

**A MEETING OF STRETTON PARISH COUNCIL
WAS HELD ON TUESDAY 3rd SEPTEMBER 2019 AT 7.00PM
IN THE PRIORY CENTRE, CHURCH ROAD, STRETTON**

The following members of the Council were present:

Mr J McKiernan	Chair
Mrs K Winson	Vice Chair
Mrs E Pritchard	
Mr S J Campion	
Mrs C Hodson-Walker	
Mr P Davies	
Mr T Williams	
Mr P Scanlan	
Mr M Goode	

Also present were the clerk, SCC Cllr R Clarke, ESBC Cllr Andjelkovic and members of the public.

1. PUBLIC QUESTION TIME AND PRESENTATION OF PETITIONS

1920-070 Two members of the public from Amberlands attended to advise of anti-social behaviour being experienced by young people using the childrens playarea in the locality, which is causing some anxiety to residents, who are also feeling vulnerable. There is a lot of swearing, litter, cars and drug use between the hours of 4.00pm and 10.30pm. The police have been made aware and the PCSO has been attending. The Chair confirmed that ESBC Cllr Lamb has been discussing the issues with ESBC. It was suggested that better signage be erected making it clear that the area is for use by children under 12 and monitoring by the police to move the youngsters from the area. Cllr Williams commented that there is a problem in Stretton with large groups of young people meeting up in different areas.

Two members of the public attended to highlight the increased amount of speeding traffic along Guinevere Avenue. Redrow had been contacted previously with problems with construction traffic and these had been addressed. It was suggested that some traffic calming was needed along Lancelot Drive and Guinevere Avenue to curb the speeding traffic using the area as a cut through.

A member of the public commented on the lollypop people in the area; one on Rolleston Road stands in the road for a long time which builds up traffic in all directions and the one outside the school on Church Road allows vehicles to stop and let children out whilst he is standing in the road, again holding up the flow of traffic.

Cllr Pritchard advised the public of the Community Speedwatch Initiative and the need for volunteers, highlighting that Guinevere Avenue was a designated road for the scheme.

A member of the public commented that there was no white line along the centre of Lancelot Drive and that it had been pointed out to Councils previously that the area would become a rat run and cut through for vehicles not wanting to wait at the cross roads.

2. APOLOGIES

1920-071 Apologies were received from Cllrs Lamb and Tilley, ESBC Cllr Gould and SCC Cllr Peters.

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF THE MEETING TUESDAY 30th JULY 2019

1920-072 The previously circulated minutes were approved and signed as a true and accurate record following a proposal by Cllr Davies, seconded by Cllr Williams with all present in favour.

4. DECLARATION OF INTERESTS ON AGENDA ITEMS

1920-073 There were none advised.

5. CLLR S CAMPION - TRAVELLER ENCAMPMENT

1920-074 Cllr Campion advised that Stretton had been affected by two illegal traveller encampments in 14 months. The recent group had broken locks to get into the Meadow Lane carpark and football field and had left a lot of mess. Cllr Campion informed that there was still litter etc on the field area and that the work undertaken to the access gate was not correct or adequate. Cllr Campion expressed that despite the locks being broken to gain access, Staffordshire Police would not use Section 61 powers to remove the trespassers; and suggested that Members of Parliament should be lobbied to get the law changed to protect land owners and not protect the trespassers.

6. CLLR S CAMPION - TRENT MEADOWS GP SURGERY

1920-075 Cllr Campion advised of his disappointment with the Stretton surgery sending patients to Branston for treatments and also shutting on a Tuesday afternoon; and he felt that the surgery was being wound down for closure.

Cllr Goode commented that he had had a discussion with one of the Doctors who had stated that the Trent Meadows Practice was faced with problems from a shortage of General Practitioners.

Cllr Davies informed that he had had a message regarding booking a flu jab with the Branston surgery to which he had responded by email but as yet had not had any reply. Cllr Davies expressed his concerns for the elderly patients of Stretton who need to use public transport or taxis which causes unnecessary inconvenience and cost. Cllr Davies commented that it had taken Stretton a long time to get a dedicated surgery and despite having a population comparative to Branston was not being treated fairly and services appeared to be running down.

