

Minutes of the Stamford Bridge Parish Council meeting held on Monday 10th October 2022 at 7.30 pm in the Methodist Church.

Present: Councillors R Clarke (In the Chair), T Pope, D Soppelsa, R Speake, G Shuttleworth and C Kealey.

Members of the public –
Parish Clerk – Dave King

1. To receive apologies for absence.
Apologies for absence from Councillors D Flynn, C Clarke and P Butterfield
2. To record declarations of interest, in items on the Agenda.
No declarations of interest
3. To note dispensations given to any member of the Council in respect of the Agenda items below
No dispensations given
4. To receive reports (information only) from representatives of the following;
 - a) Ward Councillors
Ward Councillor K West updated the Councillors on the following issues .
Swimming pool.
Huntsman Lane barriers
Highways.
Man hole cover Main Street.
 - b) Humberside Police
Unable to attend.
5. Public Participation Session (15 minutes)

Items discussed;
Royal British Legion Standard to go on the wall in the Station/1066 Room as Stamford Bridge Branch had now been closed.
New light on A166/Viaduct
Manhole covers – Main Street
Thank You from a resident to the Parish Councillors.
6. To confirm the Minutes of the meeting held on the 12th September 2022 (attached)
Proposed by Councillor Kealey as correct, seconded by Councillor Soppelsa with all Councillors who attended the meeting voting in favour.
7. To discuss matters arising from previous Minutes

7.1 Update on the installation of the Jubilee signs

Following emailing Highways re the Jubilee signs and not having had a reply, Councillor Pope asked Ward Councillor West if she could escalate the issue for him, which she agreed to do.

7.2 Update on the fencing along the permissive footpath side of the car park and the gate on top of the bank which needs replacing.

Following correspondence from local residents the PC have now decided to open up the amenity space for all.

The fence along the permissive path will encourage walkers to use the footpath towards the river from where entrance into the fields can be accessed along the river bank side. This will be stoned to try to keep it open during bad weather. The fence on top of the bund will now be a gate to allow access and we are now looking into a pedestrian gate along the side with the existing ERYC car park. We encourage all to use this but please be aware of its rules and regulation especially the compulsory picking up of dog waste

7.3 To note the response of ERYC to Stamford Bridge footpaths 4 and 8.

The Clerk reported that ERYC had replied as follows:

“Schedule 14 applications are prioritised through a system that was approved by Cabinet and not chronologically.

Whilst they appreciate that the route claimed would be an excellent connection for those travelling between Stamford Bridge and Full Sutton, under the current priority system they are unable to move the application to the top of the list to be investigated.

They currently have over 100 of these applications to be investigated and S140107 (Footpaths 4 & 8) currently sits at no.17 in the priority list.”

7.4 Update from the Clerk on the new light at the end of the Viaduct/A166

The Clerk reported that the street light column had been installed and the rest of the equipment will be installed within the next few weeks. Please note that for the light to illuminate the footpath a number of branches and hedging will have to be trimmed.

7.5 Update from Councillors Butterfield on seat and bench maintenance.

As Councillor Butterfield was not present at the meeting, he sent the following statement to the Clerk:

“All benches including the seat in the bus shelter on High Catton Road have now been re-painted in readiness for winter and also the platform edge has been retouched where there was some wear. The charge for this will be £90 - can this be approved at the meeting.

A village plan showing the position of some of the benches has been made. The question is whether we should include the 'private' benches into our maintenance program so that all the benches in the village then look consistently of a “good image.”

If this is agreed the plan will be updated to include these and also produce a spread sheet showing each one to use as an ongoing maintenance plan.

To be moved to another meeting.

It was proposed by Councillor Pope and seconded by Councillor Shuttleworth that the £90.00 charge was agreed.
All Councillors in favour.

7.6 Update by Councillor Kealey on the meeting with the Footpath Officer
Councillor Kealey reported that he had a meeting with Samantha McGivern and the outcome was that she will arrange for road chippings to be laid on the permissive path in the spring of next year. This is the area that residents had complained about. There is also going to be a tidy up of the public right of way beyond the viaduct in the Low Catton direction.

The footpath officer also gave us a definition of the flood wall and who owned what. The flood wall in this case is owned by the Environment Agency but the land below the flood wall is owned by the Parish Council.

8. To consider Planning Application as listed below;
 - 8a) Rose Cottage, The Brickyards, Newbridge Lane – Siting of caravan with parking for use as ancillary and holiday accommodation, erection of boundary fence (retrospective)
 - 8b) Stamford Bridge Heritage Society - Land North West of Derwent Bridge - Change of use of land to host events and siting of a new timber clad storage container.
 - 8c) 12 Foresters Walk - Erection of a single storey extension to rear and lean-to roof over existing garage.All recommended for Approval
9. To note planning decisions by East Riding of Yorkshire Council
ERYC has resolved to grant planning permission subject to a number of conditions.
 - 9a). No decisions by ERYC Planning.
10. To approve accounts for September 2022 (see attachment)
 - a) To confirm that accounts totaling £2,752.40 paid out during September 2022.
 - b) To note the end of month balance as - £108,373.40
 - c) Amounts paid in during September 2022 – £29,000 (Precept)RESOLVED: a, b, & c proposed as correct by Councillor Kealey and seconded by Councillor Soppelsa with all Councillors in favour.
11. Discuss the Parish Councils IT requirements for the next year. (Councillor's Speake and Soppelsa)
To be moved to a training day-date to be confirmed.
12. Election of Officers of the Parish Council and cheque signatories for 2022/23 (attached), to include new IT Committee.
To also discuss that an Internal Auditor was still required.

