

STOGURSEY PARISH COUNCIL
DRAFT MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON TUESDAY 9th JANUARY 2024
at 1900. Held at in the Lord St Audries Room, Victory Hall, Stogursey.
SUBJECT TO APPROVAL AT THE NEXT PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

PRESENT:

Cllr Sue Goss (Vice-Chairman), Cllr Chris Ford, Cllr Allan Searle B.E.M., Cllr Gregor Millar, Cllr Scott Nurton, Cllr Sue Jones and Cllr Julie Jones.

In attendance: R Wand (Clerk), Cllr R Woods and 1 member of the public.

In the absence of the Chairman the Vice Chairman took the chair.

PUBLIC FORUM

- No items raised

23/129 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE:

Cllr Chris Morgan (Chairman), and Cllr Jenny Ody.

23/130 MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETINGS held on 12th December 2023:

The draft minutes of the last parish council meeting had been circulated. They were proposed as by Cllr G Millar seconded by Cllr J Jones and were unanimously **AGREED** for signature by the V/Chairman as a true and accurate record of the meetings.

23/131 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST AND DISPENSATIONS:

No further declarations of Interest and / or dispensations in addition to those already declared and available for public inspection, were made.

23/132 PARISH COUNCILLOR VACANCY

The meeting noted that no applicant had come forward.

23/133 UPDATE FROM SOMERSET COUNCILLORS

Cllr Woods and Cllr Davies had submitted written updates which had been previously circulated to the members were noted. Cllr Woods highlighted the concerns over phosphates and the mitigation matters surrounding planning matters.

23/133 LONG TERM ACTION LIST

No updates on items.

23/134 HINKLEY POINT POWER STATION

The Vice Chairman reported that the HPC DCO Amendment Consultation runs from 9.1.24 to 29.2.24 with a consultation event on 11.1.24 at the Victory Hall between 1500-1900 hours. This would be the subject of an agenda item for the next meeting to resolve a response.

A visit by East Suffolk Council Cabinet Members and Senior Leadership Team ahead of the start of Sizewell C build was also mentioned, which Cllr Searle and herself would meet with the team on 30.1.24.

23/135 FINANCE

a) The list of invoices for payment and monies received in November, (Appendix 1) and the Financial Statement (Appendix 2) had been forwarded to members before the meeting and are attached to these minutes. The Financial Statement was noted. It was **resolved** unanimously that the Invoices for payment were to be settled. All payments will all be made online, direct debit or by debit card. **ACTION: Clerk**

b) The meeting resolved unanimously to submit a precept demand for the amount required to meet the 2024-2025 budget of £38,525 to Somerset Council. **ACTION: Clerk**

23/136 MEETING REPORTS

- a) Town and Parish Clerks bi-weekly meeting. Not met since 13.12.23. When the Somerset Council budget issues were subject of a brief update at the start of the bi-weekly meeting and the need to set priorities for the LCNs was discussed. The next meeting was to be held the next day where more budget issues will form the majority of the meeting discussions.
- b) The Clerk also reported on an online update regarding Somerset Rivers Authority and ways land owners could assist in slowing water flows. He hoped to circulate the slides from the meeting at a later date.

23/137 NOTIFICATION OF FORTHCOMING MEETINGS

HPC Community Forum	18.01.24
HPC Main Site	29.02.24
HPC Transport Forum	14.03.24
LCN meeting	31.01.24

23/138 CORRESPONDENCE

The Clerk referred to the following matters amongst circulated correspondence

- a) Changes to Somerset Waste collections affecting the Parish from the week commencing 12th February 2024, which were noted.
- b) Correspondence regarding recent flooding events at Castle Street, Stogursey between the Clerk and concerned residents was considered and noted.

23/139 ENHANCEMENTS

- a) Cllr Searle asked that an electrician check the electrical circuits to the Christmas Tree as he felt that it made be degrading due to wear and tear. **Action: Clerk**
- b) The Vice Chairman referred to the organisation of the Remembrance Service, which the Church has co-ordinated may be a topic for the Parish Council to address in the future, along with road closures to ensure safety during the service at the Gravel. The Clerk was asked to research the matter and put an item on the agenda of the next meeting.

