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**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF GREAT SOMERFORD
(INCORPORATING STARTLEY) PARISH COUNCIL
HELD IN THE COMMUNITY ROOM AT SOMERFORDS WALTER POWELL SCHOOL ON
WEDNESDAY 11^H JANUARY 2017 THAT COMMENCED AT 7.30pm.**

PRESENT: Cllrs S Jevons-Chairman, H Cole, D Butcher, A Scott, M Hourigan, S Mansfield, Mrs C Butler + 1 member of the public Mrs Binstead an applicant for a position on the Council.

Public Participation – There were no questions asked. Mrs Binstead attended as an observer.

MINUTES

103.17	Declaration of Acceptance of Office – Stephen Mansfield signed the declaration witnessed by the Clerk.
104.17	Apologies for Absence –received from Wiltshire Cllr Sturgis.
105.17	Minutes The minutes of the Great Somerford Parish Council meeting held on 9 th November 2016 were signed by the Chairman and adopted as a true record.
106.17	Declarations of Interest – Personal interest received from Cllr Hourigan on application No. 16/11027/FUL. Stayed, took no part in discussions. Personal interest received from Cllr Scott on Community Room, stayed, took no part in discussions.
107.17	Wiltshire Council update –Cllr Sturgis was not present
108.17	Planning Matters – Report from Cllr Cole Wiltshire Council Decisions 16/09111/FUL – Proposed rear extension at Adderbury, Dauntsey Rd, Gt. Somerford – Approved with conditions. Tree applications: 16/10119/TCA – approved 16/10159/TCA - Approved Applications dealt with out of committee Tree Applications – 16/11687/TCA, 16/12145/TCA, 16/12117/TCA – All supported. 16/11027/FUL Erection of greenhouse, boundary wall and extension to existing retaining wall at – 6 Frog Lane, Gt Somerford - Observations made in relation to the turning bay – comments sent to Wiltshire Planning and circulated to Councillors. Note: It appears that there is a dispute between neighbours regarding certain aspects of the plans received by the PC. No further comments on the application will be made by the Parish Council.
109.17	Highway Matters - As received a) White Lining – Ongoing b) West Street/Startley Lane – Meetings have taken place with W C. – the following Information received from W C. - “I can confirm the following works have been undertaken; 1. There is a 6 inch connection from the gully near to the pumping station to the mainline running down the side of West Street - Site

	<p>visited 15th December 2016 2. Gullies in West Street are running - Site visited 15th December 2016 3. Sweeper attended West Street to clear leaf fall and kerb lines - Site visited week commencing 20th December 2016. I will ask the area Technician to keep an eye on the area over the winter months. I can also confirm the following outstanding works required by other parties; a. Ditch's to be cleared in fields to prevent water reaching West Street b. Parish Council to added works to "Parish Priority Log"</p> <p>c) Parish Steward – Nothing to report</p>
110.17	<p>Litter Bins – W C will not provide additional bins. On inspection, it was established that 3 bins were in need of replacing. W C to be requested to replace these bins ACTION CLERK</p> <p>Consideration was given to suggested bin sites received from a resident. – Following discussions, it was resolved to re-site 2 bins in the vicinity of: 1) at the style from Hollow Street, accessing the caravan field and 2) West Street, at the hunting gate accessing the school field. Members to action this. Resident to be notified – ACTION CLERK</p>
111.17	<p>Community Room – The Clerk reported that she had purchased a new kettle at the request of Mrs Scott. Mrs Scott reported that the kitchen light was in need of attention Cllr Jevons agreed to look into this. She also reported that there were only 7 glasses in the cupboard and there should be 24. It was resolved to purchase 24 new glasses. ACTION CLLR BUTLER.</p>
112.17.	<p>S106 update – W C have raised a CIL invoice and requested payment of £2,203.56 for Brownleaves.- W C has requested the CIL and chased on several occasions but to no avail. A 20% charge has now been inflicted. The Wiltshire Council legal team will now be instructed to write to the developer giving 14 days to pay – if they do not comply, court action will be introduced. ONGOING</p>
113.17	<p>Items for Action Community School Management – Nothing to report</p> <p>Playarea - Cllrs Butcher and Cole reported that they had looked into purchasing a piece of new equipment but the cost of £17,000 was too high.</p> <p>Consideration was given to an email received from Ms Gaskill/Elliott suggesting that the cradle tops on the children's swings be examined as she felt they were at risk of sudden failure. Also bird fouling on the swings was noted.</p> <p>Following discussions, it was resolved to replace the chains and the seats of the swings. It was noted that the latest inspection report did not highlight any immediate danger with regard to the swings. Weeding and new bark are needed together with attention to the top of the slide. – ACTION CLLR BUTCHER</p> <p>It is not practical to continually monitor bird fouling and it was suggested that visitors to the Playarea could remove such fouling before use, with wet wipes or similar.</p> <p>The Clerk reminded members that Tesco, Apply for a Bags of Help grant may be a useful way forward. This to be looked into – ACTION CLERK</p>
114.17	<p>Neighbourhood Plan (NP) – Cllr Jevons reported on the following: A Letter was sent by the NP Steering Group to Gleeson Strategic Land (GSL) on December 19th 2016. This addressed statements made by GSL during the period of preparation of the NP which were considered inaccurate by the Steering Group. This letter will be posted on the Great Somerford website.</p> <p>The Final Consultation Response to the NP received from Strutt and Parker (acting on behalf of Gleeson) was received by email on December 22nd. 2016. This, and all other</p>

