STADHAMPTON PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on Monday 9th May, 2011

Clerk: Paul Isaacs, 11 Thame Road, Great Milton, Oxon., OX44 7HY

| Attendees | Daf Phillips (Chair) (DP), Golda Nann (Vice-Chair) (GN), Michael May (MM), Sarah Street (SS), Liz Eales (LE), Paul Isaacs (Clerk) (PI), Cllr Lorraine Lindsay-Gale (LLG) and 13 members of the public. |
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| Apologies | Cllr Phil Cross (PhC) |

| Ref | Item | Notes | Action |
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| 046/11 | Welcome | The Chair, DP, opened the meeting at 8.10pm (following the earlier AGM). | For info. |
| 047/11 | Declarations of Interest | No declarations of Interest. | For info. |
| 048/11 | Minutes of meeting on 21/3/11 | The Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on 21/3/11 were confirmed and approved by the meeting and signed by the Chairman. | For info. |
| 049/11 | Matters Arising (but not elsewhere on the agenda) | Parish Newsletter Ann Stead asked whether or not the PC should pay for adverts in the monthly newsletter. The PC provides community information rather than adverts so it was decided that their entries will continue to be FOC but that a grant can be given if the Newsletter is struggling for funds. | For info. |
| | | Royal Wedding Event SS proposed a vote of thanks to Sue White and Mike Horn for organising the Royal Wedding Pig Roast and fireworks event. There was a very good attendance (over 400 baps were consumed!) with a good cross section of ages. | For info. |
| | | Crazy Bear Hotel Clay Pigeon Shoots Clarification has been received that they can hold up to 28 shoots per year. If it is felt that the shoots are too close to public footpaths then this is a matter for the police. As for noise, the decibels depend on the prevailing wind. MM will contact the local police for their advice but does not hold out too much hope that they can be curtailed. | For info. |
| | | Newells Close / Crazy Bear dog bins The clerk has spoken to Justin Carter at the Crazy Bear Hotel (CBH). Agreed that SPC will purchase two bins for the CBH to fix to their fence and that the CBH will then take on the responsibilities for emptying them / changing the bags (at no ongoing cost to SPC). Clerk to purchase the bins and supply of bags. | For info. Clerk Decision |
| | | Dog fouling posters The clerk will contact SODC to see if they have any of these posters that can be posted in the notice boards and at strategic places around the village. | For info. Clerk |

| 050/11 | Village Green and Playground | Inspection Reports Completed and noted. | For info. |
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| | | Goalposts The Clerk has obtained a lock and padlock for the goals but a few strong residents will be needed to move it back to the pavilion! | For info. Clerk |
| 051/11 | Allotments | The new allotment tenancy agreement for 2011/12 was adopted. Proposed by DP and seconded by MM. All 2011/12 agreements will now be issued by the Clerk and/or by the Allotments Officer, Julian Humm. The Parish allotments register will then be updated accordingly. | Decision |
| | | A cheque for £117 for 2011/12 rents was paid to the Clerk. There will be no rental increase for this year but the new rates for 2012/13 will need to be set by committee at the November 2011 meeting. | For info. |
| 052/11 | Footpaths and Transport | The Clerk read out a letter received from the County Council advising of forthcoming changes 101 and 106 local bus services. The Clerk also read out a letter received from Mrs. B. E. Dodsworth outlining how the announced changes of route will cause hardship to local residents (especially the elderly). The current route goes to Cowley Centre which is convenient for shopping and as a change point for those needing to visit the JR Hospital. The proposed route goes through Littlemore and straight into Oxford without passing through Cowley Centre. The Clerk to write to Thames Travel and to the County Council with our objections. | For info. |
| | | GN questioned why 'highways approval' seems to take precedence on planning issues. | GN |
| | | The speed limit on the B4051 is now 50 and new signs will be erected to that effect. | For info. |
| 053/11 | Oxfordshire County Council | Cllr. LLG had presented a report earlier in the evening for for the AGM (agenda reference 043/11). | For info. |
| 054/11 | South Oxfordshire County Council | Cllr. Phil Cross was unable to attend the meeting so no report from South Oxfordshire District Council was tabled. | For info. |
| 055/11 | Other Village Matters | Community Buildings Project - an update was presented earlier in the evening to the AGM (agenda ref. 043/11). | For info. |
| | | GN to write a few words for the Parish Newsletter regarding the use of cars and youngsters playing on their bikes along School Lane. | GN For info. |
| | | SPC to continue to log instances of car trading and parking on the verge. This ongoing evidence to be passed onto Trading Standards and to the local police. | For info. |
| | | DP reported that 'without prejudice' meetings have been held with Vector Design Consultancy at Church Farm Barns, Copson Lane who are requesting an easement that will give them rights of vehicular access. Our solicitors, Darbys, are corresponding with Manches solicitors in an effort to bring this long standing issue to a satisfactory conclusion for both parties. A full update will be reported to the July meeting. | For info. DP |

| | | All meetings to be held at 7.30pm in the Stadhampton Community Hall (Primary School) | |
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| 059/11 | Forthcoming 2011/12 Meetings | Monday 4th July, 2011 Monday 5th September, 2011 Monday 7th November, 2011 Monday 9th January, 2012 Monday 5th March, 2012 | For info. |
| | | An invitation from RAF Benson to attend one of their regular community link functions. | For info. |
| 058/11 | Correspondence | A letter received from the County Council to confirm that their Core Strategy consultation process had now finished and that the findings would be reported later in the year. | For info. |
| | (Clerk) | (£5,355.50) was received and at 6/5/11 the current account balance stood @ £ 12,458.83. The Clerk to obtain a Lloyds Bank 'change of signatories' forms for the next meeting so that all five councillors can become active signatories. | Clerk |
| 057/11 | Treasurers Report | In April the first of two 2011/12 precept payments | For info. |
| | | P11/W0703/LB (Listed Building Consent) - Thatched Cottage, School Lane, OX44 7TR. Listed building consent requested for single storey extension to rear and for a new ground floor toilet under stairs. SPC to reply by the deadline date of June 9th, 2011. | For info. |
| | | P11/W0686 - 19, Bear Lane, Stadhampton, OX44 7UR. Proposal to demolish the existing bungalow to allow 2 new two storey dwellings. SPC to reply by the deadline date of June 7th, 2011. | For info. |
| 056/11 | Planning Matters | P11/W0309 - Field known as 'Long Ground'. Application to erect an agricultural building and to relocate the access to the B4015 and the track from this into site. SPC had objected to this application but SODC originally granted approval. However, at appeal, SODC reversed its original decision and decided to REFUSE this application. Thanks to Cllr. Phil Cross for his staunch support on this matter and to GN and SS for attending the planning appeal and representing SPC very professionally. | For info. |

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Signed as a true and accurate record :-

Dafydd Phillips, Chair Date 4/7/11