A member of the public informed that the Trent Meadows Practice had refused the offer of training of nurses and physician associates and that they were not looking at future options for a multi-disciplinary working team.

The Chair informed that this was not an isolated problem with Trent Meadows Practice but the shortage of General Practitioners was Staffordshire wide.

The Clerk to contact the Practice again regarding arranging a meeting.

7. CLLR S CAMPION - OPERATOR LICENCE FOR FEN GRAB HIRE

1920-076 Cllr Campion advised that the above had applied for a licence to operate from the land at Norman Terrace and expressed his concerns that the vehicle access was dangerous being at the top of the A38 sliproad. The Clerk had already written an objection due to the time limit on making representations.

8. CLLR CAMPION / CLLR WILLIAMS - CANALSIDE DEVELOPMENT ACCESS

1920-077 Cllr Williams informed that the access from the Canalside Development onto Beech Avenue had been opened and was being used by residents for access and parking, whilst it had been a condition of planning that this would be for emergency use only. ESBC Cllr Andjelkovic advised that the Planning Enforcement Officer had been asked to look into this and had responded that it was only on the outline plans that it had been designated as an emergency access; management of the access is part of a signed agreement between the developers and Staffordshire County Council Highways under the Section 106 agreement for the site who should be contacted in future. The Planning Enforcement Officer had attended site and the access had been blocked off at that time. A copy of the correspondence and photograph was given to SCC Cllr Clarke.

9. CLERK - ANNUAL PLANNER UPDATE

1920-078 A copy of the Planner had been circulated prior to the meeting and the contents noted.

10. CORRESPONDENCE RECEIVED

1920-079 The following items of correspondence have been received from the sources shown and actioned as indicated. All items were available for inspection by councillors.

i.	<i>Mazars- Completion of External Audit</i>	The Clerk advised of the successful completion of the external audit and updated that the only comment made was about providing an explanation of variance of fixed assets in future.
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11. COMMITTEE REPORTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS**1920-080 Priory Centre Management Committee**

Cllr Winson confirmed that the next meeting is on Wednesday 18th September 2019 at 7.00pm.

Cllr Winson informed that the main hall had been painted over the summer and thanked the Clerk for helping to get the new chairs for the Slater Room; and advised of the wear of the chairs in the back room.

Cllr Winson also informed that the annual gas check of the boilers had been undertaken and that the boiler that feeds the rear of the building needs to be replaced as soon as possible; an estimate has been obtained for a new boiler and some changes to the taps and pipework at £4500. The boiler that feeds the front area of the building will also need replacing but not urgently.

1920-081 Open Space Committee

A copy of the minutes of the meeting held on 30th July 2019 had been circulated prior the meeting. The Chair gave a verbal update from the Open Space meeting held earlier.

12. REPORTS BY STAFFORDSHIRE COUNTY COUNCILLOR, EAST STAFFORDSHIRE BOROUGH COUNCILLORS AND STAFFORDSHIRE POLICE

1920-082 The Clerk read out an email from SCC Cllr Peters advising that patching around the James Brindley Way/Derby Road island would be taking place on 11th September 2019 and that dates are awaited for other works such as verges on Rolleston Road and Claymills.

SCC Cllr Clarke :

- The flash flooding at Horton Avenue had been the result of blocked drains.
- The matchday parking on the central reservation on Beech Avenue had now stopped as it was prohibited to park here and enforcement had been in attendance.
- It has been discovered that The Evergreens has not been adopted by the SCC and is therefore a private road. SCC Cllr Clarke is to discuss adoption with SCC.
- Distributed leaflets on Staffordshire Warmer Homes initiative.

ESBC Cllr Andjelkovic :

- Had been discussing issues with a resident of The Evergreens following anti-social behaviour nuisance from the fishing pond where young people have been swimming and using inflatables plus a bench was broken and thrown into the pond.
- Another issue that was highlighted from the above resident is the drug use in the carpark on Meadow Lane. This has been reported and police have attended.

