

# **STONEY STANTON PARISH COUNCIL**

**Minutes of the meeting of Stoney Stanton Parish Council held at the village hall  
on Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> June 2022 at 7.30pm.**

**Parish Councillors:**

Mr L Cousin (Chair)  
Mr R Neal  
Mrs S Astill  
Mr M Macklin  
Mr F Gent  
Mr P Martin  
Mr J Masters

**Clerk:** Miss R Ward

**District & County Councillors:** Two

**Public Participation:** Two

**22-069            Apologies**

Cllr J Dixon and Cllr R Poynor

**22-070            Declarations of Interest**

Cllr L Cousin: Cubs & Scouts, PTFA and Action Group  
Cllr R Neal: Bonsers  
Cllr M Macklin: St Michaels Church & Manorfield School  
Cllr F Gent: Large Planning developments

**22-071            Minutes of the previous meeting**

**RESOLVED** that the minutes of the Full Council and Annual Parish Council meeting held on 10<sup>th</sup> May 2022 and the Annual Parish meeting on 17<sup>th</sup> May 2022 were agreed and signed.

**22-072            Reports from County and District Councillors**

Cllr Maggie Wright and Cllr Mike Shirley sent their reports prior to the meeting and they were shared with the members.

Cllr Shirley reminded members that the boundary review is happening on July 1<sup>st</sup> and that Stoney Stanton will no longer be in ward 'Stanton and Flamville' and will lose a district councillor, final decision is awaited.

Cllr Shirley also advised that the constituency changes for South Leicestershire are taking place this year and therefore we may have a change of MP for our reformed constituency, no date released yet.

Blaby District Council have accepted the new code of conduct and it was noted that some members had viewed MP Costa's parliamentary discussion about the HNRFI.

Members congratulated Cllr Hewson on his new term with Blaby District Council and his charity will remain community first responders.

**22-073            Public Participation**

Issue raised to be covered in item 9.2.

**22-074 To update on the village hall plans**

The dropped kerb extension is awaiting fitting date.

The clerk advised she had another meeting with a local kitchen fitter and has another meeting arranged for 23<sup>rd</sup> June and then council can consider its plan. There is a new village hall improvement fund being released for jubilee which we may be able to apply for funding.

The piano has arrived along with stool and music.

The broken seating paver in the flag garden has been repaired.

New locks have been sourced for the kitchen cupboards

The disabled toilet has been repaired

**22-075 To update on land management items**

Long Street Car Park Border

Maintenance completed but further planting may be needed

Fence repair at Carey Hill Park

Completed

Car Park Fines

Council have received £182.10 in fines

Ash Tree – Sapcote Road

There is an overhanging tree facing Stoney Cove which requires maintenance, ownership of the tree is under discussion with the forestry team at LCC.

Ash Trees – Arboretum

4 ash trees with ash die back within the arboretum have been identified as dangerous and council were asked if they agree to remove them.

RESOLVED: Members agreed to pay David Lloyd Pitchcare £900 to remove the 4 dangerous trees after the summer.

The Queens ‘plant a tree for jubilee’

An item for the newsletter for residents to consider donation of a tree to the orchard area at Carey Hill Park.

**22-076 To consider plan for the quarryman wall**

Members were sent the tenders ahead of the meeting and following discussion they felt the cost was too high for the wall to be continued.

It was agreed for the clerk to explore costs of using the sett stones for a base around the two tree benches on the green.

**22-077 To consider options on the byelaws**

The clerk has had confirmation that the playing fields can be included in the latest byelaws from the solicitor, we now await the final draft for consideration.

**22-078 To update on the CCTV**

The CCTV is now fully working and has remote access. Members agreed to monitor for 3 months and then start the process at the War Memorial Playing Fields.

**22-079 To consider the Carey Hill Quarry terms of lease**

Richard Newey of Brown Fox Bennett has confirmed that he is in conversation with Tarmac's land agents, so we await an update.

**22-080 To update on the Highways Fund**

Payment received from LCC and fitting date to be confirmed.

**22-081 To update on the memorial testing.**

One memorial has been agreed and the NAMM certificate granted.