23/140 HIGHWAYS ISSUES

The meeting heard that flooding issues were still causing concerns for those trying to travel around the parish roads due to further winter storms and field run off.

23/141 PUBLIC RIGHTS OF WAY

No issues raised.

23/142 PLANNING APPLICATIONS AND DECISIONS:

Cllr Ody reported on current matters:

- a) Ongoing Matters
Appendix A to the agenda was noted
- b) New Applications;
None

23/143 DATE AND TIME OF THE NEXT MEETING:

Tuesday 13th February 2024 at 7.00pm meeting at the Victory Hall, Stogursey.

The meeting closed at 2020

Signed: (Chairman)

Date:

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Payments made since the last meeting on 12.12.2023

<u>Payee</u>	<u>Amount £</u>	<u>Payment Type</u>	<u>Details</u>
R Wand	699.19	BP	Clerk Salary Nov 23 (includes allowances, less PAYE & Pension contributions)
HMRC	201.98	BP	Employee tax & NIC (PAYE) & Employers NIC Nov23
NEST	117.93	DD	Employee & Employer Pension Contribution Nov 23
Cockwood Fabrications	540.00	BP	BRPA shelter removal and replace with bench
Microsoft	12.36	DC	Business 365 monthly fee
IONOS	5.99	DC	Website hosting monthly fee & Domain renewal
Cllr C Ford	264.99	BP	Reimbursement for Purchase of Ladder

Payments due 9.1.2024

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Receipts since last meeting

Bank Interest - Lloyds accounts	-	December 2023	£61.44p
Bank Interest - Cambs & Counties	-	December 2023	£132.16p

STOGURSEY PARISH COUNCIL**FINANCIAL STATEMENT - AS AT 31st December 2023****Balances as per bank accounts****30.11.23**

Treasurers Account	£824.22	
Deposit Account	£17,160.78	
Redwood Bank	£35,000.00	
Cambs & Counties Bank	£35,286.78	
Reserves & Grants Account	£36,408.94	£124,680.72

Plus Receipts - December 2023

Treasurers Account	£1,500.00	
Deposit Account	£19.75	
Cambs & Counties Bank	£132.16	
Redwood Bank	£0.00	
Reserves & Grants Account	£41.69	£1,561.44

Less Payments - December 2023

Treasurers Account	£1,571.46	
Deposit Account	£1,500.00	
Cambs & Counties Bank	£0.00	
Redwood Bank	£0.00	
Reserves & Grants Account	£0.00	-£1,510.02

Balances as per bank accounts**31.12.23**

Treasurers Account	£746.77	
Deposit Account	£15,660.78	
Redwood Bank	£35,000.00	
Cambridge & Counties Bank	£35,418.94	
Reserves & Grants Account	£36,408.94	£123,235.43

Less unrepresented cheques £0.00

Plus uncleared credits £0.00

Available Funds at 31.12.2023**£123,235.43****Balance as per cash book**

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Summary of Reserve Bank Account @ 31.12.2023

£1,621.89	Ext Grant - Stogursey Oral History Project]
£3,859.27	Ext Grant - Castle St Flood Scheme]
£226.84	Ext Grant - Castle St Flood Scheme Contingency]
£41,585.90	Ext Grant - (from HPC) - Lenghtsman Scheme] Not PC Funds
£0.00	Ext Grant - (From HPC) - Rural Parking Fund]
£1,305.37	Fingerposts project grants]
£5,000.00	Road Safety -SIDs Project]
£1,449.94	Ext Grant - Growing for Health and Wellbeing]
£90.00	Allotment Refundable Deposits]
£55,139.21	Total External Grants]
£1,283.66	Interest to 31.12.23	Lloyds/C&C/Redwood	Reserves a/cs only
£5,000.00	Multi Sports Area		
£2,250.00	SWTC Election Costs 2022/2027		
£700.01	Laptop		
£4,500.00	BRPA essential maintenance		
£2,000.00	Refurbish the Pound		
£5,000.00	Grounds and maintenance		
£4,500.00	Defibrillator (annual build-up of funds)		
£25,280.00	Contingency		
£1,175.00	Reopening Grant - Bench on The Gravel		
£51,688.67	Total PC funds		
£106,827.88	TOTAL IN RESERVES'		
	ACCOUNTS		