STONE TOWN COUNCIL

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1 April 2019

You are hereby summoned to attend a meeting of the TOWN COUNCIL, to be held in St Michael's Suite at the Frank Jordan Centre, Lichfield Street, Stone on TUESDAY 9 APRIL 2019 at 7.00pm when the following business will be transacted.

Les Trigg Town Clerk

Agenda

- 1. To receive apologies for absence
- 2. Declarations of Interest and Requests for Dispensations
- 3. Representations from Members of the Public
- 4. **To Confirm as a correct record the minutes of the Meeting of the Town Council held** on 5 March 2019, Minute No's. C19/104 C19/112 (attached)
- 5. To receive the minutes and decisions of the under mentioned Committees:
 - a) General Purposes Committee Meeting held on 26 February 2019, Minute Numbers GP19/182 GP19/185 (attached)
 - b) General Purposes Committee Meeting held on 5 March 2019, Minute Numbers GP19/186 GP19/202 (attached)
 - c) Planning Committee Meeting held on 5 March 2019, Minute Numbers P19/091 P19/095 (attached)
 - d) Planning Committee Meeting held on 19 March 2019, Minute Numbers P19/096 P19/100 (attached)
- 6. **To receive the forthcoming Civic Announcements** (attached)
- 7. To receive the Town Mayor's and Deputy Town Mayor's Reports of Engagements (attached)

8.	Exclusion of the Public and Press
	To resolve, pursuant to the Public Bodies (admission to Meetings) Act 1960, the Public

and Press be excluded from the meeting whilst the next item of business is discussed on the grounds that publicity would be prejudicial to public interest by reason of the confidential nature of the debate.

9. To confirm as a correct record the confidential minutes of the Meeting of the Town Council held on 5 March 2019, Minute Numbers C19/104 and C19/112 (attached)

Members of the public are welcome to attend the Council Meeting as observers.

Stone Town Council

Minutes of the meeting held in St Michael's Suite, Frank Jordan Centre, Lichfield Street, Stone, on Tuesday 5 March 2019

PRESENT: Councillor Mrs K. Green in the Chair, and

Councillors: Mrs C. Collier, G. Collier, J. Davies, Mrs J. Farnham, I. Fordham, Mrs M. Goodall, M. Green, Mrs J. Hood, R. Kenney, P. Leason, Mrs E. Mowatt,

Mrs J. Piggott, M. Shaw and M. Williamson

ABSENT: T. Jackson, G. Neagus and A. Osgathorpe

Before the meeting began Mrs Lin Davies gave prayers

C19/104 Apologies

Apologies were received from Councillors: T. Jackson, G. Neagus and A. Osgathorpe

C19/105 <u>Declarations of Interest and Requests for Dispensations</u>

None received

C19/106 Representations from Members of the Public

This item is now suspended until after the Parish Council elections on 2 May 2019.

C19/107 Minutes

RESOLVED:

That the minutes of the Meeting of the Town Council held on the 5 February 2019, copies having been circulated to the members, be signed by the Chairman as a correct record, subject to the following amendments:

- Councillor P. Leason was not present at the meeting.
- Councillor M. Williamson was present at the meeting.

C19/108 Committee Minutes

RESOLVED:

a) That the minutes of the General Purposes Committee Meeting held on the 5 February 2019, copies having been circulated to members, be signed by

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the Chairman as a correct record, subject to the following amendment to Minute Number GP19/171:

Councillor Mrs J. Farnham declared a personal interest in item 8 (Minute Number GP19/177) – STING

b) That the minutes of the Planning Committee Meeting held on the 5 February 2019, copies having been circulated to members, be signed by the Chairman as a correct record.

C19/109 <u>Civic Announcements</u>

The Civic Announcements, which had been previously circulated, were noted.

C19/110 Town Mayor's and Deputy Town Mayor's Reports of Engagements

The Town Mayor's and Deputy Town Mayor's Announcements, which had been previously circulated, were noted.

Councillor Mrs Green informed the Town Council that she had attended Walton Priory Middle School earlier in the day for a Rotary Club Technology Tournament. She was proudly wearing a Town Mayor's badge which the children had made for her and had promised to wear it for the rest of the day.

