

STOKE ST. MICHAEL PARISH COUNCIL

To all Members of Stoke St Michael Parish Council

You are hereby summoned to attend an online meeting of Stoke St Michael Parish Council for the purpose of transacting the following business

Kate Egan **Clerk to the Council**

Agenda for the Meeting of STOKE ST MICHAEL PARISH COUNCIL To be held online on 3rd September at 7.30pm

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81778574265?pwd=Y3F4bIA4THpremRxdW43bGNWNlJxdz09>

1. **Welcome by the Chairman**
2. **Apologies for absence**
3. **Absent**
4. **Declarations of Interest**
5. **Public session**
6. **County and District Councillor Reports**
7. **To confirm the minutes of the previous meetings held on 27th February 2020, 13th August 2020 and 23rd July 2020, previously circulated.**
8. **Matters arising from the minutes but not on the agenda**
Policies – to be approved and adopted
 - (a) Financial Regulations
 - (b) Standing Orders
 - (c) Social Media Policy
 - (d) Appointment of a Webmaster
 - (e) Data Protection Policy
 - (f) List of Dates for Future Meetings 2020-2021
9. **To Be Resolved**
 - (a) Response from Tree Surgeons regarding the tree in St Michaels Close
 - (b) Parish Council Representative on the War Memorial Hall Committee
 - (c) To confirm that the Parish Council are Custodian Trustees of the War Memorial Hall and the Community Playing Field
 - (d) Consider the report from MBC Traffic Consultation on the Traffic Plan
 - (e) Lychgate Cleaning
 - (f) Consider the appointment of a Lengthsman for the Parish

10. Planning Applications – If other planning applications are received between the date of this notice and the date of the meeting, they may be considered.

(a) 2020/1606/HSE – Make changes to the roof design to form rooms in the roof. From dormer windows as drawings. Form extension to front elevation.

Location – Beacon House, Old Frome Road, Doulling, Shepton Mallet, BA4 4LB

11. Clerk's Report

(a) Notification from Somerset County Council regarding the faulty gate post leading from Stoke Hill to the Playing Fields. The initial response was that the gate was going to be removed completely but not replaced as it is not necessary for livestock. Upon receiving comments that doing this would cause concern and would be dangerous for pedestrians exiting the pathway, Somerset County Council was contacted again and the response was they thought that might be the consensus, they will have another look at it and see if the gate can be replaced with something they have in stock and to leave it with them.

(b) A request was received from Somerset County Council as to the state of the Grit Bins within the parish, these were checked and reported back

(c) A report was received about the state of road along Green Lane and the increasing size and number of potholes. This was reported to Somerset Highways, reference number 573161.

12. Finance

Bank Balances as at: - 6th August 2020

Business Account - £14,881.72

Reserve Account - £29,878.03

Receipts

(a) Interest on the Reserve Account - £0.59

Payments

(a) Postage - £2.60

(b) Primrose Garden Maintenance (June and July) - £1302.86

(c) Clerks Salary - £258.96

(d) Ionos invoice – Web Hosting - £12.00

(e) Replacement cheque for cheque number 599 issued on 27th February 2020, the cheque has gone missing and has not been cashed.

Hall hire for parish council meetings held in the Memorial Hall - £148.00

13. Correspondence

(a) A copy of a letter from David Fothergill with the Business Plan for One Somerset was forwarded on 31st July 2020.

(b) The Joint Statement from the leaders of the District Councils regarding One Somerset was forwarded on 30th July 2020.

(c) A survey was forwarded from Mendip District Council regarding public transport.

(d) A Press release was forwarded from Somerset County Council stating that Somerset District Council have now agreed to work towards a plan to abolish themselves and create two new unitary authorities across Somerset.

(e) A letter was forwarded from Mendip District Council regarding a project that aspires to reduce the volume of commuter related vehicles in the District, through the creation of an integrated network of multi-user paths that facilitate walking and cycling to work.

(f) Consultation on changes to the current planning system – forwarded 14th August 2020

(g) Consultation on planning for the future white paper – forwarded 14th August 2020

(h) Consultation on transparency and competition (land control) – forwarded 15th August 2020.

14. Matters to report/items for next agenda

15. Date and time of next meeting: Thursday 15th October via Zoom