

**MINUTES OF A MEETING OF GREAT SOMERFORD
(INCORPORATING STARTLEY) PARISH COUNCIL
HELD IN THE COMMUNITY ROOM AT SOMERFORDS WALTER POWELL SCHOOL
ON WEDNESDAY 3rd SEPTEMBER 2014 THAT COMMENCED AT 7.30pm.**

PRESENT: Cllrs S Jevons, (Chairman) R Hughes, H Cole, A Cook, J Loader, D Butcher, Mrs C Butler, M Hourigan, A Scott, Mrs S Webb, Clerk + 1 member of the public. Wiltshire Councillor T Sturgis stayed and presented a verbal report and then left.

MINUTES

061.14	Apologies for Absence
062.14	Minutes - The Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on the 16 th July 2014 were signed by the Chairman and adopted As a true record
063.14	Declarations of Interest - Cllr Scott declared a personal interest in item 9 of the agenda (Community Room) stayed and gave useful information
064.14	Public Participation – There were no questions asked.
065.14	<p>Wiltshire Council update - Cllr Sturgis reported on the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Core Strategy – The Inspector is happy and a final report is expected. It is still not clear if the 900 houses built west of Swindon are to be included in the allocation. • Emergency Planning event – to be held on the 15th October in Sherston – an invitation for two members is expected. Cllrs Cole and Butcher agreed to attend. • The consultation on garden waste has been extended. • 9.8% cuts are expected for Wiltshire Council’s budget next year.. • A Health Fair is to be held on the 10th September 5 – 7pm at Malmesbury Secondary School • Meeting soon with Matt Perrot and Mr Beavan regarding flooding issues. Also to be mentioned are Road Markings and pot holes in Winkins Lane. • The Parish Council’s request for a new village sign – Will obtain a quote. <p>Thanks were passed to Cllr Sturgis for his report.</p>
066.14	<p>Planning Matters</p> <p>Wiltshire Council decisions –</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a) 14/07581/TCA – Tree surgery at Carlyon Frog Lane, Gt. Somerford – Approved with conditions b) 14/06126/LBC Replacement windows, internal alterations to house, internal alterations to cottage and replacement garages at The Old Rectory, Frog Lane, Gt. Somerford – Approved with conditions c) 14/05800/FUL Conversion of dwelling into two single storey rear extensions and detached garage at The Hawthorns, Heath Rd, startle – Approved with conditions

	<p>d) 14/05444/FUL Replacement dwelling at Elmbrook, Startley – Approved with conditions</p> <p>e) 14/06571/LBC Single Storey extension at West Street Farm Gt. Somerford – Approved with conditions</p> <p>f) 14/07008/TCA Tree Surgery at 1 Paddock Close, Gt. Somerford – No Objections</p> <p>g) 14/05925/FUL The Old Rectory – Approved with conditions</p> <p>Applications considered during the recess:</p> <p>h) 14/06775/FUL rear extension, increase height of garden wall at The Grove Startley</p> <p>i) 14/06460/FUL Single Storey Extension at West Street Farm Gt. Somerford</p> <p>j) 14/06955/FUL Single storey extension at Wild Poppies, Riverside Park Gt. Somerford</p> <p>k) 14/07199/TPO Tree surgery at The Quacks, Manor Park Gt. Somerford</p> <p>l) 14/07008/TCA Tree surgery at 1 Paddock Close, Gt. Somerford</p> <p>It was RESOLVED to SUPPORT all the above applications</p> <p>14/06933/TCA Tree works at The Lodge Seagry Rd, Gt. Somerford – The following comments were submitted to Wiltshire Council: It was RESOLVED not to support this application in its present form as the application is incorrect. If the application has been corrected at the Planning Office then the Parish Council has no objections to the work being carried out. – The application has now been corrected and therefore it was RESOLVED to support the application</p> <p>Applications considered at this meeting 14/06088/CLE Clove House, Startley – RESOLVED to support this application</p>
067.14	<p>Cemetery Matters - Cllr Hourigan reported that the cemetery maintenance contractor quoted £100 to carry out the necessary works to the north side hedge. It was RESOLVED to accept this quote and Cllr Hourigan to oversee the project. The maintenance of the hedge to be built into the contract for next year.</p>
068.14	<p>Highway Matters - As received</p> <p>a) Speed Indicator Device for Startley - Cllr Hourigan reported that the situation had not improved and it was particularly bad between 9 – 11pm weekends. Speed humps were suggested to Wiltshire Council but rejected. The situation to be reported to the Police – ACTION CLLR HOURIGAN</p> <p>b) Clearing of ditches - Cllrs Loader reported that all was well. Cllr Butcher reported that the ditch at Moor Lane needs clearing – Cllr. Sturgis to be approached– ACTION CLLR HOURIGAN</p> <p>c) Footpath in Dauntsey Road- This has been approved and Martin Rose of Wiltshire Council is to walk the route in the near future to address any questions from residents.</p> <p>d) Village Highway issues - The next parish steward visit is on the 8th September – time to be established – Cllrs Loader, Hughes and Cook agreed to meet him.</p>

