

A meeting of the Parish Council was held on 4th January 2011 at Stewkley Village Hall. Those present were Councillor Mrs R L Webb (in the chair); Councillors AR Dickens, PP Smith, CW Gurnett and Mrs J Wodey and Mrs AM Cooper (Clerk). Parishioner Mrs Margaret Burgess was also present along with Parishioner Mr Ken Lamb for part of the meeting.

Apologies were received and accepted from Cll'r W A Lyttle, Cll'r C T Wheeler, District Councillor Mrs Janet Blake and John Thornback.

1.01/11 To receive any declarations of interest

None declared

2.01/11 To confirm the Minutes of the Previous Meeting - Parish Council Meeting 6th December 2010.

The minutes were then signed as a correct record of the meeting held on the above date.

3.01/11 Matters Arising from the Minutes

White line at Manor Business Park - Still outstanding

Pot Holes and grounding in Dean Road – some repair work had taken place but not sufficient to overcome the risk of grounding vehicles in parts along Dean Road

Newsletter from the PC to parishioners – contents to be agreed at February meeting for submission into March or April Grapevine. **Action RW PS AL**

4.01/11 To confirm the minutes of the previous Planning Meeting – Cancelled

5.01/11 Correspondence for information and action

Old Library – clerk to send letter to new owner to confirm nature of works being carried out

Minutes of Stewkley Tennis Club AGM and Rules – Cll'rs noted these.

Wing North Neighbourhood update for December – Cll'rs were please to note no reported crimes in Stewkley for this period.

6.01/11 Items of interest for/reports from County and District Councillors

None to report. Clerk to contact County Councillor Brenda Jennings to confirm attendance at Traffic Sub Committee meeting on 10th January 2011.

7.01/11 Finance –

- a. **To discuss and authorise expenditure incurred with The Stewkley Wildlife Reserve –** Cll'r Dickens reported that he had no expenditure this month.
- b. **To discuss request from John Flewin re a grant to mark 40th anniversary (26th April 2011) of announcement of Cublington not being the site of London third airport.** Cll'rs agreed in principle to support this request and would approve an amount at February meeting once further details had been received from Mr Flewin.
- c. **To agree any payments of gratuities.** Deferred to February meeting as Cll'r Lyttle is absent.
- d. **To authorise the monthly expenditure for the period 7th December 2010 to 4th January 2011.**

Cll'rs agreed to pay the following:

£469.40	Mrs AM Cooper clerking duties December 2010, petty cash owed and 4 months office allowance	(101372)
£238.65	HM Revenue and Customs – clerk BR tax owed	(101373)
£311.80	ADT Fire and Security PLC less overpayment of invoice in Nov 2009	(101374)
£322.54	Andy Muskett Ltd – annual street light maintenance third quarter	(101375)
£184.95	Mr A Lyttle – new Homebase Christmas Tree Lights for village	(101376)
£122.41	L Dove Panning and Design – plans for BMX planning application	(101377)

Income - nil

e. To agree quarter monitoring report to period ending 31st December 2010_

After a discussion it was agreed to separate the expenditure line for Youth Club and BMX land. Cll'r Mrs Webb proposed the acceptance for the three quarter yearly monitoring report to 31st December 2010, Cll'r Smith seconded and unanimously agreed. Cll'r Mrs Webb signed the report.

8.01/11 Planning

10/00777/APP St Michael's School – install roof mounted photovoltaic panels on rear.

When considering supporting this application, the majority decision of SPC was to have no objections. (Ian Hopcraft from AVDC had visited the school and would report the Ash tree in the grounds would not interfere with the sun rays reaching the panels.)

10/02505/APP 32 Dunton Road – proposed vehicular access. **SPC has no objections subject to Highways comments.**

10/02195/APP 113 High Street South – erection of front fence and gates. **Stewkley Parish Council has no objections. Approved 10th December 2010. Minor amended plans noted by SPC 4/11/11.**

10/02514/ATC 14 Wing Road – crown lift to 1.2m approx and formative prune on one Acer tree. Rukiah Macey by 23rd Dec. **SPC has no objections.**

Mass Burn incinerator Edgcott – Cll'r Mrs Webb recapped the events of the past month. Firstly the submission of a letter on 13th December complied by Cll'rs Mrs Webb, Lyttle and Smith and Mr Roger Crew of StewkleyGreen to Mr T Egleton at Bucks County Council for consideration at the Bucks County Council Overview and Scrutiny Commissioning Committee meeting on 14th December, following the "calling in" of the planning application. A further letter was submitted by SPC at the request of SAVI to be used at the full hearing due to take place on 11th January 2011. Cll'rs agreed for Cll'r Smith to attend on behalf of SPC. Helen Howard of SAVI expressed her appreciation for all SPC support.

9.01/11 BCC Library Consultation with PC's on ways of providing local library services

Cll'rs agreed to submit the letter drafted by Cll'r Smith and approved by Cll's after the 11th January.

Action PS and RW

10.01/11 Planning Workshops and The New Localism Bill

Following a discussion about the workshops attended and the information supplied, Cll'r Mrs Wodey proposed the PC inform AVDC that SPC think only very small scale development is likely to be right for Stewkley in the future (e.g under 10 new homes, or very small scale employment development), Cll'r Dickens seconded and unanimously agreed. Cll'rs also agreed to submit an explanation for the decision to include the response being consistent with our Parish Plan which had triggered a Housing Needs Survey identifying a need for 7 further affordable housing units, a request to make planning applications more difficult to increase the size of properties contained within the conservation area and a request for more comprehensive traffic modelling.

11.01/11 Local Transport Plan 3

Cll'r Smith to look at the documents and report back at the February meeting

12.01/11 Local Emergency Plan

Cll'r Mrs Wodey and Mrs Burgess agreed to look at the templates and contact John Hart concerning a previous Emergency Plan complied for Stewkley. **Action JW and MB**

13.01/11 Parsons Close – progress report

Nothing further to report. Awaiting outcome of bid made to BCC to be announced in February 2011.

14.01/11 BMX Project – progress report

Clerk to contact WREN and explain that SPC will not proceeding with the grant application due to the PC not entering into a long term lease for the land due to extortionate fees. A yearly grazing licence would be applied for.

15.01/11 Griffin Fields walk way lights – progress report

Cll'rs agreed to wait for Hightown to make contact.

16.01/11 Recreation Ground Association Management agreement – update

A meeting has been arranged following the planning meeting on 24th January 2011.

17.01/11 Traffic Group Sub Committee– update

Next meeting is Monday 10th January at the Methodist School Room at 8pm. The main topic on the agenda will be parking at The War Memorial.

Local Area Freight Quality Partnership – Cll'r Mrs Webb to ask Neil Pritchard (member of the Traffic Sub Committee) to attend the meeting on 3 February. The main aim of the partnership is to deliver an action plan targeting at improving the efficiency, safety and sustainability of freight movement in the local area.

18.01/11 To approve any memorial applications received in December 2010.

None received.

19.01/11 Councillor's General Items

None

20.01/11 Next Planning Meeting – Monday 24th January 2011 at the Village Hall 7.30pm.

21.01/11 Next Parish Council Meeting – Monday 7th February 2011 at the Village Hall 7.30pm

As there was no further business the meeting closed at 9.10pm

Minutes accepted Date