including dormer to form an additional 6 bedroom spaces, external fire escape staircase and single storey extension to front and rear to form additional bedrooms at Shenstone House residential Care Home, Shenstone – *No objections*

15/0033/TREE. – remove pendulous branch of a Douglas Fir to vertical branch at approx. 4m at Stone Manor Hotel, Stone – *No objections.*

d. Compliance or enforcement issues: None

12. Clerk's Report

Details of Moon Mission were read out.

13. Councillors Reports and Items for future agendas.

- a. A pothole was reported on Stanklyn Lane.
- b. A complaint has been received regarding Refuse Bins being left in wrong positions after emptying
- c. litter picking is not being carried out properly.

14. Date of next meeting

Tuesday 12th May Annual Meeting of the Parish Council at 7.30 pm at the Parish Room, Stone.

There being no further business the meeting closed at 8.55pm.

Signed.....Chairman

12th May 2015.

Notes on Public Question Time

The problem of litter was raised