



STONEHOUSE
TOWN COUNCIL

Minutes of a meeting of the Town Environment Committee held on Monday 13th April, 7pm at Stonehouse Library, High Street, Stonehouse GL10 2NG

Present:

Councillors: Keren Capeling, Keith Creighton, Deborah Curtis (Committee Chair), Marcus Dixon, David Drew, Stephen Hunter

Also present:

Jacqui Sanders (Deputy Clerk)

Attendees are reminded that the Proceedings of this meeting may be filmed, photographed or recorded.

E/1036 To receive apologies.

Apologies were received from Cllrs John Parker and Simon Macgregor.

E/1037 Declarations of Interest

There were no declarations of interest.

E/1038 To approve the minutes of the Town Environment Committee meeting held on Monday 9th March.

Committee APPROVED the Minutes as a true and accurate record of the meeting.

E/1039 To receive the latest updated Environment Budget.

Committee NOTED the updated report showing a total 'Actual Net' Income of £3,986.31; 'Actual Net' Expenditure of £71,562.49 and Reserve Expenditure of £15,740.69.

E/1040 To receive the latest tree survey and agree on its recommendations.

Officers reminded committee that having contracted the tree specialist, Glendale, to undertake the survey it is recommended that their advice is followed as they hold appropriate insurance and indemnifications for the survey they undertook.

Committee reviewed the thoughts presented by Cllr John Parker and agreed to follow his advice, rather than Glendale's, regarding the trees in Doverow Wood. Officers again reminded committee that Glendale carry appropriate insurance and indemnity.

Committee requested to not act on the recommendation by Glendale regarding the tree works at Stagholt Brook until Cllr Parker could submit his

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advice. Committee noted the survey showed that the trees identified for works were medium and low priority.

E/1041 To comment on recent Planning Applications

S.26/0450/HHOLD 119 Arrowsmith Drive, Stonehouse
Erection of a rear single-storey extension.

Comment: No objections as long as none from neighbours.

S.26/0454/FUL Unit 1, 13 High Street, Stonehouse
Erection of single storey extension to the rear and first floor extension to create 4no additional treatment rooms and staff amenities.

Comment: No objections as long as none from neighbours.

S.26/0410/HHOLD 3 Anderson Drive, Stonehouse
Erection of a single storey rear extension

Comment: No objections as long as none from neighbours.

S.26/0274/HHOLD Leonard Stanley House, Beards Mill, Leonard Stanley
Reinstate fencing and erection of vehicle gate and posts.

Comment: No objection.

S.26/0424/FUL, Far Westrip Farm, Stroud,
Build a roof and cast concrete walls on two sides of a hard standing currently used for maize silage and other forages, adjacent to existing maize silage bunkers.

Comment: No objection.

S.26/0503/HHOLD 46 Midland Road, Stonehouse
Erection of a single storey front and side extension.

Comment: No objections as long as none from neighbours.

S.23/1451/OUT Land Northwest of Stonehouse
Mixed use development comprising the following individual, severable and self-contained elements:

- Up to 635 residential dwellings
- A primary school
- Sport and recreation facilities. Associated works including: infrastructure, ancillary facilities, open space (including allotments), landscaping and access.

Comment: The previous objection by Stonehouse Town Council submitted in September 2023, still applies. This council also notes the objections concerning a lack of promised infrastructure, and also asks that the impact the extra traffic would cause on the already busy level crossing be considered.

Pre-planning application:

2025/0654/PREAPPRE/284 Orchard House, 60 High Street, Stonehouse
Major repairs to the roof of a listed building.

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Comment: This council supports the work requested and appreciates the efforts by the homeowners to repair a listed building.

E/1042 To receive a report on planning decisions received from Stroud District Council.

26/0110/HHOLD 17 Kings Road, Stonehouse
Erection of a rear dormer extension and loft conversion.
Application withdrawn

E/1043 To receive Working Groups updates.

- **Communications**
Now reports to Business Committee.
- **Stroudwater (Bristol Road) Station**
Not met.
- **Transport and Highways**
Not met.
- **Public Rights of Way**
Not met.
- **Recreation.**
Met. Minutes attached to supporting papers.
- **Canal Rejuvenation**
Not met.
- **Court View**
Not met.
- **Community Arboretum and Open Spaces.**
Not met.
- **Events**
Met. Minutes attached to supporting papers.

E/1044 Date of next Environment Committee meeting: Monday 11th May 2026.
Committee NOTED the date of the next meeting.



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Financial Budget Comparison

for Town Environment Committee

Comparison between 01/04/25 and 30/03/26 inclusive. Includes due and unpaid transactions. Includes commitments. Excludes transactions with an invoice date prior to 01/04/25

	2025/2026	Reserve	Actual Net	Balance
INCOME				
Town Environment Committee				
200 Stonehouse in Bloom	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00
205 Event Income/Donations				
205/1 Events	£1,200.00	£0.00	£1,335.00	£135.00
205/2 Donations	£0.00	£0.00	£49.20	£49.20
205/3 Markets	£0.00	£0.00	£805.00	£805.00
205 Total	£1,200.00	£0.00	£2,189.20	£989.20
210 Planting Sponsorship	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00
215 Grants	£0.00	£0.00	£1,797.11	£1,797.11
Total Town Environment Committee	£1,200.00	£0.00	£3,986.31	£2,786.31
EXPENDITURE				
Town Environment Committee				
1190 Amenity Areas				
1190/1 Grounds Maintenance (contract)	£29,500.00	£0.00	£29,526.00	-£26.00
1190/2 Grounds Maintenance (in-house)	£1,000.00	£0.00	£829.88	£170.12
1190/3 Play Equipment maint/repairs/insp	£3,800.00	£0.00	£3,955.83	-£155.83
1190/4 Public Space Improvements	£6,000.00	£0.00	£4,577.88	£1,422.12
1190/5 Tree & Hedge/boundary maintenance	£4,500.00	£0.00	£2,615.72	£1,884.28
1190/6 Waste Collection	£4,000.00	£0.00	£2,978.32	£1,021.68
1190 Total	£48,800.00	£0.00	£44,483.63	£4,316.37
2000 Christmas Lights	£2,000.00	£14,897.15	£17,007.15	-£110.00

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	2025/2026	Reserve	Actual Net	Balance
2005 Climate Change	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00
2010 In Bloom				
2010/1 Contract Planting	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00
2010/2 Non-Contract Planting	£0.00	£343.54	£343.54	£0.00
2010/3 Watering Services	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00
2010/4 Other	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00
2010 Total	£0.00	£343.54	£343.54	£0.00
2050 Cultural Events & Studies				
2050/1 Goodwill	£6,000.00	£0.00	£5,724.26	£275.74
2050/2 Civic Awards	£300.00	£0.00	£24.91	£275.09
2050/3 Other	£3,000.00	£0.00	£3,304.00	£-304.00
2050/4 Communications	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00
2050 Total	£9,300.00	£0.00	£9,053.17	£246.83
2080 Neighbourhood Plan Review	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00
2090 Planning Specialist Advice				
2090/1	£0.00	£500.00	£675.00	£-175.00
2090/2	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00
2090 Total	£0.00	£500.00	£675.00	£-175.00
Total Town Environment Committee	£60,100.00	£15,740.69	£71,562.49	£4,278.20
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Total Town Environment Committe	£60,100.00	£15,740.69	£71,562.49	£4,278.20
Total Net Balance	-£58,900.00		-£67,576.18	

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