The meeting was suspended to enable the General Purposes Committee and Planning Committee Meetings to take place. The Town Council was then reconvened for the confidential items on the agenda.

C19/111 To resolve, pursuant to the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960, the Public and Press be excluded from the meeting whilst the next item of business is discussed on the grounds that publicity would be prejudicial to public interest by reason of the confidential nature of the debate

RESOLVED: To exclude the Press and Public from the next item of business.

C19/112 Confidential Minutes

RESOLVED:

That the confidential minutes of the Town Council Meeting held on the 5 February 2019, copies having been circulated to Members, be signed by the Town Mayor as a correct record.

TOWN MAYOR

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Stone Town Council – General Purposes Committee

Minutes of the meeting held in Christchurch Suite, Frank Jordan Centre, Lichfield Street, Stone on Tuesday 26 February 2019

PRESENT: Councillor R. Kenney in the Chair, and

Councillors: Mrs C. Collier, G. Collier, J. Davies, I. Fordham, Mrs K. Green, M. Green, Mrs J. Hood, Mrs E. Mowatt, A. Osgathorpe and M. Shaw

ABSENT: Councillors: Mrs J. Farnham, Mrs M. Goodall, T. Jackson, P. Leason, G. Neagus,

Mrs J. Piggott and M. Williamson

GP19/182 Apologies

Apologies were received from Councillors: Mrs J. Farnham, Mrs M. Goodall, T. Jackson, P. Leason, Mrs J. Piggott and M. Williamson

GP19/183 Declarations of Interests

None

GP19/184 Requests for Dispensations

None

GP19/185 Neighbourhood Plan

The Committee considered the Neighbourhood Plan and local green spaces in light of planning application 19/29876/FUL submitted to Stafford Borough Council by LNT Care Developments, for the erection of a sixty six bedroom, two storey care home for older people, on a playing field adjacent to The Fillybrooks (A34), Walton.

The development site is identified as a Local Green Space in the draft Stone Neighbourhood Plan (Green Space 40) and Members expressed their strong concerns about the impact of Stafford Borough Council awarding planning approval. Such a decision would put the draft Stone Neighbourhood Plan (which has taken a number of years to produce at a cost of £25,000) and all other green spaces identified therein, at risk.

The Committee also expressed concern that national planning policy guidance had been disregarded. The Stone draft Neighbourhood Plan is at an advanced stage in its development (Regulation 16 and in the hands of the Examiner), and its content should now be given weight. This point is detailed in Paragraph 48 of the National Planning Policy Framework.

The Committee believed that Stone draft Neighbourhood Plan had conformed with Stafford Borough Council's Development Framework but the development of a care home on the site of a community playing field would not. Sport England have also objected to the development proposal.

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The Chairman advised the Committee that a sum of £9,000 remained in the Town Council's Neighbourhood Plan budget. He proposed that an estimated £1,500 of the figure is committed to appointing No5 Chambers (Fountain Court, Steelhouse Lane, Birmingham) for consideration of the case and potentially writing to the Secretary of State to ask for the planning application to be called in for his own determination.

After the proposal was seconded, a named vote was requested and everyone in attendance was in favour of the motion.

RESOLVED: To authorise the Town Clerk to appoint No5 Chambers to consider the case, provide advice, and write to the Secretary of State requesting that planning application 19/29876/FUL is called in.

TOWN MAYOR

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Stone Town Council – General Purposes Committee

Minutes of the meeting held in St Michael's Suite, Frank Jordan Centre, Lichfield Street, Stone on Tuesday 5 March 2019

PRESENT: Councillor R. Kenney in the Chair, and

Councillors: Mrs C. Collier, G. Collier, J. Davies, Mrs J. Farnham, I. Fordham, Mrs M. Goodall, Mrs K. Green, M. Green, Mrs J. Hood, P. Leason, Mrs E. Mowatt,

Mrs J. Piggott, M. Shaw and M. Williamson

ABSENT: Councillors: T. Jackson, G. Neagus and A. Osgathorpe

GP19/186 Apologies

Apologies were received from Councillors: T. Jackson, G. Neagus and A. Osgathorpe

GP19/187 Declarations of Interests

Councillor Mrs J. Hood declared a personal interest in item 9 (Minute Number GP19/194) – St Michael's Community Hall

Councillor P. Leason declared a personal interest in item 9 (Minute Number GP19/194) – St Michael's Community Hall

Councillor R. Kenney declared a personal interest in item 9 (Minute Number GP19/194) – St Michael's Community Hall

GP19/188 Requests for Dispensations

None

GP19/189 To receive the report of the County Councillors

County Councillor Mrs J. Hood

Councillor Mrs Hood had no report on this occasion.

