

STONEY STANTON PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Full Council meeting of Stoney Stanton Parish Council which was held at the village hall on Tuesday 9th April 2024 at 7.30pm.

Parish Councillors:

Mr L Cousin (Chair)
Mr C Stubbs (Vice)
Mrs S Astill
Mr S Bateman
Mrs R Bateman
Mr F Gent
Mr P Martin
Mrs J Lundean
Mrs S Eaves
Mr J Masters

Clerk: Miss R Ward

District & County Councillors: None

Public in attendance: Five

24-001 Apologies

RESOLVED: Members accepted the apologies from Cllr Max Eaves and noted the apologies from County Councillor Maggie Wright and District Councillor Neil Wright.

24-002 Declarations of Interest

Cllr L Cousin: PTFA, Action Group, Scouts, Liberal Democrat leader, Manorfield School.
Cllr F Gent: Large Planning Developments
Cllr S Eaves: Stoney Stanton Community Library
Cllr J Lundean: The Bluebell Inn

at Blaby District Council.

24-003 Dispensations

RESOLVED: Cllr F Gents continued dispensation stands

24-004 Minutes of the previous meeting

RESOLVED that the minutes of the full council meeting held on 12th March 2024 were agreed and signed.

24-005 Reports from County and District Councillors

District Councillors Neil Wright and Luke Cousin sent their report ahead of the meeting which included meeting attendance, HNRFI update and details relating to the Police and Crime Commissioner elections. The clerk will issue these onto the website for public viewing moving forward.

24-006 Public Participation

Some of the flooding action group asked council to ensure that all relevant information is shared with them via their email at info@stoneystanton.co.uk. The clerk advised that all information is received via Cllr Stubbs.



The clerk also advised that she would contact Andy Hayes at LCC to update on any possible funding options for available to the group. The group asked that the LLFA be approached for an update and to ask for consideration of their enforcement powers on work required.

A resident shared details of an email he had sent to BDC regarding war crimes.

An update was requested on Mr Vernon's book, chairman advised the current position.

A request for consideration of electrical charging points at St Michaels Car Park and the playing fields to be investigated.

A request for an explanation of the 7% increase in council tax for the parish was requested and chairman answered.

24-007 To report on the village hall

Toilets

The update to the water supply to the toilets is ongoing, the clerk to investigate funding options.

Roof repairs

Awaiting date for Bonsers Ltd to complete the tile repairs and repair to the leak above the front window at the village hall.

Pipe work boxing

Members were given details of a quote for the boxing in of the pipework in the main room to stop users standing on the pipes, the wooden boxes will have a sloped top. It was mentioned to include options to prevent water damage to the MDF, the clerk will speak with the contractor.

RESOLVED: Members agreed £450 from Greys Home Improvements for boxing in with sloped topped timber to the main room.

24-008 To consider repairs to the remembrance plaque

The clerk is waiting for an update from the War Memorial Trust on possible funding options, no response has been received from The Repair Shop and we need to confirm next meeting if we are to go ahead with the repair with Calibre Metalwork.

24-009 To consider nominations for the community awards

Members were given the award nomination ahead of the meeting and discussed these further, the awards will be presented on Tuesday 21st May after the annual parish meeting.

RESOLVED: Members agreed the following winners and the clerk will organise the glass trophies.

Outstanding Achievement by a young person – Kallum Jackson

Outstanding Service to the Community – Roy Mills and David Springett

Community Smile Award – Roy Mills

George Hill Award for Sporting Achievement – The late Bill Kittle
(it was also agreed that some flowers would be presented to Maria, Bills wife)



24-010

To update on land management items

Arboretum/Gated access

The council solicitors have confirmed they have written to the residents regarding gated access and will update again soon.

Fencing repair by Stream at the Persimmon Estate

The fencing has been completed and the homeowner has paid for the installation.

QEII Orchard/Water Bowser/Grillo

The QEII community orchard has been extended and residents have noted their interest in purchasing the trees and we have 12 trees remaining.

The Grillo machine has been taken to Sharnford Horticulture for a re-sale value and await an update.

Bleed Kit and cabinet

The clerk advised that the playing fields committee have made payment of £425 for the bleed kit, the invoice is on the payment schedule for authorization.

John Bridges from the Co-op has confirmed that they have granted permission for the installation next to the defibrillator at the shop in the centre of the village.

