

**A meeting of the Stukeley's Parish Council held in the village hall at Great Stukeley on Monday 4<sup>th</sup> June 2007 at 7.30pm.**

ATTENDANCE	M/s M.Reynolds, M.Monk, D.Middleton, P.Ryan, H. Raby, S. Lloyd, R. Turpin, D. Adams, Mrs. S. Parkin, County Councillors Sir P. Brown, L.Kadic and one member of the public.	
APOLOGIES	Received from M/s. J. Butter, R. Hulstrom, C. Cowdery, P. Hobson, D. Hossack, T. Pinner, Mrs. Gifford, District Councillors K. Baker and T. Sanderson.	
OPEN MEETING	There were no questions from the floor.	
CHAIRMAN	In the absence of Mr. Pinner, Mr. Monk took the chair.	
LORD RENTON	The Council observed a minutes silence in the memory of Lord Renton, whom the chairman described as a true man of Huntingdonshire	
MINUTES	On a proposal by Mrs Parkin seconded by Mr. Reynolds the minutes of the May meeting were approved and signed by the vice chairman.	
PARISH PLAN	The clerk reported that Mr.Dewar from CALC had double booked himself and was not attending, it was agreed that he be invited to attend the September meeting of the Council.	The Clerk.
STANDING ORDERS	As the adoption of these were a significant item it was agreed that a sub committee of M/s Ryan, Cowdery and Hulstrom would research all relevant matters and then produce a recommended draft for the Council at the July meeting. In particular Councillors agreed to consider carefully the issue of closed or open voting as this had been a contentious issue and it was appropriate that all Councillors come to the next meeting with a firm view.	Mr. Ryan,Mr.Hulstrom and Mr Cowdery, NB July agenda.
FUNDING	Mr. Ryan presented a draft of an item for the magazine that in essence, invited parishioners to nominate ideas for capital expenditure within the villages that would benefit the community as a whole, these schemes could be sent to either Mr. Ryan or the clerk and it was hoped that the Post Office would be prepared to receive items on the Councils behalf, then after a nominated period the Council in consultation with interested parties could evaluate and decide what could be afforded.	
PRESTLEYS	It was incorrectly reported at the last meeting that the County Council had put soil on the verge, this had actually been done by the developer who has since levelled it, it was agreed to monitor the situation over the coming weeks.	County Councillors & Mr.Reynolds.

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MINOR IMPROVEMENTS	A letter was received from the County Council in which they invited bids for schemes of £30.000 maximum to improve local safety on the roads. There was much discussion on the failures of the existing traffic management scheme through the villages, the main problem was the ineffectiveness of the gateway features, it was decided that the way forward was for Mr. Monk to evaluate all the suggestions and formulate a draft proposal for discussion at the July meeting.	Mr. Monk, July agenda.
MOTOR BIKES GATHERING	The clerk had received a further letter from Mr. Redmore who was still not entirely satisfied with the outcome, a second letter was received from Mr. Cox complaining about the same event. It was noted that those living near the event had suffered disturbance through the length of time and loudness of the music played and that the clerk should write to the Environmental department to seek advice and to urge that they respond as quickly as possible to the letter that Mr. Redmore had sent them. It was also agreed, that if the event was to be staged next year that the matter should be referred to that department for very careful consideration. The clerk was asked to acknowledge the two letters received and explain the action the Council proposes.	
PLANNING	<p>A letter from the District Council said that the new fence erected by the Church was less than two meters high and more than two meters from the highway and therefore did not require planning consent.</p> <p>Application 0701707FUL for a chimney and an extension to a dwelling at Mill Close Little Stukeley was approved as it was unlikely to impact on any neighbour and was in keeping. Proposed by Mr. Reynolds, seconded by Mr. Middleton and all in favour.</p> <p>Application 0701629FUL for new flour and oil silo's for Kitchen Range at Hinchingbrooke Business Park was considered in order and was approved on a proposition by Mr. Raby seconded by Mr. Adams with all in favour.</p> <p>Application 0701491FUL for an emergency generator and fuel tank at Kingfisher House, Hinchingbrooke Business Park was approved as it was perceived that it would not impact adversely on any other development in the region.</p>	