The Chair updated from an email from ESBC Cllr Lamb that he and SCC Cllr Peters had met the SCC highways team. They mentioned after the 3 accidents recently they would be taking action at the Harehedge Lane, Rolleston Road, Bitham Lane junction. some new signage and road markings. There has not been any real progress on the timing of the double roundabout

13. DATE TIME AND VENUE OF NEXT MEETING

1920-083 The next meeting will be Tuesday 1st October 2019 at the Priory Centre at 7.00pm.

The Chair enquired if it would be acceptable to change the date of the December meeting to 10th December 2019, which was unanimously agreed.

14. PLANNING APPLICATIONS AND PLANNING MATTERS

1920-084 The Clerk had circulated a register of valid planning applications with status prior to the meeting, for consideration and updated on the current status.

Discussion took place with regard to the tree removal on Princess Way (P/2019/00984 and it was agreed to request more replacement trees than the 3 identified.

It was noted that there was no information on the Gladman Development application.

15. FINANCE

1920-085 A copy of the payments schedule and monthly budget sheet were circulated. Following a proposal by Cllr Campion and seconded by Cllr Pritchard the following payments / receipts were unanimously approved :

PAYMENTS

BAC010819	BURTON BUILDING SVS	PART PAYMENT	10000.00
BAC020819	CAMPION BROS	MOWING / BEARINGS	2454.00
BAC030819	C WINSON	GENERAL MAINTENANCE	2294.25
DD	BT	TELEPHONE AND BB	78.35
BAC040819	A J SMITH	SALARY AND REIMBURSEMENTS	2009.67
BAC050819	C ALLEN	SALARY	1117.68
BAC060819	INLAND REVENUE	PAYE/NI FOR AJS/CA	996.39
BAC070819	BURTON BUILDING SVS	PART PAYMENT	15000.00
DD	PEOPLES PENSION	PENSION FOR CA/AJS	362.24
BAC010919	PJC TREE SERVICES	TREE WORK BITHAM/ST WALK	120.00
BAC020919	VIKING DIRECT	STATIONERY / PC CHAIRS	1615.51
BAC030919	MAZARS	AUDIT FEE	480.00
BAC040919	GLASDON	STREAMLINE BIN	465.08
BAC050919	EAST STAFFS B C	BUILDING REG FEES	372.00
BAC060919	PR HORTICULTURAL	REPAIRS TO MOWER	117.60
BAC070919	J HUTSON	BUS SHELTER WINDOW CLEANING	150.00
BAC080919	RAINBOW WASTE	ADDITIONAL COSTS FOR EMPTYING BIN	257.04
BAC090919	AUTOCROSS EUROSHEL	REPAIRS TO BUS SHELTER HILLFIELD	1782.00
BAC100919	BHIB INSURANCE	CHANGES TO POLICY	79.05
BAC110919	G C McCULLOCH	LITTERPICKING AND MAINT	1254.00
BAC120919	CAMPION BROS	MOWING AND DIESEL	1278.75
BAC130919	C WINSON	GENERAL MAINTENANCE	2355.70
001889	ROYAL BRITISH LEGION	POPPY WREATHS	40.00
DD	BT	TELEPHONE / BROADBAND	83.95

RECEIPTS

	PRIMAL INSTINCT	USE OF FIELD	112.00
	NATWEST	INTEREST	25.02
	STRETTON EAGLES	SUMMER TRAINING	130.00
	PRIORY CENTRE	REIMBURSE WHEELIE BIN	77.46
	NATWEST	INTEREST	22.75

1920-086 The Chair commented that due to the pending work needed to the boilers at the Priory Centre that the Parish Council could consider donating the new chairs that have been purchased for the Slater Room. Cllr Campion formally proposed this, seconded by Cllr Williams with all present in favour.

1920-087 The Chair enquired if any Councillors had any other information to bring to the meeting:

The Chair asked for Parish Council representatives to attend the remembrance services, Cllr Goode agreed to attend St Mary's Church and Cllr Hodson-Walker and the Chair to attend the Methodist. The lamp post poppies and the knitted poppy display to be reinstated for Remembrance weekend.

Cllr Hodson-Walker commented on the website and inclusion of the social media account.

SIGNATURE

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