

STOKE ST. MICHAEL PARISH COUNCIL

To all Members of Stoke St Michael Parish Council

You are hereby summoned to attend a 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 on Thursday 4th January 2024 at Stoke St Michael War Memorial
Hall**

Starting at 7.30pm

- 1. Welcome by the Chairman**
- 2. Apologies for absence**
- 3. Absent**
- 4. (a) To receive declaration of interest from Councillors on items on the agenda**
(b) To receive written requests for dispensations for disclosable pecuniary interests
Cllr Nick Corbett has a written request for dispensation in relation to War Memorial Hall Matters for four years (expires June 2026). Cllr Anna Mears has a written request for dispensation in relation to the Millennium Wood for four years (expires September 2027). Cllr Keith Hambly has a written request for dispensation in relation to Stoke St Michael Community Field for one year (expires September 2024).
(c) To grant any requests for dispensation as appropriate.
- 5. Public Session**
- 6. Somerset Councillor Reports**
- 7. To confirm the minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on 23rd November 2023, previously circulated**
- 8. Matters arising from the minutes but not on the agenda**
- 9. 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) 2023/2232/FUL** Erection of detached dwellinghouse. 31 Moonshill Road, Stoke St Michael
 - (b) 2023/2293/FUL** Erection of stable building and creation of riding arena, along with associated muck heap (midden), turnout area and yard to include change of use of land from agricultural to equestrian. Barn Farm, Tadhill Lane, Stoke St Michael

- (c) **SCC/4079/2023** Application to vary Planning Conditions 1,7,37 and 38 of Planning Permission ref: IDO/M/24/B dated 11th July 1995 to amend the working plans, restoration requirements and end dates to facilitate the Extension of Stoke Quarry. (Notice of determination of conditions to which an interim Development Order (IDO) Permission is to be subject relating to IDO-M-24-B Section 73 Planning. Moons Hill Quarry Complex, Stoke St Michael.
- (d) **SCC/4080/2023** Section 73 Planning Application to vary Planning Conditions 1, 7, 37 and 38 of Planning Permission ref: IDO/M/26/B dated 11th July 1995 to amend the working plans, restoration requirements and end dates to facilitate the Extension of Stoke Quarry. Moons Hill Quarry Complex, Stoke St Michael.
- (e) **SCC/4081/2023** Section 73 Planning Application to vary Planning Conditions 2, 8, 49, 50 and 51 of Planning Permission ref: M25/1/76 dated 9th December 2003 to amend the working plans, restoration requirements and end dates to facilitate the Extension of Stoke Quarry. Moons Hill Quarry Complex, Stoke St Michael.
- (f) **SCC/4082/2023** Planning Application for the Extension of Stoke Quarry. Moons Hill Quarry, Stoke St Michael.

10. Planning Applications – Responses to be noted from Somerset Council

- (a) **2023/1593/HSE** Conversion of outhouse to ancillary accommodation with alterations. Shelving Close, Mendip Road, Stoke St Michael. **Decision** Somerset Council have approved the application.
- (b) **2022/1618/FUL** Formation of new overflow car park with associated access and landscaping. Duke of Cumberland Inn, Edford Hill, Holcome. **Decision** This was discussed by Councillors at the Planning East Committee on 5th December and Somerset Council granted approval.
- (c) **2023/1897/CLE** Erection of 2no timber garden building, 1 free standing metal shed, construction of ornamental pond and double gate access to the rear of the property with siting of oil tank in the car park. The Mill, Mill Lane, Stoke St Michael **Decision** Somerset Council have said the development is lawful.
- (d) **2023/2138/PAA** Prior Approval for a proposed change of use of agricultural building to a dwellinghouse (Class C3) and for associated operational development. Plot North of Somers Farm, Burnt House Lane, Stoke St Michael. **Decision** Somerset Council have given prior approval.

11. To Be Resolved / Discussed

- (a) Proposal to purchase 2 Speedwatch Cameras at a cost of £580 + VAT each, signs and fixing bands for a total of £1312.40 + VAT
- (b) Proposal to purchase a community noticeboard from Signscape and Sonex at a price of £798.59 + VAT
- (c) Proposal to accept the quotes for removing the brash from the Cemetery following the Hedge laying, attending to two trees within the Cemetery and one within the Churchyard.
- (d) Proposal to add further Councillors to the Bank Mandate to allow them to authorise online payments.

- (e) Proposal to bring the February and March meetings forward a week as they currently fall in the holidays, the new dates would be 8th February and 21st of March.
- (f) Proposal to approve the budget for 2024-2025
- (g) Proposal to approve the precept required for 2024-2025

12. Clerk / Councillors Report

- (a) Update from Cllr Amanda Taylor as to the availability of the boulders to line the edge of Moonshill Green.
- (b) Update from Cllr Amanda Taylor on whether a local company could supply a structural engineers report for the bridge on the Millenium Green.
- (c) The application form for the Unity Savings Bank Account is awaiting signatures from Councillors, once complete this will be submitted.
- (d) The Cemetery Hedge bordering the Cemetery on Mill Lane has been re-laid.
- (e) Nic Corbett has resigned as a Parish Councillor, the Parish Council would like to thank him for his time and support for the Parish Council.
- (f) The damages to the wall by the Millennium Green have been repaired

13. Finance

Bank Balances as at: - 21st December 2023

Unity Account – £45,182.90

Receipts

(a) Burial Fees - £332.00 – pd into bank on 27.11.23

(b) Stonewood Homes - £30.00 received 30.11.23

Payments

(c) Clerks Salary and Expenses – November £540.02, includes the annual pay increase and the backpay from 1st April from the national pay award.

(d) Clerks Salary and Expenses – December £365.30

(e) The Mendip Boundaryman – hedge laying - £500.00 – pd on 10.12.23

(f) Nick Fowler & Dean Loxton – Repair of wall - £490.00 – pd on 10.12.23

(g) Ionos – Web Hosting - £12.60 – pd by DD

14. Correspondence

(a) Councillor training courses for the Spring – forwarded 28.11.23

(b) Briefing Sheet from Somerset Council – forwarded 04.12.23

(c) Public Consultation on the Budget Setting from Somerset Council – forwarded 12.12.23

(d) Invitation and agenda for the next LCN Meeting scheduled for Thursday 11th January – forwarded 15.12.23

15. Matters to report / items for next agenda

16. Date and time of next meeting: Thursday 8th February 2023 (to be confirmed) starting at 7.30pm, Stoke St Michael War Memorial Hall.