County Councillor I. Parry

Councillor Parry was not in attendance at the meeting.

GP19/190 Representations from Members of the Public

None

GP19/191 Minutes

There were no minutes for consideration.

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GP19/192 Crown Wharf Development

The Committee considered a proposed Heads of Terms document* reflecting a potential agreement between Joules Brewery Limited and Stone Town Council for the Town Council to lease the old Fire Station building (as part of the Crown Wharf development) for its conversion and use as a Heritage Centre.

The Proposed Heads of Terms had been circulated with the agenda for the meeting.

The Town Clerk advised the Committee that the Heads of Terms allowed the Council until 30 September 2019 to make a firm decision as to whether to proceed with the development. This time frame would allow the Town Council to fully understand the costs involved and to submit an application for Heritage Lottery Grant Funding. If the offer to take on a lease of the building is accepted the Town Council would have until 30 June 2020 to complete the conversion works. This date would allow the spreading of the costs over two financial years.

The Town Clerk highlighted clauses relating to the requirement for the building to be illuminated, and clauses relating to termination of the agreement, should the Town Council in the longer term decide not to continue with the leasing arrangement.

Heads of Terms were proposed to the Committee for acceptance.

An amendment was proposed for the Heads of Terms to be looked over by a solicitor before they are accepted, but the amendment was lost.

RESOLVED: That the Proposed Heads of Terms between Joules Brewery Limited and Stone Town Council are accepted.

GP19/193 Debit and Credit Cards

The Committee considered the report of the Town Clerk* asking that support is given to the introduction of card payments for all Council services, and to consider its future position with regard to cheque receipts.

RESOLVED: That the Town Clerk is authorised to enter into an agreement with Sage Pay to provide a facility for the Council to accept credit and debit cards as set out in the report.

RESOLVED: That the Council works towards the elimination of cheques receipts, other than in exceptional circumstances, by 31 March 2020.

GP19/194 To consider the following request for a grant:

As the Chairman and Vice Chairman had both declared an interest in this item, the Town Mayor was appointed to take the Chair.

ST MICHAEL'S COMMUNITY HALL

The Committee considered the grant application received from St Michael's Community Hall requesting £500 for the provision of three extra radiators in the main room and loft insulation to prevent loss of heat.

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GP19/195 HS2 Phase 2a Additional Provision 2

- a) The Committee considered an invitation from Staffordshire County Council to submit comments in response to a consultation on the Additional Provision 2 to the Phase 2a High Speed Rail (West Midlands Crewe) Hybrid Bill (AP2) and Supplementary Environmental Statement (SES).
 - A copy of an email from the HS2 Project Manager at Staffordshire County Council had been enclosed with the agenda.
- b) The Committee also considered whether the Town Council wished to prepare a petition in respect of HS2 AP2.

A draft petition prepared by the Stone Railhead Crisis Group had been circulated to Members in advance of the meeting.

The Committee were supportive of the draft petition produced by Stone Railhead Crisis Group and were not in favour of accepting the invitation to contribute to Staffordshire County Council's HS2 consultation.

RESOLVED: That the Town Clerk, in consultation with the Chairman and Vice Chairman of the General Purposes Committee, is asked to finalise the content of the petition produced by Stone Railhead Crisis Group, as the Town Councils submission to HS2 Phase 2a Additional Provision 2.

GP19/196 Stone Parish Area Liaison Group – Planning Item

The Committee considered a draft proposal* made by Stone Area Parish Liaison Group to send a letter (a copy of which was circulated with the agenda) to Stafford Borough Council regarding its planning process in pursuance of the aims set out in 'Statement of Community Involvement 2018 Update'.

