

STON EASTON PARISH COUNCIL

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PLEASE NOTE THAT THE DEFIBRILLATOR TRAINING WILL TAKE PLACE IMMEDIATELY AFTER THE MEETING – COMMENCING AT 7.00PM

You are summoned to attend a meeting of STON EASTON PARISH COUNCIL to be held at
Ston Easton Village Hall on Tuesday 2 June commencing at 6.40pm

AGENDA

- 1. Apologies and declarations of interest**
- 2. Public participation**
- 3. Minutes of last meeting**
To agree the minutes of the meeting held on Tuesday 12 May 2015
- 4. To consider filling two vacancies on the Parish Council by co-option**
The Clerk has received applications from Ms Ainslie Laird and Mr Julian Carver to be co-opted on to the Parish Council.
- 5. Date of next meeting** Tuesday 14 July 2015, Ston Easton Village Hall

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MINUTES of a PARISH COUNCIL MEETING held at Clapton Village Hall
on Tuesday 12th May 2015 commencing at 8.00pm

Present: Tom Osborne (Chair), Steve Huckle, Dave Watts, Rob Winkworth
Fiona Lyons (Clerk), Village Agent Jacky Smith

1. Election of Chairman and Vice-chairman

DW proposed that Tom Osborne and Rob Winkworth continue as Chair and Vice Chair respectively.
This was seconded by SH and carried unanimously.

2. Apologies and declarations of interest

Tom Killen

3. Public participation

None

4. Minutes of last meeting

The minutes of the meeting held on Tuesday 3 March 2015 were agreed with no amendments.

5. Matters arising**a. Highways matters**

RW reported that the A37 slip road continues to deteriorate and there has been some patching on the bends through Ston Easton which is already degrading. There is also an issue where the Clapton Hall car park meets the road. It was suggested that the village hall committee could also contact Highways about this matter.

b. Clapton defibrillator update – The training event has been arranged for Tuesday 2 June at Ston Easton Village Hall. The Clerk reported that the Clapton defibrillator will be commissioned by South Western Ambulance Trust at the training event. It can then be installed although a cabinet still has to be purchased. The ‘Call, Push, Rescue’ training materials can be handed over to the village hall. The Clerk had produced a draft press release in line with the requirements of BHF and this will be issued when the defibrillator is installed.

Action: Clerk to investigate prices etc for cabinets to house the defibrillator.

6. Member’s Register of Interests forms

The Clerk had circulated the Declaration of Interest forms along with the guidance and requested that the forms are returned as soon as possible.

7. Co-option process to fill vacancies on the Parish Council

RW questioned whether there was a need to co-opt any additional members, SH felt strongly that more members should be co-opted so that both communities are represented. It was suggested that the co-option could be decided at the July meeting rather than hold an additional meeting. Clerk agreed to check the regulations.

Action: Clerk to advertise vacancies and arrange an additional meeting if necessary.

8. Report from District / County Councillor/Village Agent and PCSO

Harvey Siggs had submitted a written report – Clerk to circulate.

Jacky Smith – Village Agent – presented a report and the following points were noted:

- There are now 15 agents covering 18 village clusters. Funding has been secured from the Big Lottery Fund for another three years and Jacky now covers Chilcompton in addition to her other villages.
- The number of client has increased and issues range from transport, caring for a partner at home and financial problems.
- Somerset 60+ road safety events have been held as well as a basic first aid course run by The Red Cross. It is hoped that more similar events can be organised.
- Jacky is currently working to try and set up volunteer car schemes within communities to help people get to GP appointments outside of their villages. There is a *Car Scheme Tool Kit* to help groups set up a car scheme in their community.
- A monthly coffee event has now been set up with the help of volunteers and these attract 20-30 people each month.

- When the sports court is up and running the Parish Council may be approached for funding. Jacky also reported that the pavement in Ston Easton has been inspected and now has red arrows and 'patch' painted on the worst affected areas. Debris from the trees is also a problem. **Action:** Clerk to write to Ston Easton park and ask that they cut back the trees and clear the debris.

There was some disappointment that there was no report from the PCSO especially as there seems to be an increase in rural crime reported via Farmwatch. SH reported that for a number of evenings a red Nissan Micra and a Mini had been parked in the back village hall car park and drug paraphernalia has been seen in the morning. Red Nissan Micra and mini. **Action:** Clerk to advise PCSO.

9. Planning

a. Applications

- 2015/0918/FUL – Manor Farm, Hay Street, Ston Easton – Construction of replacement roof structure over existing cow cubicle area. **No objections**
- 2015/0503/FUL – Home Farm, Ston Easton – 1 300mm dish (pole mounted) together with ancillary development. **No objections**

b. Notice of Appeal

APP/Q3305/W/15/3004831 - Old Gore Wood, Old Gore Lane, Emborough – It was agreed that someone should attend to represent the Parish Council. **Action :** Clerk to circulate date of appeal.

c. Appeal Decision

APP/Q3305/W/14/3001732 – Former builder's yard, Marsh Lane, Farrington Gurney. **Appeal Dismissed.**

10. Financial matters

SH proposed that the financial matters be agreed, this was seconded by DW and carried unanimously. The following matters were agreed:

- Renewal of annual insurance – The Clerk reported that she had obtained a comparison quote from Zurich Insurance. AON's premium of £235.27 for a 3 year agreement remained competitive.
- SALC Affiliation Fee - £134.95
- Donation to Chewton Mendip Parish Magazine £20.00
- Request for funding from Mendip CAB - £100.00
- Donation to Dorset and Somerset Air Ambulance - £100.00
- Payment to Ston Easton Village Hall Caretaker for checking defibrillator £25.00
- Contribution towards cleaning bus shelter - £10.00
- Retention of internal auditor - £50.00
- Payment for tree work in Clapton – this item was deferred as work will be undertaken in June
- Clerk's expenses - £75.00

11. Correspondence

The following items of correspondence were noted:

- MDC Planning Validation Requirements consultation
- Highways Environmental Maintenance Leaflet - considered cutting RW will trim
- SCC - The Care Act – an overview

12. Calendar of Meetings 2015-2016

The calendar of meetings for 2015/2016 was agreed.

13. Matters for report and items for next meeting

Village signs

14. Date of next meeting (Tuesday 14th July 2015)