The groundsmen have confirmed that they will do the installation and the parish will maintain moving forward.

Noticeboard repair

The replacement public noticeboard opposite Nock Verges has been fitted.

Land Registry

Members were offered the option of registry for the land registry e-services to allow access to map search which required a variable direct debit. Members requested further information on the terms and conditions and allowing of shared information.

Drains

Highways confirm the drain works at Long Street, crossroads and Nock Verges would take place between 28-90 days depending on need.

24-011

To update on the Flooding

Cllr Stubbs advised there was nothing further to update currently.


Phil Jackson confirmed receipt of the container key.

24-012

To consider new play equipment

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signed:



Members discussed the options of new play equipment but were disappointed at the costs involved and decided to look at the repair on the bouncer, the clerk to advise the cost to repair all the legs. Update at next meeting.

24-013 To consider the updated emergency resilience plan

Members were sent the updated plan ahead of the meeting.

Small amendments were made and the plan agreed.

24-014 Finance

(a) To sign and approve accounts/invoices and 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 S Bateman and Cllr S Eaves

Date	Item No	Reference	Item	Payee	Net	Vat	Gross
09.04.24	1	V004	Grounds Maintenance	David Lloyd Pitchcare	1,171.66	0.00	1,171.66
09.04.24	2	V005-V014	Expenses	Roz Ward	399.62	37.99	437.61
09.04.24	3	V015	Mobile	Three	14.17	2.83	17.00
09.04.24	4	V016	Planning Training	LRALC	40.00	0.00	40.00
09.04.24	5	V017	Stationery	Staples	89.06	17.81	106.87
09.04.24	6	V018	Roof Deposit payment	Bonsers	236.25	47.25	283.50
09.04.24	7	V019	Long Street Surface water	Waterplus	49.98	0.00	49.98
09.04.24	8	V020	Fire Alarm Service	Daemon Fire & Secure	171.53	34.30	205.83
09.04.24	9	V021	Noticeboard	ES Solutions	185.00	37.00	222.00
09.04.24	10	V022	Pest control	Central Pest Control	50.00	0.00	50.00
09.04.24	11	V023	Youth Club Jan-Mar	Young Leicestershire	1,778.01	0.00	1,778.01
09.04.24	12	V024	Piano Tuner	Peter Allen	97.50	0.00	97.50
09.04.24	13	V025	Bleed Kit	Turtle Engineering	425.00	85.00	510.00
09.04.24	14	V026	Garden Waste Bins Subs	Roz Ward (BDC)	132.00	0.00	132.00
09.04.24	15	V027	Payroll service	Carter & Co	150.00	30.00	180.00
09.04.24	16	V028	PAYE/NI	HMRC	673.63	0.00	673.63
09.04.24	17	V029	CCTV Maintenance Contrac	Wilson Alarms	514.80	102.96	617.76
09.04.24	18	V030	LRALC/NALC Membership	LRALC	1,013.73	0.00	1,013.73
09.04.24	19	V031	Allotment/Gate Repair	Future Contractors	300.00	60.00	360.00
09.04.24	20	V032	Arboretum fence repair	Future Contractors	616.67	123.33	740.00
09.04.24	21	V033	CCTV Electricity	Npower	83.71	4.19	87.90
09.04.24	22	V034	Carnival Brochure entry	SS Carnival	80.00	0.00	80.00
02.04.24	DD	DD182	NDR - St Michaels Car Park	Blaby District Council	79.83	0.00	79.83
02.04.24	DD	DD183	NDR - Long Street Car Park	Blaby District Council	35.28	0.00	35.28
31.03.24	DD	DD184	Wifi	Vodafone	49.51	9.89	59.40
01.04.24	DD	DD185	Village Hall Gas	British Gas	618.56	30.93	649.49
01.04.24	DD	DD186	Village Hall Water (March)	Everflow	32.85	0.00	32.85
10.04.24	DD	DD187	Village Hall Water (April)	Everflow	1.13	0.00	1.13
26.03.24	DD	DD188	Village Hall Electricity	British Gas Lite	114.11	5.71	119.82
							9,832.78

(b) To note the bank reconciliation

RESOLVED: The bank reconciliation with associated paperwork was signed and dated by the Chair and Clerk.

24-015 To update on the .gov email domain

signed:



The clerk advised that all members now have a .gov email address via the Local Council's webmail with Cuttlefish Ltd.

