

# **STONEY STANTON PARISH COUNCIL**

**Minutes of the Full Council meeting of Stoney Stanton Parish Council held  
at the village hall on Tuesday 11th April 2023 at 7.30pm.**

**Parish Councillors:**

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

**Clerk:** Miss R Ward

**District & County Councillors:** Two

**Public in attendance:** Seven

**23-001      Apologies**

**RESOLVED:** Members accepted apologies from Cllr M Macklin

Members did not accept apologies from Cllr R Poynor

**23-002      Declarations of Interest**

Cllr L Cousin: Action Group, PTFA, Scouts  
Cllr J Dixon: Youth Club  
Cllr R Neal: Bonsers  
Cllr F Gent: Large planning developments  
Cllr P Martin: Integrated network team/PPG/Dementia Café  
Cllr J Masters: Dementia Cafe

**23-003      Dispensations**

None

**23-004      Minutes of the previous meeting**

**RESOLVED** that the minutes of the Full Council meeting held on 14<sup>th</sup> March 2023 were agreed and signed.

**23-005      Reports from County and District Councillors**

The reports were received and sent to members prior to the meeting.

Cllr Mike Shirley updated members on the status of the HNRFI application due to the inadequacy of the consultation and inaccuracies in the report, the Planning Inspectorate has until 14<sup>th</sup> April to make a decision on whether or not to accept the application.

Cllr Iain Hewson shared his functions list in his role as chairman of BDC and details of the forthcoming elections, where we will be in a new ward 'Fosse Stoney Cove' with new BDC representation.

Chairman thanked Cllr Hewson and Cllr Shirley, on behalf of the members, for all their help in the past and wished them well for the future.

Cllr Wright updated members about the new PPG (Patient Participation Group) at Old School Surgery and that they are looking for new younger attendees but changes are being discussed and implemented. They attended a network meeting of all PPG's which was useful and it was agreed that an article will be put into the next parish newsletter and that they would look to have a stall at the carnival.

Cllr Wright wished members good luck at the election and it has been a pleasure working together and thanked all.

Cllr Martin offered to attend the memorial for Dr Earnshaw on behalf of the parish council.

**23-006 Public Participation**

No items were raised.

**23-007 To update on the village hall plans**

The lighting in the container was completed on 31<sup>st</sup> March 2023

The fire alarm service was completed on 4<sup>th</sup> April 2023

The PAT testing is booked for 25<sup>th</sup> April for all equipment including the youth club.

Following Caroline's retirement the cleaning is currently being completed by the Zenith area supervisor and Council discussed the possibility of employing a cleaner directly.

**RESOLVED:** Members agreed to cancel the cleaning contract with Zenith, there is a 3 month contractual agreement, which will allow us time to find a suitable candidate. It was agreed to start on 6 hours a week at £11.22 per hour subject to review. The clerk will organise.

**23-008 To consider the tenders for the kitchen upgrade**

Members further discussed the options following the changes in appliances agreed at the last meeting for a commercial quick wash dishwasher and boiler tap option.

The three quotes were discussed and subject to cost, members would like to change the boiler tap to a Lincat automatic water boiler.

**RESOLVED:** Members agreed £14,875 costs from Portree Kitchens over Sherwin Hall and Prime Carpentry to include the new Lincat boiler. Fitting would be arranged in July (school holidays).

**23-009 To receive update from community events group**

Members received an update from the last CEG meeting prior to the council meeting and Cllr Masters updated members of the current position.

Their event does not require any permissions from the parish council and will run along side the Brass on the Grass event.

All details will be included in the next parish newsletter.

**23-010 To update on the plans for Brass on the Grass Kings' Coronation Event**

The clerk confirmed that St Johns Ambulance will be providing first aid between 1-4pm at the Brass on the Grass event, cost is £105.

The coronation mugs will be delivered shortly, Manorfield will be giving them to the children ahead of the Coronation. The costs have been agreed to be shared with Manorfield School, PTFA and the parish council, the clerk will invoice after the event.

The designs for the 3 plaques for the QEII Orchard, Coronation Oak Tree and Chatty Bench were agreed.

The event lighting on the Oak Tree will be displayed between 8pm and midnight on Saturday 6<sup>th</sup> and Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> May 2023.