	<p>responses to the NP are posted on the Wiltshire consultation portal at http://consult.wiltshire.gov.uk/portal All comments on the portal, W C clarified that no action is to be taken by the N P Steering Group or the Parish Council. WC will pass all comments to an independent inspector who will then decide whether the NP can be submitted for the parish referendum. No timescale is currently available.</p>
115.17	<p>Finance – A report previously circulated.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) Receipts since 9th November 2016 totalled - £9,760. This included £9,300 from the free gardens for maintenance etc. carried out by the parish council on the Free Garden's behalf. b) Payments approved at this meeting totalled - £2,721.32 c) Bank Account balances as at 30th December 2016 – Current Account - £10,270.74. Deposit account - £3,715.11 – total £13,985.85.
116.17	<p>Correspondence as received</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) Thank you note from the PCC b) Information on the Parliamentary Constituency Boundary review from Cricklade Town Council – circulated. Cllr Jevons briefed members that the consultation is ongoing and that we will be kept informed of progress. c) Briefing note 313 – circulated. d) CPRE Best Kept Village information – noted. Forwarded to Cllr Cole. We will be entering this competition again this year. e) Mobile Library information – request to advertise and put posters on the notice boards – noted and request supported.
117.17	<p>Councillors Reports and items for the next agenda. Next meeting 8th February 2017</p> <p>Cllr Butler reported that on two occasions today, a 4 by4 vehicle mounted the pavement in Dauntsey Road to avoid oncoming vehicles rather than wait. Also, vehicles are still parking on the footpath. It was suggested that another speeding review should be considered. This to be reported to W C – ACTION CLLR JEVONS</p> <p>Cllr Butcher reported that an elderly resident living in a 4 bedroomed house wished to move into a small bungalow next door to his property. However, due to certain regulations, Greensquare will not allocate this property to this person. It was resolved that a letter be written to Greensquare expressing the urgent needs of this resident and to suggest a meeting. ACTION CLERK</p>
118.17	<p>Exclusion of Public and Press - Due to matters of a confidential nature, under the LGA 1972 s100 and 102 Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960 the public and press were excluded from the following item.</p>
119.17	<p>Co-option of Parish Council – Consideration was given to the three applications received for the two vacancies. Following lengthy discussions, it was agreed that this was a difficult decision to make . It was then resolved to offer the places to Mrs Binstead (who attended the meeting this evening) and Mrs Gravell. The third applicant to be thanked for her interest and if agreed, her details will be kept on file for any further vacancies – ACTION CLERK</p>

MEETING CLOSED AT 8.45PM