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The website update has been completed. <https://www.stoneystantonpc.gov.uk/>

24-016

To note the year end figures

The clerk sent out a statement of accounts and bank reconciliation ahead of the meeting and copy of the annual return was noted at the meeting.



The clerk is due to have a visit with the internal auditor w/c 15th April and on completion the AGAR and governance statements will be signed at the May Full Council meeting.

The signed AGAR will then be sent to the government appointed external auditor, Moore Ltd.

24-017 To consider the cemetery fees

Members noted the cemetery fees and agreed that no increase is required.

24-018 Clerks Report

A free portrait of His Majesty King Charles III has been received and will be placed in the lounge room of the village hall.

The clerk advised she has chased the byelaw update with Weller Law Group and await an update.

The clerk advised she will add the LRALC updates as a standing item on the agenda and note anything important to members.

The road markings have been painted finally on Sapcote Road.

24-019 To note any correspondence

Parking on the verges on South Drive
Incident at WMPF – dealt with by the police/parents
Orchard tree requests
Drain updates
Land survey at Carey Hill obo Turleys
Funding criterias
Parole survey

24-020 To accept items for the next newsletter

Councillor information – Cllr Martin
Events
Parking issues
New email details
Dementia Café
Action Group

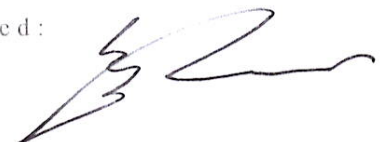
24-021 To consider adoption of the Parish Charter

Members were sent a copy of the draft parish charter for consideration, the document refers to the working relationships between the councils and how they will work together in the future, the council deferred to next meeting so the clerk can raise further issues.

24-022 Planning:

New applications:

24/0128/FUL – Unit 18 Highfields Farm Enterprise Centre – side extension to the property for a new spray booth with extraction.



Objections received from residents which are supported and agreed as objections from the parish council as appendix two to these minutes.

The parish objections relate to the fire safety issue with regards to the paint shop and should be noted, although outside the exclusion zone, is close to the Calor site. The noise generated by the extraction unit needs further investigation as does the chemical filtration due to lack of information noted in the manufacturers specification, the properties on the Mays Farm Estate are 40 metres away from the site location and did not receive any correspondence regarding this application.

Granted:

24/0058/HH - 11 Wright Road, Stoney Stanton – 2 storey side extension

Highfields Farm Development – 23/0740/FUL

Cllr Stubbs requested to speak at the planning meeting at BDC on 4th April and was disappointed that the planning was granted without further details being requested due to the lack of responses from the statutory bodies, lack of technical reasoning, flooding issues and traffic counters.

See appendix one attached to these minutes.

RESOLVED: Cllr Stubbs requested 2 hours of time with Jonathon Weekes, Planning Consultant for advice and help on the application and with planning legislation.

24-023 To update on the Fosse Villages plan or FVSOF meetings

No updates have been received.

24-024 To update on HNRFI (Hinckley National Rail Freight Interchange)

Council awaits the Planning Inspectorate decision due on 12th June 2024.

24-025 To update on plans for land west of the village

Turleys advised that the masterplan and answers to the questions raised at our meeting will be received by the end of April and then a meeting to be organised with the planning committee.

24-026 To update on other large planning developments

Cora Homes – the clerk to contact Cora Homes for an update.

Land disposal at South Drive – await formal update.

24-027 To receive reports

Allotments – Gate and fence repairs completed

WMPFC – AGM is due to be held on 1st May 2024 and have had a request from slimming world to hold a race for life on 23rd June.

Stoney Stanton Library – The new boiler is working well and quieter, thanks were given for the lending the grassed area for the fayre.



Youth Club – No update as closed over Easter.

Action Group – Discussion raised about an open day at the village hall regarding the planning applications around the village.

Dementia Cafe – The event with Manorfield school on 22nd March 10-12pm was a great success and Cllr Masters thanked everyone for their support. A piano playing event is organised for 26th July 2024.

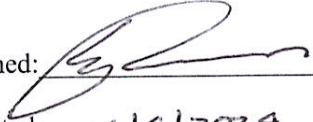
Patient Participation Group – The old school surgery are holding a meet and greet on Thursday 18th April between 3-5pm.

24-028 Chairman's Time.

Items were noted.

24-029 Date of next meeting: The next Council meeting will be the Annual Parish Council meeting followed by the May Full Council meeting to be held on 14th May 2024 from 7.30pm.