At the last meeting of the Liaison Group (on 30 January), concerns were shared about how town and parish council planning observations are dealt with by the Borough Council and how the planning process does not give value or weight to the opinions of town and parish councils (in the Stone area) despite being the closest tier of local government to the community with the most in depth knowledge of their areas. The Borough Council also offers parish councils no greater right than members of the public to speak at Planning Control Committee.

RESOLVED: That the Town Clerk on behalf of Stone Town Council is asked to produce a modified version of the draft letter prepared by Stone Area Parish Liaison Group, for submission to Stafford Borough Council.

GP19/197 Ex Servicemen's Bowls Match

The Ex-Servicemen's Bowls Club has suggested the bowls match with Town Councillors takes place on Monday 17 June 2019 at 6:00pm.

RESOLVED: To note the date for the Ex-Servicemen's Bowls Match and to provide the buffet as in previous years.

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GP19/198 Non-Cheque Payments

RESOLVED: To note the list* of non-cheque payments made by the Council during the period 1 January to 31 January 2019.

GP19/199 Members Motions under Standing Order 4

Councillor J. Davies

'Sunday 11 November 2018 was Remembrance Sunday and the centenary of the end of the Great War. The support of the people of Stone is always impressive for Remembrance Sunday and it was surpassed far beyond expectations in 2018. During the events that morning a panoramic photo was taken from the first floor of Granville's Brasserie of the magnificent scene in the town centre.

It would be a great pity if the Town Council did not obtain a copy of that photo for posterity, especially with our heritage centre in prospect. A framed copy of that photo is available from the Vantage Point Creative framing shop at a cost of £220. I now ask the Town Council to purchase such a framed copy as a record of that historic day in the town's history'.

RESOLVED: That the Council does not purchase the framed photograph.

GP19/200 Members Motions under Standing Order 4

Councillor J. Davies

'With effect from 29th July 2002 Stafford Borough Council introduced charges for parking in the car parks at Crown Street, Westbridge Park and Christchurch Way. It is now some sixteen and a half years since then so it is high time to review those arrangements particularly in the light of pressure to reduce or eliminate car park charges to encourage greater numbers to come into the town centre.

I now ask the Town Council to resolve to write to Stafford Borough Council requesting a statement of the yearly income from these car parking charges since their introduction'.

RESOLVED: That the Town Clerk is asked to write to Stafford Borough Council to request a statement of the yearly income from car parking charges at Crown Street, Westbridge Park and Christchurch Way since their introduction.

GP19/201 Update from Working Groups:

Neighbourhood Plan Steering Group

The Chairman of the Neighbourhood Plan Steering Group, Councillor Mrs Hood, informed the Committee that the Plan is currently with the Inspector.

Stone Area Parish Liaison Group

Councillor Davies reported that no meeting had been held since the last meeting of the General Purposes Committee.

Traffic Management in High Street Working Group

Councillor Kenney reported on a meeting of the Traffic Management in the High Street Working Group on 4 March 2019. Representatives from Staffordshire County Council and Stafford Borough Council were in attendance. The issues

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discussed included on street parking before and after the road closure, and the speed and volume of traffic using the High Street as a through route.

The Working Group has concluded that it will look at enforcement of the road traffic regulations and also the sequencing pattern of the lights at the bottom of the High street. It may be possible to alter the sequence timings to delay motorists and deter them from using the High Street as a shortcut. It will also assist in speeding up the flow of traffic on Christchurch Way.

GP19/202 <u>To receive reports from Town Councillors on attendance at meetings of local</u> organisations and outside bodies as a representative of the Town Council

Stone ATC

The Deputy Mayor reported on a welfare meeting he had attended at the beginning of February. There is a strong number of cadets involved and Stone ATC is in very good health.

Age Concern Stone & District

The Mayor, Councillor Mrs K. Green, reported that Age Concern were doing very well. The Luncheon club was very popular and thirty people had attended a meal today at Burston. They are very short of volunteer drivers to transport people to the Luncheon Club and to medical appointments.

Mrs Green reported on the very committed volunteers and the work they do in the office.

Councillor Mrs Collier said that Girlguiding have some new badges and it has been suggested that a liaison meeting be set up between the youngsters and the older community.

Stone Town Band

The Mayor reported that Stone Town Band do not hold meetings which is the reason she had not been aware of any dates.

