



Minutes of the Stoke Orchard and Tredington Parish Council Meeting held on 6th November 2024 at Stoke Orchard Community Centre

Present – Cllrs. A Macdonald (Chairman), S Shorrocks, T Jukes, J Gilder, G Ferguson and A Troughton

Attendees – M Hinde (Clerk), 3 Member of the Public

Minutes

06.11.24.1	To receive and consider apologies for absence and confirm the meeting is quorate Apologies were received from G Fairbairn and B Cllr Mclain. The meeting was declared quorate.
06.11.24.2	To receive comments from the public on agenda items below – no decisions will be made on issues raised. Any items requiring decisions will be added to the agenda for the next meeting (NB Councils cannot lawfully decide items of business that are not specified on the agenda) Member of public 1 – There will be another Stoke Orchard flood warden so the load can be shared which is a positive thing.
06.11.24.3	To confirm and sign Minutes of the Meeting held on 4 September 2024 Council APPROVED minutes from 4 th September 2024
06.11.24.4	To receive a wildlife/nature enhancement presentation from Debbie Scott Debbie Scott gave a presentation on wildlife and biodiversity which will be added to the December Newsletter. Council AGREED to support by applying for grants but do not have funds to offer further financial support.
06.11.24.5	To discuss recent flooding issues and agree actions Rachel Seymour was contacted when Paul expressed an interest. Rachel confirmed that they were recruiting. Paul has agreed to be Stoke Orchard flood warden working alongside Richard flood warden for Tredington.
06.11.24.6	To receive clerks report Clerks report received as per APPENDIX 1
06.11.24.7	To receive a report from the Borough Councillor Borough Councillor report as per APPENDIX 2

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06.11.24.8	<p>To receive a report from the County Councillor None. Last attendance February 2024</p>
<p>06.11.24.9 06.11.24.9a 06.11.24.9b 06.11.24.9c 06.11.24.9d 06.11.24.9e 06.11.24.9f 06.11.24.9g</p>	<p>Finance, all documents circulated prior to the meeting To approve October 2024 Payment List/those paid since last meeting, to note receipts and agree actions Council APPROVED Payment list totalling £1038.30 as per APPENDIX 3 To receive and approve the Bank Reconciliation Council APPROVED bank reconciliation as per APPENDIX 4 To receive and approve Budget Monitoring Report Council APPROVED budget monitoring report as per APPENDIX 5 To receive the External Audit Report from PKF Littlejohn and agree actions Council received the external audit report where it was confirmed no issues were found. To discuss the use of CIL and the use of Financial Planning Strategy and agree actions Council AGREED to hold an additional meeting to discuss finances on Thursday 21st November To discuss recent flooding issues and agree actions Duplicate of agenda item 5 To consider switching the bank account and agree actions Council AGREED due to the monthly amount being so small there was no need to proceed with this.</p>
06.11.24.10	<p>To receive an update on the Community Centre, discuss maintenance issues and agree actions Council did not agree to spend money on a caretaker to help with the maintenance issues at the Community Centre</p>
06.11.24.11	<p>To discuss the proposal of the J9 M5 link with the A46 and agree actions It was confirmed that there is a meeting being held by the Junction 9 team on 23rd November at Ashchurch Village Hall. Council decided not to attend at this point but welcomed members of the parish to attend if they wished.</p>
06.11.24.12	<p>To review quotes for the maintenance of Public Open Space and agree actions Cllr Ferguson confirmed that quotes were proving hard to obtain and he had only managed to get 2. Council reviewed the 2 quotes and AGREED to go with Smartcut for 12 months</p>
<p>06.11.24.13 06.11.24.13a</p>	<p>To discuss or confirm councils response to the following planning applications made since the last meeting and agree actions: Planning Application No. - 24/0045/TWS73W</p>

