# STONEY STANTON PARISH COUNCIL

# Minutes of the meeting of Stoney Stanton Parish Council held at the village hall on Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> July 2022 at 7.30pm.

#### **Parish Councillors:**

Mrs J Dixon (Vice-chair) Mr R Neal Mrs S Astill Mr M Macklin Mr F Gent Mr P Martin

Clerk: Miss R Ward

District & County Councillors: Two

Public Participation: None

# 22-098 Apologies

Cllr L Cousin, Cllr J Masters, Cllr J Eales and Cllr R Poynor

#### 22-099 Declarations of Interest

Cllr R Neal: Bonsers

Cllr M Macklin: St Michaels Church & Manorfield School

Cllr F Gent: Large Planning developments

Cllr P Martin: PPG Cllr J Dixon: Youth Club

# 22-100 Minutes of the previous meeting

**RESOLVED** that the minutes of the Full Council meeting held on 14<sup>th</sup> June 2022 were agreed and signed.

# 22-101 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.

Items for noting were:

May 2023 the elections will take place and Stoney Stanton will join with Croft within the new boundary and the ward will be known as 'Fosse Stoney Cove'.

Positive details from the youth conference

The 2021 census showed the population of Blaby has grown by 9.6% since 2011 and the households have increased by 10.1%.

The kids free holidays clubs and meals over the summer holiday are still available - https://www.active-together.org/holidays-together

LCC will be undertaking a review of the financial budget due to the increase in inflation and cost of living rising, a progress report will be available in September.

New tourism campaign for Leicestershire called Fitcation has been launched - <a href="https://www.visitleicester.info/fitcation">https://www.visitleicester.info/fitcation</a>

From July 15<sup>th</sup> 2022 every new build home will have an EV charging point.

It was noted that 3000 responses had been received from the developer consultation and we await an update once these responses have been considered and we wait to see what the developers next move will be.

Cllr Wright was asked about process for the SEN (Special educational needs) and she advised that each case is looked at on its own merits but they are currently overwhelmed and are trying their best but difficult with a 54% increase in need.

# 22-102 Public Participation

No members of the public were in attendance.

# 22-103 To update on the village hall plans

The dropped kerb extension is still awaiting fitting date.

The clerk advised she is waiting for the final tender for the kitchen improvements.

The cleaner will do painting over the summer for the wear and tear.

The new hall sign has arrived and will replace the current car park sign.

# **22-104** To consider the Christmas Plans

Members confirmed - Saturday 3<sup>rd</sup> December at 6pm for the light switch on. Enderby Band will be invited as usual.

# 22-105 To update on land management items

#### Meadow rent - Cllr Gent

Councillor Gent confirmed he is happy to continue with the farm business tenancy for the next 12 months from 1<sup>st</sup> September 2022, the invoice for £75 was issued.

# Long Street Car Park Border

Members discussed the area and agreed to plant some shrubs and include some wildflower seeds, the clerk to price up.

# Oil in the swale

This is the 2<sup>nd</sup> time oil has been found in the swale, which someone has dropped down the drain system and allowed to travel to the swale. The clerk will put another item in the next newsletter.

# Graffiti

There has been some graffiti found on the Abbott Drive estate which the groundsmen have dealt with but will be monitored.

#### 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.

#### Allotments

The issue with 'Mares Tail' weed is being dealt with, the clerk contacted the residents who were happy for the allotment tenants to deal with the weeds and use necessary herbicides.

#### CCTV

The CCTV is now in full working order, the unmetered supply has been registered and will be an ongoing cost with Npower.

#### Wildflower Verge - Long Street

LCC maintenance mowed the wildflower verge in error so we have to wait to see what grows next year.

# 22-106 To consider plans for the sett stones

The members agreed to hold the sett stones until such time as funding can be found to do the decorative wall around 'Stan' the quarryman.

Item to be discussed quarterly.

# 22-107 To consider options on the byelaws

Members were given the final draft of the new byelaws and were happy with them so to include the War Memorial Playing Fields land in 'Schedule 1 grounds to which byelaws apply generally' which means the land will have the same protection as the parish land and issues raised are satisfactorily covered by existing wording.

A meeting to discuss with the playing fields committee to be held before finalizing with the solicitor. The clerk to arrange.

# 22-108 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.

# 22-109 To update on the Highways Fund

Payment received from LCC and fitting date to be confirmed.

#### 22-110 To update on the memorial testing.

The clerk had been in contact with MATU (Multi-agency traveller unit) and were unable to locate further information on the deceased's family.

RESOLVED: Members agreed to pay £145 for the repair to the memorial.

#### 22-111 To consider the car park order

Blaby District Council offered members the option to stay on their Parking Order so that if Council decided that enforcement services needed to be reintroduced we would be able to do so in the future.

RESOLVED: Members agreed to pay upto £400 for inclusion on the BDC Parking Order and to amend the restrictions to 3 hours waiting time and remove season tickets and permits. The clerk to advise BDC.

