

Stoke Mandeville Parish Council

Clerk: Mr Tony Skeggs Telephone: (01296) 613888



Minutes of the meeting of the COMMUNITIES COMMITTEE held in the Committee Room at Eskdale Road Community Centre on Tuesday 9th Sept 2025 at 7.30pm

PRESENT: Cllrs J Theobald, G Shrivastava, D Field

Clerk: T Skeggs Absent: None Assistant: B Hotya Residents: None

C25/80	APOLOGIES				
	None.				
C25/81	1 OPEN FORUM FOR PARISHIONERS				
	There were no residents present.				
C25/82	DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST AND REQUESTS FOR DISPENSATION				
	There were no new requests for dispensation.				
C25/83	MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING				
	a) The minutes of the meeting of the Communities Committee held on the 5 th Aug 2025				
	were unanimously AGREED as a true record.				
	b) The action plan was reviewed and would be updated accordingly.				
C25/84	PATH AROUND THE FIELD				
	Cllr J Theobald had contacted Putnams regarding the temporary work on the footpath. We				
	are currently waiting for their quotation. Once received, we will request confirmation for				
	the start date.				
C25/85	STOKE MANDEVILLE FOOTBALL CLUB CONTRACT				
	It was AGREED that the Clerk will contact the football club regarding the following:				
	 Invite them to attend a meeting following the Parish Council meeting next week. 				
	Discuss the container				
	Review the contract and fees for the upcoming year				
C25/86	WOODEN BENCH REPLACEMENT				
	It was AGREED to replace the wooden slats on the benches where necessary as a quick				
	solution. If the concrete supports are not in good condition, the benches should be fully				
	replaced with new wooden benches.				
C25/87	REMEMBRANCE DAY CELEBRATIONS				
	The Committee AGREED on holding a Remembrance Day event similar to the one held last				
	year. Cllr Field proposed that Cllrs Ezra and Wood be asked to organise the event as Cllr				
	Jenkins was no longer on the Council.				
C25/88	CHRISTMAS LIGHTS				
	The Committee considered holding a Christmas lights switch-on event similar to the one				
	held last year. Cllr D Field will confirm the date for the event.				
	It was AGREED to explore the possibility of placing a temporary Christmas tree on the green				
	area at Brudenell Drive, subject to confirmation of a suitable power supply.				
C25/89	GROUNDS MAINTENANCE CONTRACT				
	The Committee AGREED that R Haynes would continue to perform certain tasks, even				
	though we have a Parish Warden now.				

C25/90	BEST KEPT VILLAGE COMPETITION				
	The Committee discussed the results of this year's competition, and it has been AGREED to				
	request support from the Village Society for the upcoming year's competition and to				
	advertise the competition more around the village.				
C25/91	BUDGET PLANNING				
	The budget for the upcoming year was reviewed and it was recommended to ask the				
	Finance & Governance Committee to allocate a separate budget to be used for all the				
	Community events.				
C25/92	DATE OF NEXT MEETING				
	It was AGREED to cancel the October meeting, the next meeting will be on the 11				
	November.				

The meeting closed at 21:30

Signed	Dated:	16 th September 2025

Action List

Date	Minute	Description	By Whom	Status
04/02/25	C25/17	Obtain further quotes for toilet block	Cllrs Shrivastava	In progress
			/Theobald	
04/02/25	C25/17	Contact Buckinghamshire Council re planning advice for	Clerk	
		toilet block		
08/07/25	C25/59	Produce map for first walk	Clerk	In progress
08/07/25	C25/60	Clerk to get text to describe the mental health workshop,	Clerk	
		and Cllr Theobald to arrange for it to be advertised in	Cllr Theobald	
		Wendover News.		
08/07/25	C25/62	Discuss with the school having children paint designs on	Cllr Theobald	In progress
		the SGN cabinet		
08/07/25	C25/63	Get quotes for guttering replacement	Clerk	In progress
08/07/25	C25/64	Source grave markers	Asst Clerk	
08/07/25	C25/67	Obtain options for replacement surfaces for the path	Cllr Theobald	In progress
		around the field.		
08/07/25	C25/67	Find out of Sport England would provide match funding for	Cllr Shrivastava	
		a replacement path around the field		
08/07/25	C25/67	Find out from Cllr Kirve the HS2 contact for possible	Cllr Theobald	
		funding for a replacement path around the field		