Stafford & Stone Access Group

Councillor Mrs C. Collier advised that she had attended a meeting last week and potholes on roads and pavements were raised as an issue. Repairs involving tar and plastic infill are now taking place.

The Kingsmead car park in Stafford which is the closest one to the Gatehouse Theatre has closed and the Access Group are negotiating with the owner of the B & M car park to do something about the two hour limit.

It has been suggested that a better map is produced showing the locations of disabled parking spaces.

Stone Common Plot Trustees

Councillor Kenney reported on the number of cattle put out to pasture and issues with TB.

Stone Community Hub Liaison Group

It was reported that no meeting of the Stone Community Hub Liaison Group had taken place.

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SPCA Executive Committee Councillor M. Green had attended a meeting last night where concerns were raised about potholes around the County. **TOWN MAYOR**

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Stone Town Council – Planning Committee

Minutes of the meeting held in the St Michael's Suite, Frank Jordan Centre, Lichfield Street, Stone, on Tuesday 5 March 2019

PRESENT: Councillor J. Davies in the Chair, and

Councillors: Mrs C. Collier, G. Collier, Mrs J. Farnham, I. Fordham, Mrs M. Goodall,

Mrs K. Green, M. Green, Mrs J. Hood, R. Kenney, P. Leason, Mrs E. Mowatt,

Mrs J. Piggott, M. Shaw and M. Williamson

ABSENT: Councillors: T. Jackson, G. Neagus and A. Osgathorpe

P19/091 Apologies

Apologies were received from Councillors: T. Jackson, G. Neagus and

A. Osgathorpe

P19/092 <u>Declarations of Interest and Requests for Dispensations</u>

None

P19/093 Representations from Members of the Public

None received

P19/094 Planning Applications

Application Number – 19/29986/HOU

Applicant – Mr L. James

Location - 31 Mount Crescent, Stone

Development – Two storey side extension and single storey rear extension

Observations: No objections

Application Number – 19/30026/HOU

Applicant – Mr J. Simpson

Location – 1 Saltersford Rise, Stone

Development – Alterations and extensions to a three-storey dwelling to form dependent relatives accommodation and ancillary car parking

Observations: The Town Council has no concerns about the proposal for an extension to the dwelling but does raise objections to the ancillary car parking which is sited within the designated Local Green Space 23 and in contravention of the emerging Stone Neighbourhood Plan.

Application Number – 19/29960/FUL

Applicant – Mr M. Holland (Holland Construction)

Location – Triflex Tech Centre, Whitebridge Industrial Estate, Whitebridge Way, Stone

Development – Proposed 2 storey side extension with internal alterations

Observations: No objections

Application Number – 19/29984/HOU

Applicant – Mr S. Franks

Location – 14 Balmoral Close, Stone

Development – Proposed two storey extension to front and side with part single storey extension to side and internal alterations

Observations: No objections

Application Number – 19/30038/COU

Applicant - Mrs J. Allen

Location – 1 and 3 Joules Passage, Crown Street, Stone

Development – Changes of use of ground and first floor property for use as a nail bar and beauty salon to provide treatment rooms at first floor level and reception and treatment rooms at ground floor level. Request change of use to sui generis

Observations: No objections

Application Number – 19/30001/HOU Applicant – Mr & Mrs N. Robson

Location – 21 Stuart Close North, Stone

Development – Proposed single storey extensions to front and rear together with part garage conversion and internal alterations

Observations: No objections

Application Number – 19/30034/ADV
Applicant – Stone Town Council
Location – Frank Jordan Centre, Lichfield Street, Stone
Development – Signage

No observations were made by the Planning Committee

Application Number – 19/30057/OUT

Applicant – Mr M. Salt (Broad Oak Properties)

Location – Land Adjacent to 13 Stuart Close North, Stone

Development – Erection of two bungalows on land east of 13 Stuart Close North

– All matters reserved

Observations: The Town Council has no objections to the development proposal but serious consideration should be given to the flood risk at this site which needs to be addressed and mitigated.

