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MINUTES OF MEETING

Name of Meeting	Ordinary Stretton-on-Dunsmore Parish Council Meeting
Date, Time and Venue of Meeting	Monday 9th February 2026 at 7pm in Knightlow School
Meeting Chair	Cllr Paul Gordon (PG)
Minute Taker	Helen Stewart (HS)
Attendees	Cllr Warwick Dipple (WD), Cllr Chris Tickle (CT), Cllr Sarah Gambling (SG), Cllr James Bavington (JB), Cllr Alan Abbey (AA), Cllr Gillian Key-Vice (GKV) & 8 members of the public were present.
Apologies from those summoned	Cllr Stephen Smyth (SS)
Absent	None
Local Authority Representatives	Cllr Jill Simpson-Vince

Public Forum

Flooding concerns if The Croft is approved in the Local Plan
Ryton Heath Farm retrospective planning appeal – Freeboard Lane is in a very poor state.
School Lane needs sweeping and drains needs clearing – matter for WCC.
On going public bus issues.
Tree fell on Plott Lane and was reported and cleared.

Agenda Number	Minute	Actioner	Date
1.	**Apologies** Cllr Stephen Smyth	No Action	
2.	**Declarations of Interest** There were no declarations of interest made.	No Action	
3.	**Borough and County Councillors Report** Cllr Dale Keeling submitted a written report which was circulated in advanced of the meeting. Cllr Jill Simpson Vince There are four live consultations on the RBC website currently. Severn Trent – RBC pushing for meetings with senior management to address issues across the Borough. Recommended Tom Kittendorf as a point of contact for S106 support.	No Action	
4.	**Minutes from Meetings** The minutes of the Ordinary Meeting held on 12th January 2026 of the Parish Council were accepted unanimously signed as a true account by Cllr PaulGordon.	No Action	
5.	**Actions from the minutes** 5a. There has been no further communication from Severn Trent Water. 5b. The multi-play tower at Plott Lane Recreation Ground was found to be nearing the end of its life during the September 2025 playground inspections. It was marked 'high risk' on the inspection which means 'Take action ASAP to implement control measures'. Two quotes to replace have been received but as yet no quote for repairs has been obtained. Roll over to the next month. 5c. The bus shelter on Brookside has had its repointing works undertaken and has a blank canvas ready for the next steps in painting a new mural. The works to repair the bus shelter on Fosse Way begin this week.		

	5d. The Clerk has been chasing WCC to establish the exact school bus routes for Stretton including the precise drop off and pick up locations, but they have not replied. She has requested the support of Cllr Dale Keeling in moving forward with this item. 5e. The Local Plan consultation is open now. Parish Councillors have been discussing possible draft responses on email but as yet are not in a position to submit a formal response.		
6.	**Planning Matters** E23/0177 – Land adjacent to the White House Farm Industrial Estate, Oxford Road. Ashbery Strategic Land – Enquiry into the Land off Fosse Way as identified in the draft Local Plan. Accept the invitation to meet.	No Action	
7.	**Section 106 Allocation** It is anticipated that the S106 Open Spaces fund generated from the Squires Cross development will be in the region of £118,360. This is the only element of the S106 that the Parish Council can have a direct impact but the funds are paid to Rugby Borough Council on 50% occupation of the dwellings. The Parish Council discussed some of the projects it might like to see the money spent on, but no decision was made; these items included: • Further improvements to the Platinum Plott & Serenity Orchard • Renovations to both pavilions (Fosse Way & Plott Lane) • Relaying of footpath through the Squires Rd Amenities Green. The matter will be considered again at a subsequent meeting.	No Action	
8a.	**Scouts** Stretton Scouts have sort permission to host another over camp in the Playing Field at Plott Lane in April 2026 following the success of the event last year. This request was agreed unanimously subject to the site being left clear and noise restrictions during the later night and early hours. The proposal was made by Cllr Bavington and seconded by Cllr Key-Vice.	No Action	
8b.	A report of the status of the Scout Hut was received from the Scouts. The Parish Council is aware that some maintenance is required to the exterior of the building and has been gathering quotes. So far it has two quotes for recladding the building and one for rendering it. One further quote for rendering is required to meet the minimum criteria of the Parish Council's Financial Regulations. The Clerk will liaise with the Group Scout Leader to obtain this.	Clerk	09/03/26
9a.	**St. John Fisher FC** The lease between the Parish Council and Club is up for renewal in June 2026 but the Club are seeking an indication that it will be renewed before they invest any more money into the building. They are embarking on a big fund-raising initiative. The Parish Council has requested that the Club send a report so councillors can fully understand what the Clubs plans are and timescales of delivering them. This information is likely to impact how long the lease is period is extended for this time around. Overall, the Parish Council agreed in principle unanimously to extend the lease this was proposed by Cllr Gordon and seconded by Cllr Key-Vice. The new contract will be drawn up and signed in June 2026.	No Action	
9b.	The electrics in the building as they stand will not support the installation of the defibrillator on the exterior of Fosse Way Pavilion. PG to follow up with electrician to try to install the defib by another means.	PG	09/03/26
10a.	**Finances** The payment list for February 2026 was approved unanimously:- HELEN STEWART – SALARY & EXPENSES £1290.51 VILLAGE HALL - Coffee Morning £96.00 E.ON – VILLAGE POWER SOUCE £33.26	No Action	

	COX & SON – BUS SHELTER REFURB £2400.00 HMRC – PAYE £460.06		
10b.	The payments list made under delegated authority was noted:- LLOYDS – ACCOUNT FEES £9.41 GOOGLE MAIL £63.00	No Action	
11.	**Correspondence** a. Resident – property flooding (advice provided on email) b. Resident – Buses using Plott Lane c. Resident – Car Parking (advice provided on email)		
12.	**Any Other Business** Tree on Village Green.		
13.	**Date of Next Meeting** Monday 9th March 2026 – Knightlow School – 7pm (Ordinary Meeting) Tuesday 14th April 2026 – Stretton Village Hall -7pm (Annual Parish Assembly) Monday 11th May 2026 - Knightlow School Hall - 6.30pm (Annual Meeting of the Parish Council) Monday 11th May 2026 - Knightlow School Hall – 7pm (Ordinary Meeting) Monday 8th June 2026 - Knightlow School Hall - 7pm (Ordinary Meeting) Monday 13th July 2026 - Knightlow School Hall - 7pm (Ordinary Meeting) Monday 14th September 2026 - Knightlow School Hall - 7pm (Ordinary Meeting) Monday 12th October 2026 - Knightlow School Hall - 7pm (Ordinary Meeting) Monday 9th November 2026 - Knightlow School Hall - 7pm (Ordinary Meeting)	No Action	

Meeting closed at 8.07pm