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CORE STRATEGY	Mr Monk reported that the concerns that Mr Butter voiced at the last meeting, he had looked into, the land referred to was not in the Stukeley's but in fact the land on which the old Silent Channel facility stands. A document on the strategy had been circulated and it had been agreed that this reply would be formulated at the July meeting	All Councillors
PLAYING FIELD	Mr. Raby reported that there was significant damage in places and that there was a large infestation of rabbits in the field and the rough ground to the rear of the public house, after much discussion the clerk was directed to write to Environmental Health at the District to seek their advice on the control of these animals.	The clerk.
CLOCK	As Mr. Pinner was away, the matter of St. Martins clock was deferred to the next meeting.	
VILLAGE SIGN	It was reported that the chairman had contacted, via the clerk, all councillors with reference to its repositioning, it was agreed on a proposition by Mr Lloyd seconded by Mr. Reynolds, that Mr. Parris be allowed to undertake the work, but also that this type of contact for decisions (email) be avoided in future, except in the case of emergency.	
NOISE LEVELS	A letter from a resident of Pringles Court to Councillor Baker complaining of noise emanating from RAF Alconbury site was read, as was Mr. Bakers reply. It was clear that environmental health were monitoring the situation, as was explained in the reply, after much discussion the clerk was advised to contact Mr. Baker to request that he updates the Council at the next meeting so that a course of action can be contemplated. The resident was to be advised of the action the Parish Council intended.	
FOOTPATH	A communication from Councillor Sanderson suggested that the District Council were prepared to formalise a pathway in the Hinchingsbrooke area so that when funds become available it can be surfaced, the Parish Council were asked to confirm that they were prepared to contribute £2500 to this work, the clerk was asked to do this.	The clerk

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TRUCK STOP	<p>Sir Peter Brown advised the Council that it was apparent that the current owners wished to close the site and it was rumoured that planning for either house or a hotel was to be sought, although no application had so far been received. He said the main concern was that 200 lorries parked there most nights, and where they would go if it were to close, he said both local MP's were 'on the case'. It was agreed that the clerk should write to the District Planning Authority to request consultation rights if such an application was lodged, as it was felt the impact on the villages could be quite severe.</p>	County Councillors
ACCOUNTS	<p>On a proposal by Mr. Raby seconded by Mr. Reynolds the following accounts were agreed for settlement. Pioneer Landscapes for grass maintenance £601.50 Printing Matters for magazine £62.00. EON Energy for electricity £59.16. Homebase for paint £79.22. Clerks Salary and expenses, which included painting seats, notice boards and milestone markers £301.85.</p> <p>The clerk notified the following income for the period. District Council Precept £8500. and Recycling credit £474.01. County Council grass cutting grant £1144.33.</p>	The Clerk
CALC	<p>Mr. Lloyd reported attending a meeting which he said was interesting! He said an item concerning adoption of a new code of conduct item was significant, Mr. Ryan said he was working on it but the deadline was October. Mr. Lloyd said that the meeting also revealed that shortly there would be no legal aid solicitors in Huntingdon and that the County was considering withdrawing the funding for grass cutting in future years.</p>	Mr. Lloyd.
OTHERBUSINESS	<p>It was reported that recent resurfacing in Little Stukeley area of Mill and Low Road had been of an unsatisfactory standard, a fact of which the County Council had been made aware and were agreeing that it was not satisfactory.</p> <p>Mrs Parkin asked if there was any restriction in lorry delivery and collection to local farms, the clerk said it was thought to be between the hours of 6am and 8pm.</p> <p>Mr. Turpin said that the editor had had several problems recently which had resulted in the late production of the magazine but that it was hoped that the situation would now start to improve.</p>	County Council
NEXT MEETING	<p>Will be on Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> July 2007 at Lt.Stukeley villagehall at 7.30pm.</p>	All

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