Application Number - 19/30078/HOU

Applicant - Mr & Mrs S. Lewis

Location - 145 Lichfield Road, Stone

Development – Demolition of existing attached garage and proposed two storey extension to side. Alterations to front elevation, formation of balcony at first floor rear and pitched roof over existing detached garage together with covered area

Observations: No objections

Application Number – 19/30068/FUL

Applicant – Mr Hochhauser (YMC Estates Ltd)

Location – Rear of 17 – 21 High Street, Stone

Development – Three one bedroom dwellings (one block)

Observations: The Town Council has no objections but asks that adequate arrangements are made for the storage of waste bins within the curtilages of the dwellings. It is not considered acceptable for refuse bins to be sited on full and permanent public view to damage the visual amenity of the area.

Application Number – 19/30103/COU

Applicant – Mr S. Hendry (Stonegate Wealth Management)

Location – 23 Lichfield Street, Stone

Development – Proposed change of use from dwelling C3 to financial and professional offices A2 together with internal alterations

This application was deferred for consideration at the next Planning Committee meeting.

Application Number – 19/30104/LBC

Applicant – Mr S. Hendry (Stonegate Wealth Management)

Location – 23 Lichfield Street, Stone

Development – Proposed change of use from dwelling C3 to financial and professional offices A2 together with internal alterations

This application was deferred for consideration at the next Planning Committee meeting.

P19/095 To note the following items considered under delegated powers where no objections were forwarded to Stafford Borough Council due to no Member asking for the item to be considered by a special meeting of the Committee.

None

Stone Town Council – Planning Committee

Minutes of the meeting held in the St Michael's Suite, Frank Jordan Centre, Lichfield Street, Stone, on Tuesday 19 March 2019

PRESENT: Councillor J. Davies in the Chair, and

Councillors: Mrs J. Farnham, I. Fordham, Mrs M. Goodall, Mrs K. Green, M. Green,

Mrs J. Hood, P. Leason, Mrs E. Mowatt, M. Shaw and M. Williamson

ABSENT: Councillors: Mrs C. Collier, G. Collier, T. Jackson, R. Kenney, G. Neagus,

A. Osgathorpe, and Mrs J. Piggott

P19/096 Apologies

Apologies were received from Councillors: Mrs C. Collier, G. Collier, T. Jackson, R. Kenney, A. Osgathorpe and Mrs J. Piggott

P19/097 <u>Declarations of Interest and Requests for Dispensations</u>

None

P19/098 Representations from Members of the Public

None received

P19/099 Planning Applications

Application Number - 19/30144/HOU

Applicant – Mr B. Octigan

Location – Park Lodge, Uttoxeter Road, Stone **Development** – Garage extension to front

Observations: No objections

Application Number – 19/30120/HOU

Applicant – Mr S. Betts

Location - 10 Elmhurst Way, Stone

Development – Retrospective flue pipe for wood burning stove

Observations: The Town Council objects to this application on the grounds that the flue pipe is unsightly in design and external appearance. It has a negative visual impact on the surrounding area.

Application Number – 19/30103/COU

Applicant – Mr S. Hendry (Stonegate Wealth Management)

Location – 23 Lichfield Street, Stone

Development – Proposed change of use from dwelling C3 to financial and professional offices A2 together with internal alterations

Observations: No objections are raised to the development proposal but the Town Council supports neighbours with their concerns about the limited opportunities for vehicular parking in Lichfield Street.

Application Number - 19/30104/LBC

Applicant – Mr S. Hendry (Stonegate Wealth Management)

Location – 23 Lichfield Street. Stone

Development – Proposed change of use from dwelling C3 to financial and professional offices A2 together with internal alterations

Observations: No objections are raised to the development proposal but the Town Council supports neighbours with their concerns about the limited opportunities for vehicular parking in Lichfield Street.

Application Number – 19/30136/FUL

Applicant – St Dominic's Priory School

Location – St Dominic's Priory School, 21 Station Road, Stone

Development – Variation of Condition 10 on 18/28072/FUL

Observations: The Town Council strongly objects to this application. The visual amenity of the area will be seriously damaged by removal of the Beech tree.

