



# Stroud Parish Council

## Minutes of the Meeting of Stroud Parish Council held at Langrish School Hall on Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> of September 2018 at 7.30pm.

**Present:** Cllr D McKinney, Cllr A Burges, Cllr M Snow, Cllr D Paul (arrived at 8pm) & Cllr C Foulston.

**Also Present:** Mrs E Foulston (Clerk & RFO), County Cllr R Oppenheimer & 7 members of the public.

**1.06.18 Apologies for Absence.** Apologies were noted from Cllr O Howe and District Cllr N Drew.

**2.06.18 Declarations of Disclosable Pecuniary Interests.**  
None.

**3.06.18 Comments from the Public or Press.**

A member of the public who is on the Friends of Langrish Pool committee attended the meeting to ask for the Parish Council's support particularly with speaking to CALA Homes regarding potential access to the pool from the new development. This was discussed further under agenda item 7. A public access defibrillator within the village was also discussed and it was agreed that this should be raised with the Village Hall Trustees as the Village Hall would be the best site for this.

**4.06.18 To Receive and Approve the Minutes of the Meeting of the 31<sup>st</sup> of July 2018.**

Subject to one minor amendment, the minutes of the Meeting held on the 31<sup>st</sup> of July 2018 previously circulated were agreed and signed.

**5.06.18 To Discuss Affordable Housing at the Ramsdean Road Development.**

Mark Barnett, Housing Development Manager at East Hampshire District Council gave an update on the affordable housing at the Ramsdean Road development and how people can apply for this. Currently there are only 2 people from Stroud who have registered on the affordable housing list and Mark confirmed that local residents should definitely be encouraged to apply. **It was resolved** that the Parish Council would make representation to SDNPA to request that after local residents had been considered for affordable housing then the next tier to be considered would be residents from the surrounding villages. Further discussion followed regarding how information on the affordable housing register can be communicated to local residents and Mark confirmed that EHDC would be happy to help with links to be put on the website and in the newsletter and also to help with wording for a leaflet to be distributed. EHDC can also support with an event to be held in the village to give out further information on this. One member of the public left the meeting following this agenda item.

**6.06.18. To Discuss Queries Regarding the Ramsdean Road Development.**

A member of the public had raised queries with the Parish Council regarding the new development. One of the queries was regarding construction traffic on the site and it was

confirmed that this had been discussed at SDNPA's planning meeting and would be addressed accordingly. The Parish Council has also requested that the road is kept clear of any debris from the site. Another query related to whether it could be advertised when the final approval notice and any conditions are issued and **it was resolved** that this information would be kept up to date on the Parish Council website but the Council also suggested that residents should keep checking the SDNPA website for further information.

#### **7.06.18 To Discuss Langrish School Swimming Pool.**

Following discussion **it was resolved** that the Parish Council supports the aims of the Friends of Langrish Pool in general and are happy to set up a meeting with the group and CALA Homes to look into potential access to the pool from the new Ramsdean Road development. Further information will then be awaited following meetings between Friends of Langrish Pool and Hampshire County Council.

#### **8.06.18 To Discuss a Project for the 19/20 Financial Year**

Following discussion **it was resolved** that the projects for the upcoming year would be redevelopment of the pedestrian access to the recreation ground and entrance gates at the other end of the village. A member of the public queried whether there was potential for a village shop staffed by volunteers and it was discussed that this could be raised with the Village Hall Trustees to see if there was a possibility that the village hall be used for this.

#### **9.06.18 Annual Report on Payroll Costs.**

The Clerk reported that the payroll costs for 2018/19 were due to be as follows: -

Clerk's net pay - £4,013

HMRC payments - £1,003

Total costs - £5,016

The costs are less than the previous year as the Clerk has reduced her working hours by 1 hour per week.

#### **10.06.18 To Approve the Clerk's Training**

**It was resolved** that the Clerk will attend the following training courses: -

HALC Officer's Update

SLCC Regional Training Seminar

#### **11.06.18 To Approve the Clerk's Holiday Dates.**

**It was resolved** that the Clerk will take a week of annual leave from 12<sup>th</sup> to 18<sup>th</sup> November 2018.

#### **12.06.18. Report on an EHAP&TC Meeting**

Cllr Snow provided an update on a recent meeting of East Hampshire Parish and Town Councils (see attached appendix A). Since the meeting it has been confirmed that Dawn Hamblet has been appointed temporary CEO at Hampshire Association of Local Councils. 4 members of the public left the meeting following this agenda item.

#### **13.06.18 Update on the Recreation Ground**

##### **a) To Sign Off the Recreation Ground Book**

The recreation ground book was signed accordingly by the Chairman. Cllr Snow confirmed that a recent issue with the bin has now been resolved.

#### **14.06.18 Report from District Councillor**

None available.

#### **15.06.18 Report from County Councillor**

See attached appendix (B).

### **16.06.18 Chairman's Report**

None available.

### **17.06.18 Financial Matters**

#### **a) Finance Report**

Balance in accounts: Unity Trust Current account £11,346.63

Unity Trust Deposit account £6,480.81

Money in:

None

Money out:

01/08/18 BACS HMRC Cumbernauld £83.60

01/08/18 BACS Mrs E Foulston £334.44

01/08/18 BACS Steep PCC £30.00

01/08/18 BACS N W Adams £55.80

01/08/18 BACS Mr CP Jenner (MCS) £66.00

09/08/18 BACS Richard Parker £780.00

09/08/18 BACS SLCC £100.00

20/08/18 BACS Mythic Beasts Ltd £30.00

31/08/18 BACS HMRC Cumbernauld £83.60

31/08/18 BACS Mrs E Foulston £351.16

Total payments made and authorised £1,914.60

The Chairman signed the bank statements for the period.

#### **b) Conclusion of External Audit**

The Clerk reported that the External Auditor has confirmed receipt of the Parish Council's exemption certificate and there were no further actions to be taken.

#### **c) Change to Interest Rate**

The Clerk confirmed that the interest rate for the Parish Council bank account has increased to 0.40%.

### **18.06.18 To Discuss a Report for the Steep & Stroud Newsletter**

**It was resolved** that Cllr Paul would submit a report to the Newsletter requesting more volunteers for the village SpeedWatch scheme, giving an update on projects for next year and letting people know about the new kissing gate.

### **19.06.18 Correspondence**

#### **a) Petersfield Museum – Pathways into the Past**

**It was resolved** that this information would be added to the report for the Steep & Stroud Newsletter.

**Date of the next meeting** will be Tuesday the 6<sup>th</sup> of November 2018 at 7.30pm at Langrish School Hall

Meeting Ended: 8.55pm

Signed

Chairman: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Clerk – E Foulston