

## STONE PARISH COUNCIL

### Minutes of the Meeting of the Parish Council held on Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> July 2014 at the Parish Room, Stone

**Present:** Cllrs. J Arbuthnott (Chairman) Mrs. D Bird, G Higgs,  
R Hobson, Mrs J Siviter, Mrs E Hyde and R Wignall.

**In attendance:** Ms S P Bamford (Clerk)  
2 members of the public

**1. Apologies:**

Apologies were received from Cllr.J Jordan. The reason for absence was approved.

**2. Declarations of Interest:** None

**3. Minutes:** The Minutes of the meeting held on the 27<sup>th</sup> May 2014 were approved and signed as a correct record.

**4. Progress Reports:**

(a) Police Report

Reports have been circulated. PC Phillip Green was in attendance and gave a brief update on Police matters in the parish.

(b) Lengthsman's Scheme

Stanklyn Lane – side out footway

Heath Lane – Cut overgrowth on corners to Stanklyn Lane to clear view for motorists. Clear 1 outfall and rod pipe inlet on corners and strim verges.

Mustow Green – side out footway

A450 Stone Church – side out footway on corner, clear sign.

It was reported that 2 gulleys need clearing on Dunclent Lane. Lengthsman to action.

(c) Parish Footpaths

A complaint has been received about an overgrown footpath between Stanklyn Lane and Captains Pool. Worcestershire County Council were notified, and the footpath now cleared.

**5. Items requiring decisions**

(a) **Annual Report**

A discussion was held on circulation of Annual Report.  
AGREED to be hand delivered by all Councillors.

**6. Items for Information:**

a. **Bend and Vehicle Activated Signs**

Everything proceeding satisfactorily.

- b. **Temporary Road Closure of Butts Lane**  
Commencing 4<sup>th</sup> August for Severn Trent Water works.
- c. **Hazardous Stones**  
Stones are encroaching onto the road in Shenstone. Worcestershire County Council has been notified and will investigate.
- d. **Churchyard Maintenance**  
A letter of thanks has been received from St. Mary's Church in respect of the recent Grant of £450.

7. **District and County Council Matters and CALC**  
Cllr. Hobson gave a report on the recent CALC meeting.

8. **Financial Report and Payment of Accounts**

(a) **Bank Balance** £5,027.91

(b) **Accounts for payment**

RESOLVED that the following accounts be paid:-

St. Mary's Church, Stone	£450.00
HMRC	£5.40
S P Bamford – May	£307.70
HMRC	£5.60
Aon Insurance	£207.05
D Siresuk - May	£104.00
S P Bamford – June	£307.90
HMRC	£5.40
D Siresuk – June	£104.00

Total payments: £1,394.09

(c) **Audit of Accounts**

The External Auditors. Grant Thornton, have completed the audit of the 2013/2014 accounts.

9. **Road Accident Report.**

No accidents reported.

10. **Planning and Development Control:**

**a. To note decisions on applications previously considered:**

**14/0105/FULL** – Change of use and alteration of existing building to form 5 No additional apartments (8 in total) with associated car parking, access road, entrance with gates and piers at Stone Manor Hotel, Stone *Approved.*

**14/0017/FULL** - Change of use of agricultural land to travelling show people site, including stationing of 4 residential caravans, 6 touring caravans and 1 static caravan along with storage of equipment and vehicles

and associated access, parking and draining works at Heath Lane, Shenstone – *Refused*.

**b. To consider any new applications received by the date of meeting:** *None*

**c. Applications previously considered:**  
**14/0292/FULL** – Single storey rear extension with veranda at Stanklyn House, Stanklyn Lane, Stone – *No objections*.

**d. Compliance or enforcement issues:** *None*

**11. Clerk’s Report**

Notification has been received that a new road sign is to be erected on Shenstone Lane.

**12. Councillors Reports and Items for future agendas.**

- (i) Dog bins on Dunclent Lane
- (ii) Car parked on verge at Worcester Road junction with Butts Lane is a traffic hazard.

**13. Date of next meeting**

Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> September 2014 at 7.30 pm at the Parish Room, Stone.

There being no further business the meeting closed at 8.50 pm

Signed.....

Chairman  
9<sup>th</sup> September 2014

**Notes on Public Question Time**

- 1. It was requested that ragwort be cleared from all lanes and roads in the parish.
- 2. Speeding still taking place along Dunclent Lane. Limit should be reduced to 40 mph.
- 3. Fly tipping has taken place outside Keepers Cottage.