

# Stonehouse Town Council



**MINUTES (subject to agreement at the next Committee meeting)**  
**OF A MEETING OF THE REGENERATION & ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE HELD ON**  
**MONDAY 24<sup>TH</sup> JUNE 2013 AT 7PM IN THE TOWN HALL, HIGH STREET, STONEHOUSE.**

**Present:**

**Councillors** Clare Sheridan (Convenor of Committee)  
Chris Brine (Chair of Town Council)  
Simon Lewis (Vice Chair of Town Council)  
Carol Kambites  
Robin Waite (Deputy Convenor of Committee)

**Also Present:** Town Clerk Gill Jennings

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**K2/12 TO RECEIVE APOLOGIES**

Apologies were accepted from David Drew.

**K2/13 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

Councillor Waite declared a possible pecuniary interest in item K2/19.

**K2/14 TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON 20<sup>TH</sup> MAY 2013**

The Minutes of the Committee meeting held on 20<sup>th</sup> May 2013 were approved.

**K2/15 DEVELOPMENT CONTROL PANEL**

The D.C.P. met prior to this Committee meeting and a report will be given.

The Panel were made aware of the District Council's format of consultation/notification in future planning matters. In future the Town Council would be informed but not consulted on domestic extensions, COU office to residential, COU commercial to school, COU agricultural to commercial, temporary COU for schools (1 year), temporary COU shops and offices (2 years)

**K2/16 PLANNING RESULTS (Received from Stroud District Council)**

**(For Members' information – the letter in brackets are an indication of the Town Council observation. N.O. = No Observations / OBJ = Object / SUPP = Support / DNO or Supp = Do Not Object or Support)**

**13/0406/HHOLD The Tynings, 28 Ebley Road**  
Proposed detached double garage and single storey rear extension with covered deck area over.  
**PLANNING PERMISSION GRANTED (N.O.)**

**13/0548/FUL Automatic Telephone Exchange, College View**  
Installation of 2 ventilation louvers in place of glazing on ground floor.  
**PLANNING PERMISSION GRANTED (N.O.)**

**K2/16 Planning Results** (continued)

- 13/0548/TPO      The Grove, Browns Lane**  
Various tree works.  
**CONSENT GRANTED** (N.O.)
- 13/0703/FUL      Wycliffe College, Ebley Road**  
New outdoor games courts with 3m high chain link fence.  
**PLANNING PERMISSION GRANTED** (N.O.)
- 13/0606/TCA      Unit 17, Button Mills Estate, Lower Mills, Bridgend**  
Trees in Conservation Area – fell two Alders to near ground level.  
**CONSENT GRANTED** (OBJ)

**K2/17 ENVIRONMENTAL ISSUES**

To hear complaints from residents of Burdett Close regarding commuter parking, to explain the response of Gloucestershire County Council, and consider what action might be taken by the Town Council. From correspondence available it appeared the County Council had previously proposed a one hour no parking restriction to prevent commuter parking. This was resisted by residents and the alternative of having a residents parking zone was also not welcome. Whilst there was no consensus of opinion on a method to resolve the parking issues it was difficult for the Town Council to put forward a proposal to County Highways. In the short term it was felt that better signage to the Town Centre car park might help. **Clerk to approach District Council/First Great Western for funding of signage, also to approach Network Rail regarding the footpath.**

**K2/18 ADJOURNMENT FOR PUBLIC PARTICIPATION**

A resident stated that with regard to K2/21 Ebley Road he felt there was an issue with the speed of traffic exceeding the limit. His observation was that as a driving instructor using that stretch of road on a daily basis it was clear that the speed was being exceeded.

Mr Callinan spoke to an item not on the agenda. He stated that the High Street was a menace particularly at Laburnum Walk junction and Glos County Council should reinstate the double yellow lines outside the Co-op. He would provide accident data from Glos County Council.

**K2/19 EMERGENCY PLAN**

To receive a report from the Working Group and to consider Parish Resilience/Adverse Weather planning:

**Councillor Waite was gathering information and would call a meeting before the August Committee meeting. There had been no response through the website to the call for volunteers.**

**The Committee considered the adverse weather planning questionnaire sent out by Gloucestershire County Council. This would be completed by the Clerk and noted within the Emergency Plan.**

To consider the Local Flood Management Plan consultation document (Glos County Council)

**The Committee had no comments to add to the document. Tim Davis (BARFF) to be contacted for his comments with a request that he assists with the Emergency Plan.**

**K2/20 NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN**

To receive a report from the Working Group:

**The Group had decided to put the parish boundary forward as the area for the plan.**

Neighbouring parishes would be advised in case there was merit in joint working on borderline issues.

**K2/21 TRAFFIC ISSUES**

Oldends Lane – A parishioner has written requesting the Town Council considers requesting the 30mph limit on Oldends is changed to 20mph – recent discussions with GCC suggest that they would not support this due to the bridge and crossing making natural breaks.

**The Committee agreed that there was an issue with speeding traffic on Oldends Road and it was desirable to increase pedestrian safety with a zebra crossing particularly in view of the youth club. This view would be communicated to Gloucestershire County Highways.**

Ebley Road – A parishioner wrote regarding the speed of traffic on Ebley Road.

GCC have responded to say that there is insufficient data to warrant further traffic measures.

Town Council are asked if they want to make any representations to GCC.

**The Committee agreed to recommend to Town Council that it undertakes its own speed survey of Ebley Road and other locations of the Town. Clerk to contact the Road Safety Partnership to make arrangements.**

**K2/22 BUS SHELTERS**

The Committee considered the audit report of bus shelters provided by Ralph Fletcher and agreed that the repair work should be carried out funded by the street furniture budget.

**K2/23 DATE OF NEXT MEETING**

5th August 2013 when Ian Crawley will attend to discuss Community Land Trusts

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