Further investigation on the ownership of the other memorial is ongoing.

**22-082 To consider the car park enforcement**

Blaby District Council will cease the car park enforcement with effect from 31<sup>st</sup> July 2022 and Council discussed if they wished to continue directly with Harborough Council.

**RESOLVED:** Members wished to cease the service and monitor for 12 months on the understanding that the service would be there if required. The clerk to get confirmation from Phil Grant.

**22-083 Finance**

(a) To consider and approve accounts/salaries for payment

**RESOLVED:** that the accounts and salaries be authorised for payment.

All payments having been authorised by 2 members (online bank authorisations were completed by Cllr Macklin and Cllr Cousin).

Date	Reference	Item	Payee	Net	Vat	Gross
14.6.22	V77	Mobile (april)	Three	13.66	2.73	16.39
14.6.22	V78	Grounds Maintenance	David Lloyd Pitchcare	1,361.66	0.00	1,361.66
14.6.22	V79-V90	Expenses	Roz Ward	293.67	37.06	330.73
14.6.22	V91	Cleaning Contract	Zenith Services	509.92	101.98	611.90
14.6.22	V92	Parish Insurance	BHIB	1,674.03	0.00	1,674.03
14.6.22	V93	CCTV wiring	David Clarke Electrical	210.00	42.00	252.00
14.6.22	V94	Basket Swing	Wicksteed	1,047.40	209.48	1,256.88
14.6.22	V95	Stationery	Staples	57.07	11.41	68.48

14.6.22	V96	Fencing Repair	Future Contractors	400.00	80.00	480.00
14.6.22	V97	Scribe Accounts Package	Starboard Systems	468.00	93.60	561.60
14.6.22	V98	Village Hall Window Cleaning	RWard (vision technicians)	45.00	0.00	45.00
14.6.22	V99	Disabled Toilet Repair	RWard (Tom Langhor Plumbing)	150.00	0.00	150.00
14.6.22	V100	Wildflower Naturespot website	Naturespot	30.00	0.00	30.00
14.6.22	V101	Cemetery Water	Waterplus	21.33	0.00	21.33
14.6.22	V102	Expenses	Steve Windram	22.56	5.62	28.18
14.6.22	V103	Expenses	Simon Dewar	129.59	27.92	156.51
14.6.22	V104	Hall light repair	David Clarke Electrical	30.00	6.00	36.00
14.6.22	V105	Spraying (Fleet/Abbotts)	JMG Amenity	1,740.00	348.00	2,088.00
14.6.22	V106	Spraying (Cem/Brindley/Carey)	JMG Amenity	1,915.00	383.00	2,298.00
14.6.22	V107	Payroll Services	Carter & Co	70.00	14.00	84.00
14.6.22	V108	PAYE/NI	HMRC	2,432.38	0.00	2,432.38
14.6.22	V109	Long Street Water	Waterplus	18.30	0.00	18.30
14.6.22	V110	Lottery Licence (raffle)	Blaby District Council	20.00	0.00	20.00
14.6.22	V111	Mobile (may)	Three	14.52	2.90	17.42
15.6.22	DD016	Bin Cleansing (Qtr)	Blaby District Council	1,935.70	387.14	2,322.84
31.5.22	DD015	Village Hall Electricity	British Gas Lite	133.42	25.58	159.00
1.7.22	DD017	St Michaels Car Park - NDR	Blaby District Council	105.00	0.00	105.00
1.7.22	DD018	Long Street Car Park - NDR	Blaby District Council	45.00	0.00	45.00
4.7.22	DD019	Wifi	Vodafone	26.70	0.00	26.70
10.6.22	DD020	Village Hall Water	Everflow	33.24	0.00	33.24
10.7.22	DD021	Information Commissioner Fee	Ico	40.00	0.00	40.00
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(b) To note the bank reconciliation

**RESOLVED:** the bank reconciliation was agreed and has been signed and dated by the Chair and Clerk.

## 22-084 Clerks Report

Stoney Stanton Food bank is going well and has been granted £3000 from LCC Shire Grant.

The sign planters have been redone in red, white and blue.