# **22-112** 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 Dixon).

Date	Reference	Item	Payee	Net	Vat	Gross
12.7.22	V125	Grounds Maintenance	David Lloyd Pitchcare	1,361.66	0.00	1,361.66
12.7.22	V126-128	Expenses	Roz Ward	62.06	2.71	64.77
12.7.22	V129	Cleaning Contract	Zenith Services	509.92	101.98	611.90
12.7.22	V130	Cemetery Water	Waterplus	21.54	0.00	21.54
12.7.22	V131	Christmas Lights Invoice	Npower	86.87	4.34	91.21
12.7.22	V132	Allotment Spraying	JMG Amenity	110.00	22.00	132.00
12.7.22	V133	National conference & Dinner	SLCC	230.00	46.00	276.00
12.7.22	V134	Stationery	Staples	57.86	11.57	69.43
12.7.22	V135	Village Hall Sign	Nuneaton Signs	92.00	18.40	110.40
12.7.22	V136	Long Street Car Park Water	Waterplus	17.70	0.00	17.70
12.7.22	V137	Newsletter	Tradeprint	167.59	3.00	170.59
12.7.22	V138	PRS Music licence	PPL PRS	309.24	61.85	371.09
12.7.22	V139	Pest Control	Central Pest	50.00	0.00	50.00
1.7.22	DD022	Village Hall Electrictity	British Gas Lite	75.24	3.76	79.00
1.7.22	DD023	St Michaels Car Park - NDR	Blaby District Council	105.00	0.00	105.00
1.7.22	DD024	Long Street Car Park - NDR	Blaby District Council	45.00	0.00	45.00
1.7.22	DD027	CCTV wifi	Vodafone	38.32	7.67	46.00
1.7.22	DD025	Hall Wifi	Vodafone	24.32	4.86	29.18
15.7.22	DD026	Village Hall Water	Everflow	46.87	0.00	46.87
31.7.22	DD027	PWLB Loan	PWLB	1,162.08	0.00	1,162.08
15.7.22	DD028	Washroom Supplies (Hall)	Initial	91.83	18.37	110.20

(b) To note the bank reconciliation

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

# 22-113 To agree the standing orders and financial regulations

Members were sent the Standing Orders and Financial Regulations.

Item 3 M to be clarified and amended accordingly.

RESOLVED: Members agreed the Standing Orders and Financial Regulations for 2022-23.

# **22-114** To continue with the General Power of Competence

"Stoney Stanton Parish Council resolves from 12<sup>th</sup> July 2022 that having met the conditions of eligibility as defined in the Localism Act 2011 and SI 965 The Parish Councils (General Power of Competence)(Prescribed Conditions) Order 2012, to adopt the General Power of Competence".

# 22-115 Clerks Report

Members were asked about replacing the VAS batteries at the cost of £84 each plus Vat. **RESOLVED:** Members agreed the cost for 2 new batteries, the clerk to organise.

The clerk along with the police and playing fields committee will be doing a walk around Carey Hill Park and the playing fields in August due to the increase in anti-social behaviour.

The clerk is chasing LCC Legal for the documentation to allow the bollards to be replaced at the crossroads.

A stone plaque was discussed for the time capsule location and council agreed to share the costs with Manorfield school, the clerk to speak to the head teacher after the summer break.

#### **To note any correspondence**

Email received regarding Lymes Disease being caught at the meadow. A statement has been put out on social media but members agreed a sign on the entrance gate would be advisable.

# **22-117** To accept items for the newsletter

A double spread has gone to print with a section for the carnival with a big thank you, new councillor details, community awards, the jubilee celebrations, community liaison group and food bank.

#### 22-118 To update on the councillor co-option

No attendance or applications have been received.

#### 22-119 To consider the costs for the Vernon book

Mrs Vernon has agreed to donations for the book and to be given to St Michaels Church.

The costs of £255 from Baxters Publishing will be covered by the Parish.

Unfortunately due to the condition of the book, the publishers need the book scanning into PDF artwork and the clerk is trying to source someone able to do this.

# 22-120 To consider August recess

**RESOLVED:** Members agreed to take an August recess and Full Council will resume in September. All salaries and invoices for payments will be processed online as usual 9<sup>th</sup> August 2022.

# **22-121 Planning:**

#### **New applications:**

22/0578/FUL-Retention of outdoor seating with fencing and posts – The Blue Bell In No objections

 $22/0514/HH-Two\ storey$  and single storey rear extension - 3 Glebe Close No objections

22/0638/TEL – Proposed 5G telecoms installation – Station Road.

Objections raised were concerns due to proximity to a school and the location with regards to the Tritax development and possible highways changes to the junction.

22/0559/HH - Two storey front extension and single storey to rear and side -17 Shadrock Close - No objections

22/0591/HH – Demolition of existing outbuildings and single storey front extension replacement to form home office and gym – Stanton Farm, Broughton Road No objections

22/0595/FUL – Change of use of agricultural land to provide B8 use (storage and distribution) and installation of 110 storage containers as an extension to the existing site and proposed extension to the bund – Land SW of junction with Stanton Lane and Pingle Lane, Potters Marden.

Objections raised were that the access is the emergency exit for Calor Gas, part of the site in question is inside the exclusion zone for Calor Gas and are there restrictions on the contents allowed within the containers.

#### **Granted:**

None

#### 22-122 To note any update on the village drainage and flooding

Nothing new to report

# 22-123 To update on the Fosse Village Neighbourhood Plan

Nothing new to report

#### 22-124 To update on HNRFI

Nothing new to report

# 22-125 To update on plans for land west of the village

Nothing new to report

# 22-126 To update on other large planning developments

Nothing new to report.

#### 22-127 To receive reports

Allotments – A new allotment tenant, Mr David Springett has taken on 24a

WMPFC - In April 2018 Council were asked to be considered guardians of the playing fields land if their committee folded and this was minuted back then. Unfortunately, it appears from discussion with Mr Kittle that the charity commission did not accept the parish council to take

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on such a clause as we are not a charitable organisation and the trustees do not have the power to add such a clause, therefore minute 18-008 is no longer validated.

Stoney Stanton Library – No update

Youth Club – Open for some sessions over the summer.

Residents Association – No update

Dementia Champion – The next forget me dementia café is being held on Friday  $29^{\text{th}}$  July from 10-12am.

# 22-128 Chairman's Time.

Items were noted.

**Date of next meeting:** The next Full Council meeting is due to be held on 13<sup>th</sup> September 2022 at 7.30pm

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