To be moved to November.
13. Discuss a request for a grant for Christmas Fair 2022. (See attachment)
It was proposed by Councillor Pope and seconded by Councillor Soppelsa that the Parish Council give a grant to the Christmas Fair of £500.00.
All Councillors in favour.

14. Discuss support events for the community during the winter?
Councillors to discuss with a number of groups/buildings to see if they are prepared to do extra opening hours during the winter and what timescales?
We plan to write to all prospective venues to see if they could be open for one day a week to provide a warm space for people.
The PC will support with help with costs of beverages and heating and lighting.
15. Councillor Kealey to discuss the voluntary contribution of £1.50 per tree and to confirm distribution arrangements on the 19th November.
Due to issues in the collection of tree contributions it was agreed that the Parish Council would contribute the £1.50 per tree, so each resident ordering a tree would be given it free.
This was proposed by Councillor Kealey and seconded by Councillor Pope with all Councillors in favour.
He is also to:
 1. Email / letter to residents regarding collection details
 2. Information for residents on how to care for their trees
 3. Confirm a rota for the 19th, agreed at the meeting.
16. Discuss the clearing of footpaths by members of the public
Councillor Speake reported that she had received a complaint regarding the overgrown bushes on the Sustrans track. The Clerk was asked to contact ERYC to arrange cutting back of the branches.
17. Updates on Remembrance Day, Square Closure and Christmas Light Switch on.
The Clerk reported that all the paperwork for Remembrance Day had now been sent to ERYC – he was just waiting confirmation that the parade and road closures can go ahead.
Councillor Pope reported that the Square closure was cancelled but the Christmas Light switch-on would still go ahead.
The Councillors decided against reducing the time the Christmas lights were on, as all lights are LED.
It was agreed to continue the Christmas poster competition for the School Children.
18. Discuss the Parish Field Policy Document amended by Councillor Pope.
To allow longer time for discussion moved to new date.
19. To remind Councillors that any items they want included in the 2023/2024 Precept, needs to be presented before the December meeting.
The Clerk and Chairman asked if the Councilor's could e-mail them with any ideas they may have for inclusion in next years' Precept.
20. Chairman's Report:

As the Chairman was unable to attend the meeting, he sent the following report to be read out:

Cllr Flynn and Dave King had met with ERYC Senior Bridge Engineer to discuss the repair work needed on the bridge.

- The work to be undertaken in next financial year
- The Bridge would be closed for four weeks, but the work may not take that long
- The top three rows of stones need to be rebuilt, with missing stones replaced, probably along the whole bridge. The limestone mortar being used requires good conditions (warmth) to enable it set quickly. Low river level will also make erecting the scaffolding easier
- The current thinking was that August / early September would be the best period.
- In advance of any work the bridge needs scanning to get dimensions etc – this would be done by closing the bridge for a 2-hour period in the middle of the night to avoid disruption
- Cabins will need to be erected/equipment stored and this will probably be the Parish Council field.
- Traffic lights will be installed at the junction with the A1079 (end of Long Lane).

Given the delay in starting the work, we asked if some work could be undertaken to tidy up the bridge in the meantime eg removing loose and damaged stones etc. They have replied stating that they had been looking into the retrieval of stones from the river but unfortunately the lifting equipment required would need to be placed on the carriageway which would need a daytime road closure which they want to avoid. On a positive note, however, they are seeking approval to undertake a repaint of the footbridge whilst they are working on the road bridge, with pedestrians being able to utilise the road bridge whilst the footbridge is painted.

21. To note and consider correspondence (attached)
The correspondence was either noted or read out.
22. To note the response of ERYC to the petition to create a footpath between High Catton and Stamford Bridge
Following the submission of the petition requesting a footpath between High Catton and Stamford Bridge, we have now heard back from the Principal Transport Policy Officer at ERYC. The cost for a new footpath is estimated at £473,000.00 which exceeds the Local Transport Plan budget for Local Walking and Cycling Infrastructure for the nearest settlement area. The proposal, therefore, is to be added to a list of sites to await an opportunity for funding from Central Government.
23. To consider how Stamford Bridge can become more Dementia friendly
It was agreed that Councillor Kealey should contact the Dementia Group to gain information on Stamford Bridge becoming Dementia friendly.
24. To notify the Clerk of matters for inclusion on the next Agenda.
No items for the next Agenda.
25. Date for next meeting.

The date of the next meeting will be Monday 14th November 2022 at 7.30pm, in the Methodist Chapel.