Application Number – 19/30190/HOU

Applicant – Mr & Mrs J. Drake

Location – 30 St Michaels Mount, Stone

Development – Conservatory and pitched roof over ex WC and store

Observations: No objections

Application Number - 19/30197/FUL

Applicant – Capula Limited

Location – Capula Limited, Orion House, Unit 10 Walton Industrial Estate, Beacon Road, Walton, Stone

Development – Extension to car parking to provide additional 25 parking bays and installation of 12 electric vehicle charging points

Observations: No objections. The Town Council looks forward to the time when the installation of electric vehicle charging points is a statutory requirement.

P19/100 To note the following items considered under delegated powers where no objections were forwarded to Stafford Borough Council due to no Member asking for the item to be considered by a special meeting of the Committee.

Application Number – 18/29225/FUL (amended plans)

Applicant – The School Governors, St Dominic's Priory School

Location – 37 Station Road, Stone

Development – Installation of new railings to front boundary wall, replacing those previously removed

Observations: No Objections

Town Mayor

STONE TOWN COUNCIL MEETING 9 APRIL 2019

CIVIC ANNOUNCEMENTS

Mayor

Tuesday 9 April Lieutenant Colonel C. Dixon, Commanding Officer, 22 Signal

Regiment – visit to Stone

Tuesday 9 April Trinity Skills for Life Easter Service

Saturday 13 April Stone Choral Society – Spring Concert

Wednesday 17 April Receive photograph of Remembrance Sunday 2018 in Stone from

Stone Historical Society

Saturday 20 April St George's Day Re-enactment

Wednesday 24 April Stone Gang Show 2019 – Stone and District Scout Council

Friday 26 April Biddulph Civic Society Charity Ball

Saturday 27 April Stone Town Council – Civic Dinner

Tuesday 7 May Opening of Specsavers store in High Street, Stone

Saturday 11 May ABF The Soldiers' Charity – Stoke-on-Trent Military Tattoo

Deputy Mayor

Tuesday 9 April Lieutenant Colonel C. Dixon, Commanding Officer, 22 Signal

Regiment - Visit to Stone

TOWN MAYOR'S REPORT - to 31 March 2019

Thursday 28th February

This evening we went along to Hilderstone Village Hall where the Hilderstone Choir presented a cheque to CureLeukeamia for £770, the proceeds of their Christmas Concert.

Saturday 2nd March

In honour of Stone's sister city, Carthage, Texas, and of the anniversary of Texas declaring its independence from Mexico in 1836, we raised the Lone Star State flag at noon in the High Street. Stone Choral Society and Stone Town Band were in attendance to play and sing the state song.

Sunday 3rd March

This afternoon we attended the SMDC Chairman's Afternoon tea at Biddulph Old Hall. A lovely tea was enjoyed in the well restored Hall and Gardens. The owners have done a great job.

This evening we went to the Royal Exchange for the annual Quiz in aid of Prostate Cancer. A great, well attended evening. My team didn't disgrace themselves; but didn't win!

Tuesday 5th March

Went along to Walton Priory Middle School for the Rotary Technology Tournament where several schools competed against one another to complete a task of making a miniature lifting device. I was asked to present the prizes to the winning group which was Walton Priory School.

Friday 8th March

We went along this evening to the RAFA Annual Dinner at the Stone Golf Club. The meals there are always good and so was the company.

Friday 15th March

This was the night of the Charity Pig Race (no real life pigs took part!), held at the Stone Golf Club. 53 People came along and we all had a great time and raised lots of money.

Wednesday 20th March

I attended the AGM at Oak Tree Farm. The Manager gave a good report of the work done by the team members during 2018 and all the achievements the young people had accomplished. Gardening, looking after the animals and manning the Tea Room were the areas the young people had taken part in.

Friday 22nd March

Due to illness we were unable to attend the Borough Mayor's Charity Lunch

Saturday 23rd March

This evening I attended the Annual Dinner of the 2352 Squadron ATC. A lovely dinner was served and later the awards were given out to the best cadets.

Sunday 24th March

We attended a Service of Thanksgiving on this evening at St John's Church, Walton Community Centre, for Mr Michael Roberts, former Mayor of Stafford Borough and former Mayor of Stone.

Saturday 30th March

This morning we attended a Service arranged by RAFA to place poppies on all the graves of RAF personnel, who served in the war, and are buried in Stone Cemetery.

DEPUTY TOWN MAYOR'S REPORT – to 31 March 2019

Nothing to report for this period.