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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 8TH JUNE 2016 THAT COMMENCED AT 7.30pm.

PRESENT: Cllrs S Jevons, H Cole, Mrs C Butler, D Butcher, A Scott, R Hughes, M Hourigan & Mrs S Webb, Clerk + W. Cllr T Sturgis

Public Participation – There were no public present

MINUTES

018.16	Vice-Chairman signed the Declaration of Acceptance of Office for 2016/2017
019.16	Apologies for Absence received from Cllrs Cook and Loader.
020.16	Minutes The minutes of the Annual meeting held on 11 th May 2016 were signed by the Chairman and adopted as a true record.
021.16	Declarations of Interest Cllr Jevons declared a personal interest in planning application 16/04547/VAR took no part in discussions and did not vote. Cllr Scott declared an interest in any issues in relation to the Community Room.
022.16	Wiltshire Council update - Cllr Sturgis reported on the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Visit from Higher Authority – four members from different departments visited W C and all were surprise to hear of the many issues Wiltshire Council deal with.• Ditch clearance – during clearance of a ditch in the Glebe Field, an electricity cable was discovered that should have been buried deeper. This has been inspected, no damage to the cable occurred and a permanent solution is being sought by the electricity company concerned.• West Street – W C not in favour of signage due to new guidelines.• Chippenham Housing Plan- meeting took place last evening – not well attended.• Tarmac and resurfacing works throughout Wiltshire – very active• It was noted that some verges were in need of cutting• Fly tippers can now be fined on the spot and cameras can be erected at known fly tipping spots. Thanks were passed to Cllr Sturgis.
023.16	Planning Matters W C Decisions – 16/03181/FUL Proposed alteration to existing garage including resiting garage doors, blocking existing window & door opening & creating new window & door opening at Sherwood, 25 Winkins Lane, Gt. Somerford – Approved with conditions. 16/03332/TCA tree surgery at 4 Paddock Close, Gt. Somerford – No Objections. 16/03742/TCA Tree surgery at Tangles, Gt. Somerford – No Objections.

	<p>Applications considered 16/04518/TCA Tree surgery at 9 Paddock Close, Gt. Somerford – It was resolved to support this application.</p> <p>16/04547/VAR Variation of condition of 15/02933/FUL relating to approved plans at Brown Leaves, Hollow Street, Gt. Somerford – Cllr Cole reported that he had not received this application until 26th May and therefore W C have agreed to extend the time for comments. 3 copies of letters of objection have been received and circulated to all members.</p> <p>Cllr Sturgis assisted with advice on comments. A letter requesting clarification of a number of points to be drafted and sent to the planning department following circulation to Parish Councillors. – ACTION CLLR COLES.</p>
024.16	<p>Highway Matters - As received</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) Dauntsey Road Footpath – Following discussions it was resolved to monitor the situation of the kerb height for 6 months. Mr Binley to be notified of this – ACTION CLERK b) Glebe Field Footpath – Thornbury & Son to inspect the path and quote for necessary works – ON GOING. Cllr Butcher. To oversee. c) White Lining – Ringway Parkman to prioritise d) West Street – W C not in favour of signage due to new guidelines. e) Winkins Lane – Highways asked to look at the turning point which is a potential hazard. – On Great Somerford priority list. f) Priorities list – Flooding at Frog Lane and Pot Holes at Winkins Lane. To be sent to W C. –ACTION CLERK
025.16	<p>Litter Bins – Cllr Butler reported that she had surveyed the village litter bins and distributed a map showing the bin locations. Following discussions it was agreed to relocate two of the bins to more suitable spots. Members to inspect the possibility of carrying out the relocations – ON GOING</p>
026.16	<p>Community Room – Nothing to report.</p>
027.16	<p>S106 update – Main priority – Upgrade of Glebe Field footpath</p> <p><u>S106 Agreements outstanding</u> - Springfields Dauntsey Road. – £1,058 now available. Scheme to be agreed. Glebe Field footpath suggested – information for completion of the funding application needed.</p> <p>Enquiries made in relation to the Brown Leaves development – Ongoing.</p>
028.16	<p>Items for Action</p> <p>Community School Management – Cllr Jevons reported that he agreed to lend 25 steel/plastic chairs to the band for the fete which takes place on Friday 10th June.</p> <p>Play area - Cllr Butcher reported that the play area was looking good. Thanks were relayed to Colin Roberts for helping with the clearing up.</p> <p>Recreation Area – Nothing to report</p>

029.16	<p>Neighbourhood Plan – Cllr Sturgis reported that due to recent government changes in the required ratio of affordable homes per site, progress on Neighbourhood Plans throughout Wiltshire has been delayed.</p> <p>Consideration for approval of our NP for submission to Wiltshire Council for their six week consultation is planned for the July PC meeting. All being well, the village referendum could take place late 2016/early 2017.</p>
030.16	<p>Finance – A report previously circulated.</p> <p>a) Receipts since 11th May 2016 totalled - £1,460.72</p> <p>b) Payments approved at this meeting totalled - £3,658.24</p> <p>c) Bank Account balances as at 26th May 2016 – (before the above payments) Current account £11,513.87, Deposit account £5,713.85 – total £17,227.72</p> <p>d) An Internal Auditor for year 2016/2017 still to be appointed.</p>
031.16	<p>Correspondence as received - Play equipment information - noted</p>
032.16	<p>Councillors Reports and items for the next agenda. Next meeting will be the 13th July.</p> <p>Cllr Butler reported that the phone box was not being taken care of. She agreed to take this on. A note to be placed in the Signpost reminding all that the phone box is for book exchange only. ACTION CLERK</p> <p>Cllr Butler reported that the bus shelter had been cleaned and the invoice to be settled at the next meeting.</p>

MEETING CLOSED AT 8.56PM