

STONEY STANTON PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Full Council meeting of Stoney Stanton Parish Council held at the village hall on Tuesday 8th November 2022 at 7.30pm.

Parish Councillors:

Mr L Cousin (Chair)
Mrs J Dixon (Vice-chair)
Mrs S Astill
Mr M Macklin
Mr P Martin
Mr J Masters
Mr R Neal

Clerk: Miss R Ward

District & County Councillors: Two

Public Participation: None

22-188 Apologies

RESOLVED: Members accepted apologies from Cllr R Poynor
Members accepted apologies from Cllr F Gent

22-189 Declarations of Interest

Cllr L Cousin: Action Group, PTFA, Scouts
Cllr M Macklin: St Michaels Church & Manorfield School
Cllr F Gent: Large Planning developments
Cllr P Martin: Integrated network team for HBBC
Cllr J Dixon: Youth Club
Cllr R Neal: Bonsers

22-190 Minutes of the previous meeting

RESOLVED that the minutes of the Full Council meeting held on 11th October 2022 were agreed and signed.

22-191 Reports from County and District Councillors

Reports were received from Cllr Maggie Wright, Cllr Iain Hewson and Cllr Mike Shirley ahead of the meeting and sent to members.

Additional items discussed were that Blaby will be staying within the South Leicestershire Constituency and the HNRFI application date is now pushed to 2023 and await further details. LCC funding webinars will be taking place to see how they are going to cope with the large budget changes, some issues have arisen with the Foxconnect bus service which are being looked at and a request for data was mentioned. Strip counters have been located around the area and Cllr Maggie Wright was asked to look into them, she confirmed the ones on Station Road were at her request. Cllr Neal asked Cllr Wright to raise the issue of the delays on the LCC Switchboard and Cllr Masters offered help with the mental health item raised in her report.

22-192 Public Participation

No public were in attendance

22-193 To update on the village hall plans

The clerk advised the application to Tarmac was ongoing.

The floor repairs at the entrance have been started.

The request for the ballet bar is no longer going ahead.

CCTV options were discussed including Blink, Ring and Geek-Tech options.

RESOLVED: Members agreed to spend £600 on a ring system with Paul Clarke Electrical for the materials, installation and set up

RESOLVED: Members agreed an additional £80 for the ring subscription.

22-194 To consider Events

Christmas

Timings of the lights

Members were asked to consider suspending standing orders (7a) to revisit previous resolution of the Christmas Lights timings (currently 6am to 8.45am and 4.30pm to 11.45pm)

RESOLVED: Members agreed to suspend standing orders for this item and discussed the previous resolution and the reasons for changing the times which included perception of energy costs and leadership by example.

Cllr Neal was warned during the discussion to ensure he makes points of discussion relevant to the motion (standing order 1t) namely, the timing of the lights and the reasons behind that decision. Cllr Neal refused to recognise the authority of the chair and continued to make his point.

RESOLVED: Members agreed to change the tree lighting times to 4.30pm to 10.30pm only.

Cllr Neal then further attempted to influence the previous resolution, which was not permitted (Standing order 7b)

Chairman asked Cllr Neal continually to calm down and refrain from disorderly conduct, he was reminded of item 2b of the standing orders and a motion raised with members and he was asked to leave and be therefore, excluded from the rest of the meeting.

Cllr Neal refused to leave the meeting but left his councillor seat to then sit in the public seats.

The Star

Members were sent a report ahead of the meeting prepared by Chris Stubbs offering 4 options.

1. To complete as intended
2. To complete, but no frame and mount

3. Hand back what is completed and spare metal
4. Refund the amount back to council and scrap

The item was then briefly discussed again before Mr Neal, sitting in the public seats continued to disrupt the meeting, speaking over the Chair and preventing the meeting from being conducted and progressed in an orderly manner (standing order 3f, h, i).

Chairman was then given no option than to close the meeting as members were unable to continue due to the conduct of Mr Neal (standing order 2c).

22-195 **Date of next meeting:** The next Full Council meeting to continue with the November agenda is to be re-arranged.

22-196 **Finance**

Due to the suspension of the meeting, the banking payments were agreed under delegated powers and employee contracts to be paid and Cllr Cousin and Cllr Martin confirmed, signed and completed the authorisations for these online payments. Members had been given the payment schedule at the beginning of the meeting but they will be retrospectively agreed at the next meeting.

The meeting closed at 8.40pm

Signed: _____

Dated: _____