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<p>06.11.24.13b</p>	<p>Description - Variation of conditions 2, 4 23 and 24 relating to planning consent 18/0032/TWMAJW dated 30.04.2020 Location - Land To West Of Wingmoor Farm, Stoke Road, Bishops Cleeve, Cheltenham, Gloucestershire, GL52 7DG Council had NO OBJECTION to this application Planning Application No. - 24/0047/TWMAJW</p>
<p>06.11.24.13c</p>	<p>Description - Westerly extension to Biosolids Cake Liming Treatment for a 5 year temporary period. Location - Land To West Of Wingmoor Farm, Stoke Road, Bishops Cleeve, Cheltenham, Gloucestershire, GL52 7DG Councillors agreed to take further time to review this application Planning Application No - 24/00779/FUL</p>
<p>06.11.24.13d</p>	<p>Description - Proposed roof over an existing silage clamp with modification of the existing clamp walls. Location - Tredington House, Tredington, Tewkesbury Cllr Jukes and Troughton left the room 19:52 as they declared an interest in this application. Council remained quorate. Council had NO OBJECTION to this application Cllrs Jukes and Troughton re entered at 19:53 Planning Application No - 24/00850/PIP</p>
<p>06.11.24.13e</p>	<p>Description - Permission in Principle application for the erection of 1 no. to 9 no. dwellings on previously developed land. Location - Pussy Willows, Stoke Road, Stoke Orchard Council OBJECTED to this application on the basis of location. Cllr Shorrock to draft response and send to the clerk. Planning Application No - 24/00863/FUL</p>
<p>06.11.24.14</p>	<p>To note agenda items for the next full Parish Council Meeting Budget CSW Report Arranging a professional flood report</p>
<p>06.11.24.15</p>	<p>Date of next meeting – 8th January 2025</p>



APPENDIX 1

The clerk confirmed that 3 quotes had now been obtained to switch to .gov.uk domain and they were:

Parish Online - £250 + VAT annual subscription

Cuttlefish £760

Active Council £255

Council **AGREED** to proceed with Parish Online.

The clerk confirmed that the S106 money had been received totalling - £46,810.25

Council **AGREED** that this should be moved to CCLA account



APPENDIX 2

There is now a huge issue in the planning department as a result of this, there is a large increase in their backlog of applications, an estimated 107 increase leaving a backlog of 300+. They have made changes to the process which means less applications will go to committee and will instead be done under delegated authority. This is Coupled with removing the Parish Councils previous arrangement which allowed referral to planning committee re an objection to an application over 10 properties in size if officers are minded to approve. This has now been extended to 50.

I am very mindful of the time it takes for pcs to meet and consider application - and the 21 days allowed for statutory call in. It is disappointing that our amendment which would have required tbc to formally contact pcs and ward councillors before the 21 day count began, was rejected.

Officers advise that the annual rate laid down in the Government's "standard method" is currently 554 dwellings per annum. All local planning authorities are required to maintain at least five years' worth of supply of housing on a rolling basis.

TBC have now compiled the statement for the five-year period 1st April 2024 – 31st March 2029 which confirms we can currently demonstrate 3.65 years' worth of supply.

This means that for the time being the National Planning Policy Framework's (NPPF) "presumption in favour" of sustainable development continues to be engaged when dealing with many planning applications for housing in the Borough.

The Government is expected to confirm revisions to the NPPF following a major public consultation undertaken by MHCLG in the summer. If the changes were to be implemented as proposed, this would result in an increase in Tewkesbury's annual housing requirement of around 15%, compounded by the reintroduction of an additional mandatory 5% "buffer". Consequently, our 5 year housing land supply figure would need to be re-calculated and would drop significantly from the current 3.65 years.

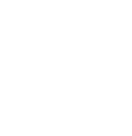
The revised NPPF is expected to be issued by the end of the calendar year

As I have mentioned before, the council has already made the decision not to contest any appeals following refusal - in essence giving carte blanche to developers. Under the duty to cooperate, Cheltenham and Gloucester housing numbers are also likely to be accommodated in Tewkesbury. (Between J9 & J10 M5). So from the Tewkesbury road up

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to Ashchurch , on top of the existing proposals, I fear we will see even further vast housing development with no recourse available.