	<p>e) Invitation to submit locations for 20mph restrictions for CATG - A part of Dauntsey Road has been suggested - CATG are looking at an alternative solution to this problem that involves flashing lights etc. – On going</p> <p>f) Gt Somerford Signage - A more attractive sign has been requested - this to be discussed during the next Community Day visit. Cllr Sturgis to obtain a quote.</p> <p>g) Fly tipping – Cllr Butcher reported that it had been cleared off the road but not the field. As it is not on the highway there is no further action – CLOSED</p> <p>h) Moving of gate on school path – Cllr Butcher has sought 3 quotes one declined to quote – it was RESOLVED to accept the quotation that came with the appropriate insurance - £480. – Cllr Butcher to oversee the project –ACTION CLLR BUTCHER.</p> <p>i) Grass cutting within the school – Now done – CLOSED</p> <p>j) It was reported that trees are blocking street lights in two places – West Street, opposite Manor farm and junction of Gt. Somerford/Startley. This to be reported – ACTION CLERK</p>
069.14	<p>Community Room - Cllr Scott reported that the Fire Officer had visited and it was noted that the fire blanket was not in the correct position. This has now been rectified.</p>
070.14	<p>Future Objectives for the Parish Council S106 Agreements outstanding- Main priority - Upgrade of children’s play area.</p> <p><u>S106 Agreements outstanding -</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - 15 Winkins Lane. - £4,800 now used £1,000 yet to be used. - Springfields Dauntsey Road. - £2,116 ready for use. - This is two thirds of the full amount. - Possible S106 for Brown Leaves -Nothing to report
071.14	<p>Items for Action</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Community School Management – Nothing to report <p>Playarea –</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Report on the high fencing and planning – Cllr Butcher – the planning cost will be £97.50 – One quote received – more quotes to be sought – ACTION CLLR BUTCHER • Smoke Free play area - information circulated – It was RESOLVED not to proceed with this initiative as the signs would be intrusive. • Notification that the play area inspection will take place in September. • Safety matting order to be chased – ACTION CLERK • It was reported that part of the fencing is broken or in need of repair– this to be repaired – Members agreed to look into this. • The play equipment for toddlers researched by Mrs Lydiate is on hold until the more urgent matter of the fencing can be resolved.

072.14	<p>Neighbourhood Plans - Cllr Jevons reported that the Steering Group was making progress. There will be two public viewing sessions on the Sunday September 21st 10.00am to 2.00pm and Tuesday 23rd September 6.00pm to 9.00pm in Great Somerford School Hall when public comments can be recorded. All residents of Great Somerford and Startley will be notified of these meetings by letter drop.</p> <p>Funding the N P was questioned – Cllr Jevons explained that following the above mentioned two meetings Wiltshire Council will review the work carried out to date and a decision is to be made as to whether Consultants will need to be involved – if so a grant will be applied for. It was noted that administration costs were to be met and therefore it was RESOLVED to grant £250 (totalling £500) towards this cost.</p>
073.14	<p>Bus Services – Nothing further to report</p>
074/14	<p>Dog Fouling/Relocation of Dog Bin – Dog fouling in the village has now reached a serious health risk to children and cattle. If the situation does not improve then fields may be closed to dog walkers. The Dog Warden to be notified of the situation and asked to make frequent patrols of the areas affected. Also a strong message to be placed in the Signpost –ACTION CLERK</p>
075.14	<p>Finance A report covering A, B, and C was previously circulated and it was RESOLVED to accept this report as a true record.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) Receipts since 16th July total - £329.39 b) Payments approved at this meeting total - £1,391.22 c) Bank Account balances as at 21st August 2014 – Current account - £11,382.70, Deposit account - £5,708.88 – total £17,091.58 d) Bank Signatories – The Clerk reported that the signatories on the accounts needed to be reviewed and agreed with the bank. It was also RESOLVED to appoint a new signatory and it was unanimously agreed to appoint Cllr Butcher who agreed to become a signatory. The relevant action and forms to be completed – ACTION CLERK
076.14	<p>Correspondence as received</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) Information on Wiltshire Council development workshops - Circulated – Noted b) Notification of road closure - circulated - Noted c) Wiltshire Fire and Rescue service information – Noted d) Comment sent in support of Christian Malford’s application to designate Christian Malford Neighbourhood Area. – Noted e) Letter from a resident regarding road safety at West Street, Gt. Somerford. – The letter raises an issue of speeding traffic on narrow/single track roads. Improved signage and raising the height of curb stones has been suggested. Following discussions it was agreed to support this letter by raising the issue with Wiltshire Highways – ACTION CLERK
077.14	<p>Councillors Reports and items for the next agenda. Next meeting 15th October 2014 – Nothing to report</p>

MEETING CLOSED AT 9.10PM