

## STRATFIELD TURGIS PARISH MEETING

Minutes of the meeting held on 17<sup>th</sup> October 2012 at 5.15pm, Potters Cottage.

Present: Mrs Sheila Campbell in the chair, Mr Simon Boase, Mrs Sue Penney, Professor Robert Walker.

Mrs Campbell welcomed Mrs Sue Penney as a new member of the parish meeting.

Apologies: none.

12.10.01 The minutes of the AGM held on 15<sup>th</sup> June 2012 were approved.

12.10.02 The minutes of the meeting held on 3<sup>rd</sup> October were approved.

**12.10.03 Matters arising from the AGM minutes:**

a/ Flooding: problem of flooding in gardens of houses in Spanish Green and adjacent footpath. Simon will contact James Hare about providing drainage in adjacent fields and Matthew Beal about the footpath.

b/ Pavilion Lease: the lease is currently with the Cricket Club Trustees for signature.

c/ Pond: this will be discussed again in the Spring. In the meantime Sheila will consider the possibility of applying for an environmental improvement grant. Sue will ask Steve Penney for advice on pond management.

d/ Bulbs: Sheila has purchased a selection of bulbs and it was agreed to plant them on the verge adjacent to the entrance to Potters Lane on Sunday 21<sup>st</sup> October 2012, 11.00am.

e/ Parish Walks: Simon will put information on previous walks in the local authority magazine.

f/ VAS sign: Sheila to ask Mandy Jewell at the next Beat Meeting about siting a flashing 30 in Bottle Lane.

g/ Church: once the bat report has been received, permission for constructing offices in the church is likely to be approved. Simon to confirm with James Hare which churchyard trees will be removed. Sheila will check with the Planning Department about the Development Funds ( S106) linked to the development and whether the Parish is entitled to some of it.

h/ Website: the current site hosted by Basingstoke and Deane will close April 2013. Simon outlined what other parishes had done. Agreed Simon will produce designs for our new site in the next few weeks. A charge of approx. £50 per annum will need to be paid to the hosting company.

i/ Autumn Walk: the footbridge over the carrier adjacent to Turgis Court is no longer safe and has been closed. Simon will ask James Hare about an alternative route along the river and finalise the route for the walk on Sunday 21<sup>st</sup> October, start 2.00pm, Recreation Ground.

j/ Logo on village sign: agreed to ask Hampshire Highways that when they install new village signs to include the Turgis coat of arms.

k/ Broadband: Sheila is to contact BT about the current position of Broadband speed in the village and report at next meeting.

12.10.04 Matters arising from the meeting of 3<sup>rd</sup> October 2012.

a/ Recreation ground matters: the double gate has now been padlocked and the Cricket Club informed. Sheila has checked the ditch behind the pavilion and it is currently odour-free but will check again in Spring.

b/ Wildlife camera: agreed that a camera will be purchased and Simon will send Sheila the link so she can order a camera from Amazon (£180) plus SD and SIM cards.

12.10.05 Report on working party: Sheila, Simon and Robert tidied the recreation ground on 7<sup>th</sup> October. It was agreed to employ someone on a casual basis to keep the place tidy, one day each time. Simon's gardener has offered to do it, cost £100 per day. Sheila will get a second quote either from Mason's Garden Firm or from someone advertising in the Link.

12.10.06 Finance: our address for the bank will be amended from Basingstoke to Hook. Sheila checked with the Audit Commissioners and we do not need to make changes to our Financial regulations parts 1.5 and 4.6.

12.10.07 Risk management: it was agreed we need to get a tree surgeon to assess risk of trees around the recreation ground. Mary Walker to supply the name of the tree surgeon she uses.

12.10.08 Clerk's Correspondence.

a/ Flooding consultation: the site is open from 24<sup>th</sup> September 2012 for a six week period – [www.hants.gov.uk/flooding/floodriskstrategy](http://www.hants.gov.uk/flooding/floodriskstrategy).

b/ New School Year: leaflets for display reminding parents to register for the new school year in 2013. A copy will be put on our notice board.

c/ Audit Report: the report has been audited and there is nothing to consider. A copy will be placed on the notice board.

d/ Vote for Police Commissioner: the vote will take place on 15<sup>th</sup> November 2012. Information can be found at [www.choosemyppcc.org.uk](http://www.choosemyppcc.org.uk) and additional information will be delivered around 22<sup>nd</sup> October 2012.

e/ Hampshire Association of Local Councils: a request that villages with a shop should email Anne Harrison with the name at [anne.harrison@hants.gov.uk](mailto:anne.harrison@hants.gov.uk) Our shop is Turgis Green Garage.

12.10.09 Correspondence: Sheila reported she had received information on various grants and wondered if we could apply to one of them for a grant towards the carrier bridge (see item 12.10.03 (i)). It was agreed to wait and see what HCC and the Estate decide to do about the bridge. Simon will ask Matthew Beal about the bridge and the time scale for its rebuild. Sheila will ask June Balcombe if our website would be a suitable project for a grant.

12.10.10 AOB: Sheila asked Sue if there were topics which she felt had not been covered. Sue said she thought we should keep our water supply and the reservoir under review. One problem was notification when there were leaks and the water had to be shut off. It was agreed that Sheila would ask Mary Walker if she would be willing to circulate through her Neighbourhood Watch list when there was a problem. If Mary agreed then Sheila would ask the Estate to notify Mary when there was a problem.

12.10.11 Date of next meeting: Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> November 5.15pm at Potters Cottage.