

## STRETTON PARISH COUNCIL

### Minutes of an Extraordinary Stretton Parish Council Meeting on 17<sup>th</sup> September 2020 at 7pm held remotely by Zoom

**Members Present:** Cllr. Paul Finlay (Chair), Cllr. Greg Harker, Cllr. Michael Arnold, Mrs Jayne Isaac (Clerk)

4 members of the public attended

Ref	Item
133/20	<b>To receive apologies</b>
	Apologies were received from Cllr. Brian Lester and Cllr. Richard Foster, Cllr. Nick Begy (Ward Member).
134/20	<b>To receive Declarations of Pecuniary Interests on items in the agenda</b>
	There were no unregistered pecuniary interests declared. Cllr. Greg Harker pointed out that although he works closely with Helen Hall on projects in the village, there were no financial interests.
135/20	<b>Planning – to receive the following</b>
135.1	<p><b>Application: 2020/0975/FUL</b> – Proposal: Removal of Condition 4 (Annexe shall not be occupied at any time other than for purposes ancillary to the residential use of the dwelling house known as Rectory Farm, Rookery Lane Stretton) of Planning Application 2016/0445/FUL – Proposed single storey extension to include “granny annexe” orangery and internal alterations. Demolition and replacement of detached vehicular garage. Annexe Highfield Farm, Rookery Lane, Stretton.</p> <p>The Chair read out a statement received from Cllr. Richard Foster with his views on the Planning Application, as he was unable to attend in person – <i>See Annex to Minutes</i>.</p> <p>All members voted in favour of the proposal for the formal use of the Highfield Farm annexe for self-catering accommodation.</p> <p>Proposed by Cllr. G. Harker, seconded by Cllr. M. Arnold, and unanimously agreed on the decision to “Support” the application with the following comments:</p> <p>“Stretton Parish Council noted that the planning application had attracted both positive and negative comments from local residents. Following discussion and taking into the account the application concerns use of the building (Granny Annexe) only, the PC does not consider there were grounds for objection.</p> <p>SPC notes the very positive comments from other residents who commented that none of the AirBnB dwellings in the village caused any problem and indeed they provided a welcome income stream to our village Inn, created local employment and supported the Rutland tourist industry. Looking on AirBnB, their property is clearly very well run as reviews online show.</p>

135.2	<p>Particular mention goes to the applicants who are stalwarts of the village and embrace community spirit. For the village fete 2 years ago, attended by almost all residents and their family/friends, they allowed their land to be used free of charge. At the VE celebrations during lockdown, the applicants led the socially distanced singing. Also during lockdown the applicants were an integral part of the village support group, running errands, collecting prescriptions and delivering free eggs to shielding villagers. They also lead the annual singing of Christmas carols at the village gathering.</p> <p>SPC fully support the regularising of the arrangements contained within the application.”</p> <p><i>Action: Clerk to post comments on RCC Planning Portal</i></p> <p><b>Notice of Decision – Application: 2020/0689/FUL</b> – Proposal: Wall reinstatement in rear garden Jacobs Barn, Rookery Lane, Stretton. Planning permission granted.</p>
<b>136/20</b>	<b>To consider SPC response to the consultation on Rutland Local Plan</b>
	It was noted that the proposal on Woolfox was not mentioned in the Rutland Local Plan. With regard to the process and soundness of the Local Plan, there were no comments to make.
<b>137/20</b>	<b>To consider SPC response on the consultation on the Planning White Paper</b>
	After discussion, all members agreed there was nothing major on the Planning White Paper for SPC comment on.
<b>138/20</b>	<b>Clearing of footpath to the rear of “Threeways Cottage”</b>
	It was noted that workmen had been out to the footpath and it had been cleared. This issue is now closed.
<b>139/20</b>	<b>Any other Business</b>
	<p>Today a planning application has been received in respect of the proposed Motorcross site to the south of Stretton Parish, adjacent to the Great North Road. Any comments are to be submitted by 8<sup>th</sup> October. It was questioned as to whether another Extraordinary Meeting needs to be scheduled to discuss the application, as it is questionable as to whether this is in the boundary of Stretton. After discussion it was agreed to put the Planning Application on the SPC website and ask members who wish to comment, to email the Clerk on <a href="mailto:strettonparishcouncilclerk@gmail.com">strettonparishcouncilclerk@gmail.com</a> by Friday 25<sup>th</sup> September.</p> <p>If comments are received from members of Stretton village, SPC will hold an Extraordinary Meeting on Monday 5<sup>th</sup> October to discuss the application and put forward a response from the parish council.</p> <p><i>Action: Clerk to put Planning Application with notice on SPC website.</i></p>
<b>140/20</b>	<b>Date and time of next meeting</b>
	<p>Extraordinary Meeting – Monday 5<sup>th</sup> October at 7pm (if necessary)</p> <p>Next full Parish Council Meeting - Thursday 29<sup>th</sup> October 2020 at 7pm by Zoom.</p>

Meeting ended at 7.30pm

Draft Minutes issued on 21<sup>st</sup> September 2020

The Minutes were approved at the Parish Council Meeting held on 29<sup>th</sup> October 2020.

A signed copy is held on file.

Chair Signature \_\_\_\_\_