#### LIMPLEY STOKE PARISH COUNCIL MINUTES OF THE ORDINARY MEETING OF THE PARISH COUNCIL

Held at the Village Hall on the 7th of November 2023 at 7.00pm

**Councillors**: Mr Ian Barnes (IB), Francis Firmstone (FF), Lucy Poloniecka (LP), Mandy Majendie (MM), Sara-Jane Socha (SJS), Chimene Roberts (CR), Elaine Curtin (EC) Nicky Boulton (NB), Jane Darling (JD), Mr Johnny Kidney (JK) (County Councillor for Winsley and Westwood

#### Apologies: None

In Attendance: Bryony Kohn (Parish Clerk)

#### Members of the public: None

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Item	Action
083/23 Co-Option of new councillor to Limpley Stoke Parish Council	
MM proposed to co-opt Jane Darling to the LSPC LP seconded the proposal The councillors voted unanimously to co-opt Jane Darling to the Limpley Stoke Parish Council.	
084/23 Declarations of Interest None	
085/23 Open Forum	
a. Public address	
None <b>b. Unitary Councillor for Winsley and Westwood Report-</b> Mr Johnny Kidney (JK)	
JK reported the Gas work repairs in Lower Stoke and Crowe Hill would run from January until May and would cause residents disruption.	
JK confirmed to the PC that the 94 bus would now continue in its present form and timetable until April, with additional funding from	

Wiltshire CC. However, the route during January to May, will need to be adjusted to accommodate the road closure around the Lower Stoke/ Crowe Hill areas.

The Bradford on Avon rail works are scheduled to be finished at the end of November.

The repairs at the Staverton Bridge area are ahead of schedule. The consultation on local buses ends on Friday 10<sup>th</sup> November. The Local Plan Consultation runs until the 22<sup>nd</sup> of November.

JK reported that the consultation on a smoke free generation by the government would run until the 22<sup>nd of</sup> December.

Health activity tracking devices can be borrowed from local libraries to check blood pressure etc

Wiltshire are on track to be carbon neutral by 2030.

The traffic meeting held last week in Bradford-on-Avon discussed a hybrid one way system as a possible aid to the traffic congestion in the town.

Large lorries travelling down Winsley Hill, continue to cause problems especially when encountering the low railway bridge. In some instances causing damage to the bridge. JK suggested more photographic evidence should be sent to him.

## 086/23 Minutes

The Minutes (previously distributed to Councillors for comment) of the Ordinary Meeting of the Parish Council held on the 3<sup>rd</sup> of October 2023, were approved with no comment and were signed off as an official record by the Chair of the meeting.

## 087/23 Financial Items (BK)

Approval of payment of invoices and notification of receipts.

- 1. SO171 B Kohn– Clerk salary: Decision: Approved
- 2. DD331 Idverde- Playpark Litterbin emptying, Oct: £18.25 Decision: Approved
- DD332 Playsafety Ltd– Annual Inspection: £123.60
  Decision: Approved
- 4. DD333 B Kohn– Ex Cllr flowers/condolences cost: £50.94 Decision: Approved

# 5. DD334 F Firmstone– Noticeboard screens: £342Decision: Approved

## 088/23 Playsafety Play Park Report

SJS has analysed the annual safety report. There are no "red flag" areas, however, there is one amber flag regarding the climbing ramp piece of equipment. SJS will contact a company to get a quote for a repair and a possible maintenance contract.

## 089/23 Councillor Updates

EE reported back on the views of Middle Stoke residents regarding possible white line painting to deter speeding traffic along the road. Residents did not feel that this would solve the problem and that a chicane would be a better option. This is not possible, as Wiltshire engineering division have visited the site and said that it would not be allowed.

IB suggested that another permanent speed indicator sign could be an option-located near the wall on the bend near the Rose and Crown building.

LP reported that scaffolding had been removed from The Hop Pole. Extra funding for the project was ongoing.

MM will be away in January, so the website updates will be affected. Richard Mann will be hosting a Biodiversity meeting on 2<sup>nd</sup> February 2024everyone is welcome

CR and MM reported that the Twizzle was very slippery. IB will ask the parish steward to try to clear the fallen leaves. CR to ask Alan Duck to cut the overhanging branches.

EC will contact the resident regarding the broken handrail and wire fencing on the footpath leading from the hall to the A36.

IB reported that the Residents parking on Lower Stoke would be researched further.

The steps of the War Memorial have been scrubbed and cleaned in readiness for the November 11<sup>th</sup> Remembrance service. IB, FF, and EC to attend. BK will arrange for the wreath invoice to be paid.

## 090/23 Any Other Business

None

**091/23 Date of Next Meeting.** – Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> November 2023 at 7.00pm.

The Chair closed the meeting at 8.15pm

Signed (Chair).....