

Meeting of the Parish Council held on Tuesday, 19th September 2017 at 7.30 p.m. in the Memorial Hall.

Present: Mr D. Lyward, Mr R. Beckingham, Ms S. Lowrie. Mrs P. Bonsall, and the Clerk, Mrs. M. C. Shaw.

In attendance: Borough Councillor, M Burgess.

Apologies: Mr P. Ford (indisposed)

Declarations of Interest: Mr R. Beckingham and Ms. S. Lowrie on planning application no. 17/01303/AS Holmans House, Wittersham Road, Stone.

Election of Chairman: Mr. D. Lyward was proposed by Mrs. P. Bonsall, seconded by Mr. R. Beckingham, there being no other nominations, Mr. Lyward duly signed his "Declaration of Acceptance of Office".

Election of Vice-Chairman: Ms. S. Lowrie was proposed by Mr. D. Lyward seconded by Mr. R. Beckingham and unanimously agreed as Vice-Chairman.

Discussion took place on possible candidates for co-option onto the Council. There are now two vacancies, due to the demise of Mr. E.A. Brignall and the vacancy due to insufficient candidates at the last election in 2015.

Minutes: The minutes of the previous meeting had been circulated prior to the meeting, these were agreed as correct, and were duly signed by the Chairman.

Matters Arising: **Gully emptying, etc.** – these are still ongoing. It was noted that the Village Caretaker would monitor these and report as necessary.

Correspondence K.A.L.C. Minutes and agendas – as circulated
Clerks & Councils Direct
Carers Support

Finance: Current Account as at 31st July 2017 £ 5,240 - 96

Business Reserve Account as at 31st July 2017 £ 5,094 - 53

Interest received on Business Reserve account 13p

Cheques were drawn:-

Mrs. M. Shaw, Clerks Salary 1st July 2017 to 30th September 2017 less P.A.Y.E £ 347 - 95

Mrs. M. Shaw, Administration expenses 1st April to 30th June 2017 £ 144 – 70, and from 1st July to 30th September 2017 £ 96 – 10 Total due £ 240 – 80

P.A.Y.E. 1st July 2017 to 30th September 2017 £ 87 – 85

Zurich Municipal, combined Parish Council insurances £ 345 – 68

Mr. C. Bonsall, Street cleansing operative, 1st April to 30th September 2017 £ 250 - 00

Planning:

17/01383/AS Owl Barn, Ebony Road, Stone.

Conversion of existing store to provide internal access link between existing annex and house including new glazed screen/doors.

The application was supported.

17/01303/AS Holmans House, Wittersham Road, Stone.

Demolition of existing 6 bedroom dwelling, garage and workshop, construction of a replacement 5 bedroom dwelling and detached garage.

As there was not a quorum, Mr P. Ford will need to be consulted when he is well enough.

Approval received:-

17/01059/AS Meadow Cottage, Ebony Road, Stone.

Proposed detached garage.

**Village
Caretaker:**

As above on gullies. He would also be asked to dig out the roadside “grips”, especially along Catt Hill.

**Childrens Play:
Area:-**

Nothing further. A fund raising event had been held.

**Items of
Interest:**

Concern was raised regarding the access to the Cricket field with the overgrown trees which had hindered an ambulance access recently. It was agreed that “sympathetic” pruning could be carried out.

BT to be reminded that their telephone kiosk near the Crown Inn still needs to be removed now that they have removed the telephone.

It was suggested that The Crown Inn should be listed as a Village Asset. Ms S. Lowrie will Investigate.

The water leak outside of Ferry Farm will be reported again.

It was agreed that Stone Parish Council news should be included in “Outlook on Oxney”, Clerk to forward draft minutes to the Chairman. Also, if possible, for inclusion on the Church web-site.

**Date of the
Next Meeting:**

The date of the next Meeting was agreed for Tuesday, 21st November 2017 at 7. 30 p.m. in the Memorial Hall

There being no further business the Chairman declared the meeting closed at 8.15 p.m

Planning – 27th October 2017

- 17/01400/AS The Stables, Blackberry Barn, Ebony Road, Stone.
New double car port and hardstanding
The application was supported, providing that it is only used as a car port.
- 17/01364/AS Stemps Land, Ebony Road, Stone.
Proposed single storey side extension.
The application was supported.
- 17/01537/AS Knightingales, Wittersham Road, Stone.
Conversion of garage into annexe.
Whilst the Parish Council supported the application they were concerned that this building has recently been altered to add dormer windows and should have been a retrospective application