The meeting closed at 9.25pm

Signed:  _____

Dated: 14/5/2024

Appendix One: Verbal response at planning meeting held at BDC on 4th April 2024

Appendix Two: Objections response to 24/0218/FUL – Unit 18 Highfields

Appendix One – Full Council Meeting – 9.4.24

Verbal response at planning meeting held at BDC on 4th April 2024

I am speaking this evening on behalf of Stoney Stanton Parish Council regarding the documented and evidenced concerns that we have regarding the proposed Highfields Farm expansion.

Our main concerns relate to the increased water flows with what we consider to be inadequate mitigation measures as part of this development and wider issues with the water system in the village. For a number of residents and Parish Councillors, the New Year was spent pumping water to prevent it entering homes which is well documented in Blaby District Council and Leicestershire County Council due to overwhelming of the existing water courses and the issues associated with the over spill of raw sewerage into the surface water and as per the residents of Clint Hill Drive sewerage coming up through their internal drains and into their properties. In 2019 the village experienced significant property flooding that caused significant distress to many of the residents, the concern of the Parish Council is that this can not be repeated and to resolve the issue significant upgrades to the water systems throughout the village is needed before any additional development should be considered.

To put this in perspective, this development will add water to the system, both foul and fresh ahead of the existing capacity constraints of the water systems in the village and will culminate in additional raw sewerage spewing from manholes in the road and recreational areas as well as into properties through the foul water pipework. The Parish Council and residents have been engaged with Severn Trent on the issue, since 2017 where they have documented that the issues with the sewerage system relate to the capacity of the system with hydraulic overload – basically the system is not able to take the existing volume of water that the system is subjected to. Adding more to this system and given the conflicting statements within the reports that the applicant has provided that are documented in our response must not be considered.

It is noted in the responses to the application on the portal that there is no response from either the lead local flood authority or Severn Trent Water – a lack of response can not be taken that there is acceptance of the scheme and the possible mitigations are acceptable this would set a dangerous precedent.

With regards to the traffic through the village, Stoney Stanton Parish Council have evidence-based arguments that the surveys completed by the applicant are not representative of the either the traffic volumes nor the types of traffic that are seen throughout the year. The applicant's survey was completed between the May holidays and outside the season where Calor Gas operate at significantly higher volumes. We note that during modelling that there will 'only' be an additional 3 HGV movements through the narrow Long Street during peak hours. This is the same junction where there

have been multiple vehicles strikes against buildings going back over a period of time and in 2017 a report by LCC Highways deemed the junction to be unable to be upgraded due to the location of buildings, and given additional traffic equals additional risk, then this should be considered as a detrimental impact to the village.

In the meantime, there have been major developments proposed in the area that are not considered in this proposal despite already been submitted ahead of it, each of the developments have drawn the same conclusion that the roundabouts and infrastructure through the village is already at capacity, but upgrading will be very difficult. This development will add traffic and indeed additional HGV traffic without addressing the issues that already exist and will make the situation significantly worse for the existing residents and road users. A culmination of proposals, none of which are considering the other will result if these are accepted as a huge and unmeasured impact on the village and community. The increase in traffic also poses an additional health risk from air bourn pollution from vehicles exhausts and the soon to be legislated tyres and brakes. Given the receptors of this pollution are immediately adjacent to the roads the additional traffic will add to the declining health of the village already dubbed asthma valley due to the significantly higher than average cases of asthma and respiratory health conditions seen in the village.

During the application process the applicant has not engaged at all with the community or the Parish Council to determine what could be considered ahead of a submission which is a shame considering the effort the Parish Council and others have gone to previously to document concerns and issues surrounding this proposal.

In conclusion, the application does not address the existing issues that the residents of the village are being exposed to and the mitigations and upgrades that are proposed are not sufficient to make a bad situation even worse. I ask the planning committee to consider the effects on the population of the village ahead of a development that will add negligible benefits and significant issues to Stoney Stanton.

Thank you for your time.

Planning Application:

Ref: Side extension to house new spray booth with extraction flue.

Unit 18 Highfields Farm Enterprise Centre, Huncote Road, Stoney Stanton

Application Number: 24/0218/FUL

4th April 2024

F.A.O. Stoney Stanton Parish Council

Dear Sir/Madame/Councillor's

As a resident of Cadle Close, Stoney Stanton, I am raising the awareness of the above planning application to the Stoney Stanton Parish Councillor's.

