

**MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE SOUTH NEWTON AND STOFORD PARISH COUNCIL**  
**Held in the Village Hall on Wednesday 5th April, 2017 at 7.30 pm**

**Present:** Cllr D. Blake (Chair), Cllr L. Sherlock, Cllr N. Blake, Cllr. H. Bryans, Cllr R. Henstridge, Cllr. J. Green, Cllr M. Pont, Cllr K Norman

**Also present:** Mrs C. Webb (Clerk), Cllr Peter Edge (Wiltshire Council)

**Apologies:** Cllr H. Swanton,

1. **MINUTES** – The Minutes of the last meeting on Wednesday 1st March, 2017 were agreed and signed as correct and an accurate account of the meeting.
2. **MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES.**
  - a) Stiles at The Folly, South Newton and Mount Pleasant, Stoford - Cllr. D. Blake confirmed in hand.
  - b) Re-painting of 30 M.P.H. sign Stoford. – Cllr D. Blake read out an email from Wiltshire County Council who detailing a proposal of works to be carried out at Stoford and asking for a contribution of £1,000 contribution from the Parish Council. Councillors voted to offer £500.
  - c) Parking Issues on hammerhead at Vale View Road junction – Cllrs. N. Blake and R. Henstridge confirmed this continues to be an issue and commented on the poor Police presence recently.
  - d) Loose slabs and kerbstones – Cllr D. Blake to investigate issue again and report.
  - e) Drain adjacent to traffic lights, South Newton – Clerk to email Highways for an update.
  - f) Wessex Drainage – Still not cleared, Cllr. N. Blake to investigate.
  - g) Replacement board for noticeboard, Stoford – Cllr. D. Blake has now obtained wood for repair.
  - h) Parking lines Oak Close and Jubilee Close, South Newton – Ongoing – reported to Wiltshire Council.
  - i) Potholes at Oak Close – Parish Steward has now resolved issues.
  - j) Grass cutting on Vale View Road Play Area – Cllr. N. Blake to arrange.
  - k) Bus shelter missing glass – Clerk confirmed reported to Wiltshire Council.
  - l) Potholes on roadway at South Newton Trading Estate – now resolved.
  - m) Parking of caravans at South Newton Council Car Park – Cllr R Henstridge to report.
3. **Wiltshire Councillors Report** Mr. P. Edge confirmed that:
  - There were three candidates running for Wilton and Lower Wylde Valley on 4th May.
  - The cost of green bins will increase to £44.00 per year.
  - Wilton Youth Club for 11-15 years – contact Jaki Farrell will email with details.
4. **Area Board Meeting** – Wednesday 31st May, at Broadchalke
5. **STANDING AGENDA ITEMS**
  - a. **Accidents** – None
  - b. i) **Declaration of interest** – None  
ii) **Planning applications** – Reference S/2012/0814 – Councillors discussed application and agreed to pass a “No Comment”.
  - c. **Rights of Way** – Cllr. R. Henstridge confirmed all pathways are in good order and being kept very tidy.
  - d. **Environmental/Amenities** – None
  - e. **Website** - Councillors agreed to cost of £5.98 and use of voucher to renewal of domain name. Thanks were passed to Mr. Wilton for his continued work. March 2017 was 6,405 which 700 more than the previous March.
  - f. **A36/C283** – Thanks were passed to the Parish Steward for cleaning out the drain and removing rubbish at Stoford bus stop.

g. **Parish Steward** – Clerk to discuss various issues which might be covered by the Parish Steward. Cutting back the hedge at the end of Vale View Road and cutting back the hedge at the top of South Newton Trading Estate.

6. **FINANCE**

- a) Payment to Clerk passed,
- b) Payment to H.M.R.C. – passed,
- c) Expenses to Clerk passed.
- d) Clerk confirmed Internal Audit will be available for Full Authority on 7th June meeting.

7. **CORRESPONDENCE:**

- a) The Army Engagement Group invitation – Council declined.
- b) Houses of Parliament – Council decided to decline.

8. **VILLAGE HALL –**

- Breakfast morning on 25th March another good turnout.
- There will be no further Film Nights until September 2017.
- Quiz Night booked for Saturday 22nd April.
- Zumba Gold now running on Tuesday mornings 10-11 a.m.
- Details of all events are on the website - [www.southnewtonpc.org.uk](http://www.southnewtonpc.org.uk).

9. **COUNCILLOR'S REPORT –**

- **Cllr L. Sherlock** – requested a picnic table and basketball net for the Vale View Road Play Area. The firm responsible for the soil heaps on the industrial estate be contacted to make their fencing secure as young children were playing on top of the heaps.
- **Cllr R. Henstridge** – Confirmed will contact 9 Vale View Road, to ask for hedge to be cut back.
- **Cllr M. Pont** – Confirmed the No 2 service bus will change for two weeks to 21st April due to roadworks. There may also be time changes to the 265 bus service after 1st May.
- **Cllr H. Bryans** – Hedge encroaching road at Newlands, South Newton, Clerk to contact owner.
- **Cllr. D. Blake** – It had been reported that the play equipment on Vale View Road had been covered with Paintballs. Cllr. N. Blake to inspect and report back.

There being no further business, the meeting closed at 9.15 p.m.

**NEXT MEETING** will be the ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING which will take place on Wednesday 10th May, 2017 at 7.00pm, South Newton and Wishford Village Hall