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FINANCIAL REPORT FOR 06.11.24

Payments Made between meetings up to 31.10.24

Details	Amount
Ionos	12
Dewbar Fabrications	270
MJB Haulage	954
Clerk Laptop	379
C Roberts	1800
Cleeve Garden Services	540
Cleeve Garden Services	612
Clerk Expenses	59.99
Security 1	210
Typecraft	140
Typecraft	228
JB Extreme	1
Ionos	30
Garden Services	50
JB Extreme	53999
PKF Littlejohn	1008
Community Centra	437.5
Typecraft	62.4
Cleeve Garden Services	444
Dewbar Fabrications	631
Clerk Salary	938.57
PATA	31.05
Cleeve Garden Services	612
Clerk Expenses	12.6
Clerk Expenses	15.58
Typecraft	228
Typecraft	140
Ionos	12
Ionos	30
Clerk Salary	939.43
Total	64827.12

Receipts Received since last meeting

Tewkesbury Borough Council	14436
ccla	54000
Total	68436

Payments to be Authorised 06.11.24

Clerks Mileage	6.3
Typecraft 114853	130
Typecraft 114775	26
Cleeve Garden Services	876
Total	1038.3

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5 November 2024 (2024-2025)

Stoke Orchard and Tredington PC

Prepared by: _____ Date: _____
Name and Role (Clerk/RFO etc)

Approved by: _____ Date: _____
Name and Role (RFO/Chair of Finance etc)

	Bank Reconciliation at 31/10/2024		
	Cash in Hand 01/04/2024		393,973.36
	ADD Receipts 01/04/2024 - 31/10/2024		60,521.42
			454,494.78
	SUBTRACT Payments 01/04/2024 - 31/10/2024		91,714.01
A	Cash in Hand 31/10/2024 (per Cash Book)		362,780.77
	Cash in hand per Bank Statements		
	Petty Cash 13/07/2022	0.00	
	CCLA 31/10/2024	70,906.86	
	Hampshire Trust 236247 31/08/2024	125,000.00	
	Redwood 2 Year Bond 80140651 31/10/2024	131,062.50	
	Pockitt Prepayment Card 31/08/2024	101.06	
	Stoke Orchard Parish Council Bus 31/10/2024	22,268.02	
	Stoke Orchard Parish Council Trea 31/10/2024	13,442.33	
			362,780.77
	Less unrepresented payments		
			362,780.77
	Plus unrepresented receipts		
B	Adjusted Bank Balance		362,780.77
	A = B Checks out OK		

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Stoke Orchard and Tredington PC Monthly breakdown of Receipts and Payments

5 November 2024 (2024-2025)

All Cost Centres and Codes (Between 01/04/2024 and 31/03/2025)

	Budget	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Total	Variance
PAYMENTS															
Expenditure															
Clerk Salary		950.71	873.53	1,064.61	1,028.80	1,078.57	938.57	939.43						6,874.22	-6,874.22
Clerk PAYE and Pensions															
PATA			41.25				31.05							72.30	-72.30
Admin, Stationary, clerk		44.28	73.51	430.96	426.60	25.00	1,215.82	28.18						2,244.35	-2,244.35
Admin Fees		429.28	440.96											870.24	-870.24
Website		10.00	10.00	35.00	30.00		35.00	25.00						145.00	-145.00
IT Software and Maint								12.00						12.00	-12.00
Insurance				2,511.93		198.23								2,710.16	-2,710.16
Subscriptions			347.92											347.92	-347.92
Electric															
Training															
Internal/External Audit				390.00										390.00	-390.00
Telephone															
Newsletter		130.00	140.00	140.00	171.20		382.00	330.00						1,293.20	-1,293.20
ABEC BMS Monthly Ma					3.87									3.87	-3.87
Hall Maintenance				430.16			210.00							640.16	-640.16
Parish Maintenance		267.99			281.55	533.00	2,820.00							3,902.54	-3,902.54
Grass/Hedge Cutting		95.00		380.00		380.00								855.00	-855.00
Grants and Donations P															
Sundry-PC															
Contingency PC															
SOHL Expenses															
Bus Admin															
Bus Advertising															
Bus Cleaning															
Bus Maintenance															
Bus Fuel															
Bus Insurance, Licence															