The exercise of public rights runs from 13<sup>th</sup> June to 22<sup>nd</sup> July 2022.

The dementia coffee morning will continue on the last Friday of every month and council agreed to fund the refreshments.

The rotary club of Blaby have invited the council to join them to discuss aims and issues – Chairman agreed to attend.

The clerk advised she is attending a funding event in Lutterworth on 5<sup>th</sup> July 2022

The allotment boundary fence with Glebe Close has issues with ivy and council agreed to pay £120 to JMG Amenity to spray the area.

The clerk asked if the Council would be prepared to pay for her tickets to the SLCC 50<sup>th</sup> conference and anniversary dinner and members agreed the costs of £170.

## 22-085 To note any correspondence

Complaints received regarding a highways issues which the chairman read a prepared statement:-

The road traffic incident at 16:17 on 25/05/2022 involving a Parish Councillor has been brought to my attention. The video has been shared on social media and is in the public domain.

I understand the concerns and frustration that has been expressed by residents, and, in my position as Chair, I am disappointed that the actions of a Parish Councillor has been the cause and mindful of any disrepute to the council generated as a result. Irrespective of the fact the individual is a Parish Councillor, I would not expect any resident of the village to demonstrate such disregard for public safety and openly request better judgement is exercised in future.

However, the incident in question is not a matter for this Council. The incident took place on a public road, in the individual's private vehicle whilst on personal business and, therefore, the code of conduct does not apply in these circumstances. I understand the relevant authorities are involved and it is a matter between them and the individual, and any third parties who were involved in the incident.

The Blaby District Council pollution air quality report was noted and Cllr Neal has asked for further details which will be sent on to all members.

**22-086 To accept items for the newsletter**

The clerk advised current items for inclusion are new councillor, community awards, jubilee, community liaison group, food bank.

It was agreed that a double spread should be included with a section for the carnival with a big thank you, the dementia group plans, vandalism on the muga at the playing fields.

**22-087 To update on the councillor co-option**

Mr Richard Payne attended the meeting and is interested in becoming a parish councillor. He will complete the application form and attend the next meeting.

**22-088 To consider the costs for the Vernon book**

Baxters publishing have advised the cost for 100 x brochure type books would be £255.

Council asked the clerk to contact the family to confirm if they are happy with this and if they would like to charge a small amount for the books and where the donation should go.

The clerk to report next meeting.

**22-089 Planning:**

**New applications:**

22/0305/FUL - 128 Sapcote Road – change of use and first floor side extensions with associated alteration to create four residential flats – NO OBJECTION.

**Granted:**

22/0052/FUL – Oak Lodge Farm, Broughton Road – Extension to agricultural building for housing of milking cows and additional storage

22/0008/OUT – Rear of 86 Huncote Road – Outline application for 1 dwelling.

**22-090 To note any update on the village drainage and flooding**

The clerk sent a new flooding video to all members for information.

**22-091 To update on the Fosse Village Neighbourhood Plan**

No new updates

**22-092 To update on HNRFI**

MP Costa addressed parliament about the HNRFI on 14<sup>th</sup> June 2022.

**22-093 To update on plans for land west of the village**

Turleys have launched the community liaison group and the first meeting was held on 31<sup>st</sup> May in Elmesthorpe. Chairman attended on Council's behalf.

**22-094 To update on other large planning developments**

Nothing to report.

**22-095 To receive reports**

Allotments – Issue with ‘mare’s tail’ and it was agreed that the allotment group can purchase roundup to deal with the issue and council will reimburse them. The clerk to contact the homeowner who has this growing in the garden next to the allotments.

WMPFC – Concerns about vandalism on the muga and the play group starts on site in September.

Stoney Stanton Library – No update

Youth Club – No update

Residents Association – No update

Dementia Champion – Coffee morning will be ongoing and currently gathering information.

**22-096 Chairman’s Time.**

Items were noted.

**22-097 Date of next meeting:** The next Full Council meeting is due to be held on 12<sup>th</sup> July 2022 at 7.30pm

The meeting closed at 8.58pm

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_

Dated: \_\_\_\_\_