**23-011 To consider the Community Awards Nominations**

The clerk sent the nominations ahead of the meeting, we received 20 nominations in total and members discussed at length and all nominees will be invited to the awards presentation on Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> May 2023 and each will receive either an award or certificate.

**RESOLVED:**

The Chris Fulton Award for Outstanding Service to the Community

Winner – Debbie Roach  
Runner Up – Alison Jackson

The Community Smile Award

Winner - Alison Spence & Mike Payne  
Winner – Sue Taylor  
Runner Up – Carl Mitchell (Fosse Animal Food Bank)  
Runner Up – Kim Chase & Gina (surname to be confirmed).

The George Hill Award for Sporting Achievement

Winner - Harvey Goodwin

Outstanding Achievement by a young person

Winner - Lucy Stratford

**23-012 To update on land management items**

Play area's

The annual Rospa play inspection has been completed on the 3 play area's and outdoor gym, the ropes on the rope weaver had to be replaced but everything else passed.

The roof on the kompan play equipment at Brindley Close has been damaged but is not essential repair, quote was for £885 plus, Council agreed to defer until early 2024 and replace as required from inspection.

The wooden stake on the Caledonian walking plank needs replacing, the clerk has requested a price and the item is currently taped off.

Angrave Drive Fencing Replacement.

Members were given 2 options to replace and repair the low level fencing along the path at Angrave Close.

**RESOLVED:** Members agreed to replace the 11 posts that are broken or need replacing and use the old rails at the price of £495 plus VAT with Future Fencing.

CCTV at WMPF

The electric sockets, lamp post and ducting are all ready for fitting, start date agreed w/c 24<sup>th</sup> April with a final meeting on 17<sup>th</sup> April at 1pm. The WMPF committee decided against installing a light on the lamp post at this stage.

**23-013 To consider updates at The Queen Elizabeth II Community Orchard**

The benches have been received and fitting is due in a couple of weeks and the plaques will be fitted on receipt.

The pathway is very wet along side the orchard and the clerk will look at a solution.

**23-014 To update on the maze for Disney Close**

The design is ongoing.

**23-015 To consider plans for the sett stones**

Paul Farrant completed the fitting of the design of the sett stones around the Quarryman.

**RESOLVED:** Members agreed planting flowers in red, white and blue ahead of the coronation and to put daffodil bulbs in for next spring, members agreed upto £150 spend.

**23-016 Finance**

(a) To sign and approve accounts/salaries for payment.

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

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

11.4.23	1	V3	Mobile	Three	14.71	2.94	17.65
11.4.23	2	V4	Grounds Maintenance	David Lloyd Pitchcare	1,171.66	0.00	1,171.66
11.4.23	3	V5	Cleaning Contract	Zenith Services	509.92	101.98	611.90
11.4.23	4	V6	Allotment Water	Waterplus	20.89	0.00	20.89
11.4.23	5	V7	Stationery	Staples	60.32	12.06	72.38
11.4.23	6	V8	Rospa play area repairs	Wicksteed Leisure Ltd	623.70	124.84	747.84
11.4.23	7	V9	Payroll services	Carter & Co	70.00	14.00	84.00
11.4.23	8	V10	Tree maintenance	Lloyds Pitchcare	180.00	0.00	180.00
11.4.23	9	V11	CCTV Electric (Feb)	N Power	33.49	1.67	35.16
11.4.23	10	V12	Payroll year end	Carter & Co	150.00	30.00	180.00
11.4.23	11	V13	Pest Control	Central pest control	50.00	0.00	50.00
11.4.23	12	V14	Benches	NBB Recycled Furniture	870.00	174.00	1,044.00
11.4.23	13	V15	Fire Alarm Maintenance	Daemon Fire & Security	172.33	34.46	206.79

