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THE LYCHGATE



Brief notes from the parish council September 6th 2018

Planning

The Parish Council considered three planning applications.

The application at St. Michaels Close was not supported on the grounds of massing and design.

The re-submitted applications for the land behind Central Stores were considered but the Parish Council concluded there were not any substantial changes to the original applications. The Parish Council re-affirmed the original decisions to support the conversion of the old building to a single dwelling and not support the separate outline planning application for a single dwelling.

Playing Field

The hire charge for the football pitch and pavilion was confirmed as £15 per match. It was noted that further minor works were still necessary in the Pavilion.

The Parish Council discussed the Annual Inspection report on the equipment in the Playing Field and noted that substantial investment was required in the longer term. In addition, there has been interest registered in the re-vamping of the tennis courts. The potential for grant applications was noted and the need for wide resident involvement would be key to the success of receipt of grants. The Parish Council is hoping that a working party can be created to work on the design and grant applications.

There will be a new **PCSO** assigned to the village, Sheila Thompson, due to start on 19th September. We look forward to seeing her here.

Nominations were taken for the Memorial Hall Management charity trust.

Several cheques were signed for Lychgate cleaning, inspecting the playing fields, garden maintenance, renovations and new glass.

Macmillan Coffee Morning will be on Saturday 22nd September in the Memorial Hall, 10-1. All welcome.

The Scarecrow Hunt will be around the village this Sunday 30th September, 1-5pm, organised by the school PTA. Refreshments available from Knatchbull Arms car park during the afternoon, followed by a music night in the pub. There will be prizes for best scarecrow as well as a treat for every child taking part. Scarecrows must be Disney themed. If you would like to take part please email PTA Chair Sarah Jenkins: sarah77jenkins@yahoo.co.uk or call the school office on: 01749 840 470. Scarecrows £4 each, trail £1`per child. On the same day the Stoke St. Michael Committee Events Group (SSMCEG) are organising 2018 Up, Down and Around (2018 UDA). There will also be a colour run on the playing field beforehand.

Harvest Festival will be celebrated on Sunday 7th October with a church service at 4pm. This will be followed by Harvest Supper and a produce auction at 5.30. Tickets available from Janet Gilham, £6.50 adults and £3.50 children. Tel: 01749 840 671.

YOUTH CLUB – URGENT

Looking for Volunteers: Does anybody have any spare time to volunteer for Stoke St. Michael's Youth Club - either in front or behind the scenes? This is held every Wednesday during term time from 5.30 – 9pm.

For example, could you support us with applying for grants, bookkeeping, risk assessments, communications, fundraising, creating and organising a term timetable, or do you have an interest, hobby or skill that you could share with us, for example, support a cooking session, a circus skills evening or a sports evening, maybe you have a love of gardening or art, or perhaps a passion for music?

Please contact the Youth Club via Facebook – Stoke St. Michael Youth Club – or telephone Rachel on 01749 840 737.