It would be greatly appreciated if the Parish Council would give their support in the **objection** of this application.

I will also be making my objections on the Blaby Planning Portal before 13th April outlining my objections to this application.

Before making any of the objections below I have spent several hours reading about the Spray Booth structure, usage etc. I am also well aware of H&S and Environmental legislations, but this application is still a risk to the residents of Cadle Close + and the surrounding environment.

Paint Spray Booth & Oven – Olympian 100 Combination Spray Booth/Oven

- * Spray booths act like a vacuum system
- * They create an air stream that pulls air from one area to another
- * Fans move the air
- * Filters capture airborne paint particles (if maintained correctly) but not necessarily fumes
- * Ducting directs airflow
- * Solvents & other chemical substances used in a spray booth contain **Volatile Organic Compounds (VOCs)**

The reasons for our objections are outlined below

1. Building

The unit itself is believed to be a self-contained structure which only requires level ground, can I please point out that it seems that they have pre-empted they will receive planning permission as they have only recently concreted the area where the structure is proposed to be sited. (This however has caused increased noise as vehicle movement such as Forklift trucks rattle extremely loudly on the concrete, this will

be taken further with Blaby Council Noise/environment Control at a later date)

On the plans it shows that the building is 40 metres away from the nearest residential building, but this is to the far end of the proposed structure, when in fact the unit is 6 metres long so the distance is actually only 34 metres from the nearest dwelling. The extraction flue at 6 metres high is in line with approximately 20 dwellings and their back gardens. The majority of dwelling in line of this are people who are now working from home/ have young children or retired.

As this unit only requires level ground why (???) are they not situating it at the other end of the main unit which would be a good distance from any residential dwelling, although objections would still be mainly the same.

2. Noise & disturbance

34k Direct Drive Fans

Burners for ovens

Time delay of shut down of fans and ovens

Forklift truck loading and unloading into unit

Air pressure spraying

Hours of working?

3. Fumes

The extraction flue is in line with approximately 20 dwellings back gardens. The majority of dwelling in line of this are people who are now working from home/ have young children or retired.

Does this mean that having windows and doors open in the summer or relaxing in our own back garden could be a potential hazard for the residents.

The flue for this Spray Booth **will** be extracting some fumes into the air which can be carried a long way dependant on the wind conditions. The fumes have the potential to cause irritation of the skin, eyes & throat.

The wind direct could affect 5, 20 or even 100 houses within the area of Cadle Close and Mays Farm Drive

The information given about the system with planning states " it is essential to use a certain filter which 99% of pollutant (overspray) can be captured." On Volatile Organic Compounds so close to residential dwellings the rate should be 100% !

4. Hazards & Flammable

When reading articles about the spray booths a question asked numerous of times "What gases are used in a Paint Spray Booth" the answer given – Gases & fluids in a typical Paint booth environment

include compressed air, carbon dioxide, nitrogen, methane, natural gas, helium & custom gas mixes and of course paint and solvents. The majority or perhaps all of these are highly flammable and hazardous gases and fluids all within a 34meter distance of a residential building.

5. Wildlife

Although this section should be higher up the list in my opinion. The application will be backing onto open fields with a vast array of field hedging. The wildlife within this area is abundant with a full range of bird life, Pheasants, Foxes, Badgers even Muntjac (Roe deer) to name just a few of the field/hedge's wildlife. The flue for this Spray Booth **will** be extracting some fumes into the air which can be carried a long way dependant on the wind conditions. As mentioned in an earlier section the fumes has the potential to cause irritation of the skin, eyes & throat, this would all be a risk to our wildlife.

Thank you,

any assistance from the Stoney Stanton Parish Council with this objection would be greatly appreciated.

Regards

Residents of Cadle Close

Below are the residents who have specifically asked their house numbers to be added to this letter.

2 Cadle Close / 3 Cadle Close / 4 Cadle Close/ 7 Cadle Close

8 Cadle Close /10 Cadle Close /16a Cadle Close / 16b Cadle Close /

16c Cadle Close / 18 Cadle Close / 20 Cadle Close

22 Cadle Close / 28 Cadle Close / 38 Cadle Close / 40 Cadle Close /

42 Cadle Close / 29 Mays Farm Drive

Jackie & Kev Knight

16a Cadle Close

Stoney Stanton