11.4.23	14	V16	Sett Stone Installation	PRS Firestone Ltd	880.00	0.00	880.00
11.4.23	15	V17-V21	Expenses - Groundsman	Simon Dewar	137.57	28.56	166.13
11.4.23	16	V22	Grass Seed	Roz Ward	59.99	0.00	59.99
11.4.23	17	V23	LRALC/NALC membership	LRALC	760.29	0.00	760.29
11.4.23	18	V24	Van Parking	SS Library	75.00	0.00	75.00
11.4.23	19	V25	Youth Club Fees (Feb/Mar)	Young Leicestershire	1,122.96	0.00	1,122.96
11.4.23	20	V26	3 x green garden bins	Roz Ward	125.10	0.00	125.10
1.04.23	DD	DD086	St Michaels Car Park - NDR	Blaby District Council	79.83	0.00	79.83
1.04.23	DD	DD087	Long Street Car Park - NDR	Blaby District Council	35.28	0.00	35.28
1.04.23	DD	DD088	Wifi	Vodafone	43.49	8.69	52.18
20.3.23	DD	DD089	Village Hall Water	Everflow	37.91	0.00	37.91
30.3.23	DD	DD090	Paper hand towels	Initial	100.32	20.06	120.38
31.3.23	DD	DD091	Cheque bank charges	Unity Trust Bank	2.70	0.00	2.70
31.3.23	DD	DD092	Service Charge - Year end	Unity Trust Bank	43.35	0.00	43.35
5.4.23	DD	DD093	Village Hall Gas	British Gas Lite	257.77	12.89	270.66
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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.

### 23-017 To note the year end figures

Members noted the year end statement of account for 2022-2023. Following the April payment schedule, this will allow for a small figure to be agreed to move into reserves next month.

The clerk will now complete the AGAR (Annual Governance and Accountability Return) and prepare paperwork for the internal auditor before signing off in June ahead of being sent to the external auditor.

### 23-018 Clerks Report

The clerk updated her health status following her surgery and all went well and she has regular physio and has limitations for 12 months but fine to be back at work and appreciated the well wishes.

**RESOLVED:** Gifts were discussed for leaving members and agreed for the clerk to purchase:-

Cllr Jacqui Dixon - £25 Sapcote Nursery Voucher  
 Cllr Martin Macklin - £25 Sapcote Nursery Voucher  
 Cllr Iain Hewson – Bottle of Dalwhinney Whiskey  
 Caroline Moulton (retired cleaner) – Flowers

Chair updated members on the book by Mike Vernon and he wishes to contact Mrs Dorothy Vernon regarding the illustrations.

The award for Tom Martin is being dealt with my EMAS in house.

Members agreed for the carnival committee to sell raffle tickets at the Brass on the Grass event and Cllr Sue Astill and Cllr Francis Gent agreed to be the float judge.

Members were asked to help on the date of the Brass on the Grass, to meet around 12 noon to set up.

### 23-019 To note any correspondence

Enquiry received about land ownership of a strip of land at the rear of Taylor Close/Mountsorrel cottages – the clerk is looking into this.

**23-020 To accept items for the newsletter**

Coronation  
PPG  
Community Event Group  
Tritax/HNRFI  
Dementia Café

**23-021 Planning:**

**New applications:**

23/0093/FUL – Unit 2 Foxbank Industrial Estate, Station Road – Cladding alterations to extension of existing building, widening of lorry access and alterations to external storage area – No objections.

**Granted:**

23/0065/VAR – 41 Hinckley Road – Variation of conditions on 22/0988/RM to allow alterations to the design of the extension.

**23-022 To update on the Fosse Village Neighbourhood Plan**

No update expected until elections have been completed.

**23-023 To update on HNRFI (Hinckley National Rail Freight Interchange) and consider delegated powers to the clerk**

**RESOLVED:** Members agreed to delegate authority to the clerk to respond on the council's behalf concerning this application, where time limits don't allow the calling of a standard meeting.

**23-024 To update on plans for land west of the village**

No update received.

**23-025 To update on other large planning developments**

No new developments noted.

**23-026 To receive reports**

Allotments – Clerk is dealing with issues with new polytunnels and waste.

WMPFC – No update

Stoney Stanton Library – Easter raffle raised £162 and won funding for new heating.

Youth Club – No update

Residents Association – No update

Dementia Cafe – 1<sup>st</sup> anniversary 28<sup>th</sup> April so a larger event is planned.

Patient Participation Group – No further update.

**23-027 Chairman's Time.**

Items were noted.

**23-028 Date of next meeting:** The next Full Council meeting is due to be held on 16<sup>th</sup> May 2023 at 7.30pm

The meeting closed at 9.44pm

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

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