

# Stoke Gabriel Parish Council

A meeting of Stoke Gabriel Parish Council was held on

Monday 24<sup>th</sup> February 2025 at 7 p.m. in the Village Hall, Stoke Gabriel.

Members present, Cllrs.H.Blowers, E.Bridge, M.Collings (Ch.) L.Grant, M.King, I. Simmons & J.Woodfield District Cllr.G.Yardy + The Clerk and two members of the public.

## **AGENDA**

01- Apologies. Received from Cllrs. R. Harris and J. Hawkins.

02. Declarations of interests. None declared.

03 To approve any Dispensation requests. No requests made.

The Council to adjourn for the following,

**Public Participation.** Two members of the public were present.

A question was asked about Boundary changes and where the Parish Council stood on this one. Cllr. Yardy was able to answer on this question and it will not affect parish councils. South Hams D.C. may become part of a Unitary Devon Council in time. Discussions have taken place but there is no decision on this at the moment. Another member of the public attended who is interested in becoming a parish councillor.

04. District and County Cllr`s reports. Reports were received from Cllr. Yardy which can be seen on the P.C. Website. He spoke about Torbay and Exeter Hospitals, Dentistry and the lack of N.H.S. Dentists. A question was asked about S.H.D.C. 2<sup>nd</sup> Homes Council Tax and this money will be put towards Affordable Housing.

The Council will reconvene to conduct the following Business.

05. **Minutes of Previous Meeting.** To consider, amend if necessary and approve the minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on the 27<sup>th</sup> January 2025 .these were duly signed.

06. **Matters arising from the previous Meeting Minutes.**

Cllr. Woodfield mentioned the N.H.P. and the notes which members had received from Cllr. Harris who was unable to attend the meeting .It was agreed that members would meet up and get the information together Ref. to Holiday Homes ,2<sup>nd</sup>Homes & Sites of Special Interest. This will be brought to the next P.C .Meeting on 31/03/2025.It was disappointing that despite an appeal for assistance from parishioners, No One had expressed an interest to help with the N.H.P.

A quote has been obtained ref. glass cabinet to keep the remembrance wreaths at the War Memorial. Further ideas to obtain prices will be investigated.

06.a) To receive information into change to a gov.uk domain. Cllr. King stated that this has been completed.

And setting up Instagram and Twitter X accounts.

Cllr. Simmons said that it was not easy to do this for the Parish Council. Cllr.Collings and Cllr. Simmons will work on a way around it.

07.a) To receive an update on the Ladies Toilet refurbishment .Darren Biggs has completed the refurbishment of the Ladies Toilet is complete with Disabled and Baby Changing facilities. The electric supplier has been changed to British Gas and it will be much less expensive.

07.b)To consider the way forward with the drainage and men's toilet facilities. Cllr.Grant reported that, Darren Biggs has come up with a plan to take away the surplus water to the drain in the vicinity of the Gents Toilet. To ask him for a quote for the work involved.

08.To receive a report on work being carried out to the boundary in Hoyle Copse.

Cllr.Grant reported that he had met with 2 surveyors on site. The boundary posts are there. To use the original survey and update the posts as necessary. The brash has been cleared and the 2 trees have been sorted.

09. To consider work that needs to be done in the Play Park in the Orchard.

Cllr.King reported that each S.H.D.C. Inspection finds faults that need to be sorted on their monthly inspection. After a discussion it was decided to consider renewing the area. It was proposed by Cllr.Collings and seconded by Cllr.King that quotes should be obtained to find out the costs. All Cllrs. were in favour of this.

10.To consider the need to review all the Council Policies.

Cllr.King stated that the Council Policies has to be agreed by all members for the internal Audit. All members please read through them before the next meeting 31/03/2025.

11. To consider the need for a tree survey. The last tree survey was completed in Oct.2023.Qoutes will be obtained to carry out the work.

12. For a member to represent the Parish Council on the Police Advocacy Committee.

The meetings are held via ZOOM Cllr. Simmons will be the new representative.

13. Financial Matters.

### 13. Payments to date.

P.Collings	£1,870.00	Work to the War memorial.
Al. Hudson	110.00	Play park repairs.
Netwise	10.00	Domain gov.uk
Skivvies	211.20	Toilet cleaning.
Source of business	50.35	Water Bill.
WBW	2,265.60	Ford House lease.
P.Bolt.	48.33	Compost Hoyle Copse.
Woodland & Country	400.00	Hoyle Copse tree and shrub works.
I.C.O.	47.00	Annual Subs to SLCC & DALC.
D.Biggs Construction	9,000.00	Orchard Paths Improvements.
R.Rowe	806.21	Clerk`s salary.
D.A.L.C.	18.00	Member training.

### Receipts to date.

C.A.P.Caring	750.00	Rent for Ford House.
Reserve A/C.	9,000.00	Transfer for Orchard Pathways

### 14. Clerks report.

The clerk reported that all emails received with information of interest to Councillors are circulated mainly on a daily basis. A lot of work has been completed by the Council recently including the refurbishment of the Ladies Toilet and the widening of the pathway in the Church Orchard.

### 15. Planning Matters.

Application 0036/25/FUL The Lodge, Duncannon Lane, Stoke Gabriel.TQ9 6QY.

This application has been withdrawn.

Vicarage Lodge, Vicarage Close, Stoke Gabriel. TQ9 6QT

Ref.027834 No breach of Planning Permission found.applicatonNo.2624/24/VAR Permission granted 5/2/25.

Aish House, Stoke Gabriel. TQ9 6PT

Application No.0370/25/ARC Application for approval of details reserved Condition 3 /Timber Doors/Windows. & Condition 4 (Slates.) The Parish Council has no objection to this Application.

Town Well, Paignton Road, Stoke Gabriel.

Enforcement case JG 028926.Case is closed.Ref.closure of gap in wall variance to planning Permission 1096/17/HHO.Case closed. No breach found. The Parish Council is not happy with this conclusion and will be pursuing the case further as it contributes to the flooding of the Public Conveniences.

16. Date of next Parish Council Meeting Monday 31<sup>st</sup> March 2025.

The meeting closed at 8.15p.m.

Rosemary Rowe.

Clerk to Stoke Gabriel Parish Council.

