

# Stonehouse Town Council



**MINUTES (subject to agreement at the next Committee Meeting)**  
**of A MEETING OF THE REGENERATION & ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE HELD ON**  
**MONDAY 10<sup>TH</sup> NOVEMBER 2014 AT 7PM IN THE TOWN HALL, HIGH STREET,**  
**STONEHOUSE**

**Present:**

**Councillors:** Carol Kambites (Convenor of Committee)  
Theresa Watt (Vice Chair of Council)  
Vicky Redding (Deputy Convenor – Chaired the Meeting)  
David Drew

**Also Present:** Town Clerk Gill Jennings, Cllr Roger Govier

**K2/145 TO RECEIVE APOLOGIES**

Apologies were received from Janis Dyer and Chris Brine

**K2/146 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

None declared

**K2/147 TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON**  
**29<sup>TH</sup> SEPTEMBER**

The Minutes were approved

**K2/148 ADJOURNMENT FOR PUBLIC PARTICIPATION**

No adjournment was called

**K2/149 LORRY WATCH**

The Police and Crime Commissioner had issued a warning to local businesses that the B4008 would be monitored. Council felt it was important that GPS picked up the weight restriction. There were no weight restriction signs on the B4008 and this was a matter passed to Glos Highways and the County Councillor for attention. Currently there was no advantage in conducting a lorry watch.

**K2/150 HIGH STREET REPAIRS**

A meeting on 3<sup>rd</sup> November had taken place which was attended by Tony Cahill (Amey), Scott Tompkins (GCC) Lesley Williams (GCC), Mattie Ross (SDC) Chris Brine, Rob Waite and the Clerk. Amey had examined the options and felt that the way forward might be to re-tarmac the entire shared space area and make enhancements to the pavement to prevent over-riding, using street furniture such as planters and decorative paving. They would also look at making paved gateways to the area. New plans would be drawn up for discussion before Christmas.

**K2/151 PARKING ISSUES – KINGS ROAD & GROSVENOR ROAD**

A resident had voiced concerns re: emergency vehicle and bus access with cars parked either side of the road. Committee discussed this and felt it was a problem mainly due to school parking but should be passed to Glos County Highways for response.

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**K2/152 TO EXAMINE THE EMERGING STRATEGY OF THE LOCAL TRANSPORT PLAN AND THE LEP GROWTH PROGRAMME AND IMPLICATIONS FOR STRATEGIC SITES, THOSE PENDING DECISION & SDC SHLAA 2016-2021**

The Committee examined the sites which might be utilised instead of West of Stonehouse. There was concern that neither the LEP or GCC had consulted with the Town Council regarding changes to the A419. There was no consideration of the Bristol Road station as an alternative mode of transport and there was an implied planning gain from the West of Stonehouse application towards the changes. The changes also seemed to fit with the introduction of a petrol station at the Ship Inn Site. Committee requested the Clerk to arrange a meeting with LEP and GCC to discuss.

**K2/153 WEST OF STONEHOUSE**

The Committee were briefed on the Notes of the Technical Workshop Meeting held by Stroud District Council. The rationale behind the new housing figures was not explained in detail. Stroud District Council had consulted with participants who had challenged the previous housing figures. Stroud District Council indicated that parish councils would be able to respond to any main modifications to the Local Plan. The Town Council's planning advisor had been asked to prepare for this. An action plan with costings was being prepared.

The Committee discussed Terms of Reference for the representatives, but representatives felt they should attend a meeting of the action group first to get the measure of things.

**K2/154 CANALS PROJECT – EXAMINE WHETHER THERE ARE BENEFITS FOR STONEHOUSE I.E. PROPOSED USE OF SHIP INN SITE**

Other groups associated with the canal had expressed concern about the proposed use of the site as a petrol station which did not sit well with use of the canal as an attraction or amenity. The Committee would meet with the Canals Trust to discuss their concerns.

**K2/155 COMMITTEE EXPENDITURE**

1. The Committee agreed the expenditure to date.
2. The Committee were advised by Cllr Redding that she and Alistair Shankland had attended a meeting with Ricardo Rios, newly appointed by Stroud District Council to deal with neighbourhood plans. (District Councils had been given extra funding to resource neighbourhood planning groups). It was his opinion that the Town Council should delay completing their plan until after the adoption of the District Council's Local Plan in November 2015 otherwise it would not be successful. This went against advice received from Stroud MP and GRCC. Clerk to check with Locality. The Committee were concerned about the lack of momentum this might create for the NDP Group and the financial implications of administration over an increased period of time. The Clerk advised this might be dependent on the level of LCTS provided for 2015-16 and the budget would be revised to take account of this development if necessary.

**K2/156 CHANGES TO BUS SERVICES**

Residents had been completely thrown by the changes because timetables had not been issued to explain the altered bus numbers and routes. The Committee asked the Clerk to inform Stagecoach.

**K2/157 PLANNING RESULTS (for information only)**

(For Members' information – the letter in brackets are an indication of the Town Council observations. N.O. = No Observations/OBJ = Object/SUPP = Support/DNO or Supp = Do Not Object or Support)

**14/1981/HHOLD 20 Cotswold Green**

Convert existing rear conservatory to garden room with same footprint

**PLANNING PERMISSION GRANTED**

**(N.O.)**

**K2/157 Planning Results** (continued)  
**14/2102/HHOLD 141 Gloucester Road**  
Single Storey extension.  
**PLANNING PERMISSION GRANTED**

**(N.O.)**

**K2/158 GLOUCESTERSHIRE LOCAL FLOOD RISK MANAGEMENT STRATEGY**

The report can be found at <http://www.gloucestershire.gov.uk/LFRMS>

**K2/159 DATE OF NEXT MEETING**

**26<sup>TH</sup> JANUARY 2015**

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