

MINUTES of a meeting of the STANFORD IN THE VALE PARISH COUNCIL held on Wednesday 6th January 2016 in Stanford Village Hall

Present: Cllr.P.Lewis(Chair) Cllr.Gill Cllr.Isaacs Cllr.Warren Cllr.N.Lewis
Cllr. Jenkins Cllr.Bailey Cllr.Fletcher
D.M.Dew (Clerk) 2 Parishioners

1/01/16 To receive apologies and reason (If Offered)

Cllr.Williams Cuss (Unwell) Cllr.Jackson (Unwell) Cllr.Tilley (OCC) Cllr.Sharp(VWHDC)

2/01/16 To receive declarations of interest from Councillors on any agenda item

Cllr.P.Lewis , Cllr. Isaacs item 19 Accounts for payment

3/01/16 To receive,approve and sign minutes of previous meeting 2nd Dec 2015

ON THE RESOLUTION OF Cllr.ISAACS
SECONDED BY Cllr. N.LEWIS
IT WAS RESOLVED that the minutes be signed as a true record

4/01/16 To receive report of County Councillor

Council had received a report which had been circulated

5/01/16 To receive report of District Councillor

Nil

6/01/16 Questions/comments from Parishioners

Former Councillor handed over a file of Millennium Green paperwork. He also commented about the Millennium Green gates which needed derusting and painting. This has been discussed before and is in hand. He also asked about the cutting of hedging etc in Marlborough Lane which he in fact had cleared a length of. Highways to be contacted.

There were further complaints regarding the increase in dog mess – again item to newsletter There had also been complaints regarding horse mess on pavements. It emerged that horse had got loose from fields and run through the village and gardens. Cllr.Jenkins to speak to the Neighbourhood Policing Team as it was thought that there were other reasons behind the incident

Cllr.Gill stated that a person had contacted him regarding donation of a bench. Cllr. Gill to get more information regarding location

There was discussion regarding the HWRC and various suggestions made to further prolong the use including payment for use and ways in which users could share their views on these suggestions

7/01/16 To discuss planning applications

P15/V2886/HH – 44 Hunters Field – Proposed conservatory

ON THE RESOLUTION OF Cllr.P.LEWIS

SECONDED BY Cllr.GILL

IT WAS RESOLVED that there were no objections to this application

Details Pursuant to Condition 4 of Planning Permission R3.0100/14 at Stanford HWRC

ON THE RESOLUTION OF Cllr.ISAACS

SECONDED BY Cllr.BAILEY

IT WAS RESOLVED that there were no objections to the restoration plan but given the proximity to the adjacent community woodland , we request that OCC considers restoring the site through planting of indigenous species in line with those found in the woodland.

However we point out that we have previously provided consultation feedback on the retention of the site as an active HWRC and which is our preferred option.

A copy of this feedback was sent to OCC with this resolution

8/01/16 Report of Clerk

Acrylic panels replaced on notice boards

Complaints about horse droppings (as previously discussed at item 6) Cleared from pavements by our staff

There was no indication as to whether the OCC grass cutting subsidy would be paid for 2016/17

There was a proposed 1% increase in Clerks salary although this as yet to be ratified

Asked that he be notified regarding the invoicing of PPC for newsletter

9/01/16 To receive report of Chairman inc items for next agenda

I have been in contact with VWHDC ref.tax base & have circulated their response regarding the calculation, which I will take as read.

I have also contacted County Cllr Melinda Tilley regarding applying for s106 funds for public transport, but nothing back to date.

Have received a copy of an email from OCC as Parish Transport rep – invitation (as a bus provider) to meet with local councils etc. to discuss possible options moving forward, but this wasn't felt to be advantageous for the mini-bus.

More correspondence from lady in Hunters Field regarding dog mess – item to newsletter and investigate other options

10/01/16 Correspondence

Lord – Lieutenant of Oxfordshire – HM Queen's 90th Birthday – request for information regarding planned village activities

OALC – Information regarding no capping for PC precepts

Cllr.Fletcher – Temporary move overseas – Cllr.Fletcher would be overseas until September and while he would make every effort to attend meetings it may not be possible and would resign if

Council thought it best although he would like to remain a Councillor

ON THE RESOLUTION OF Cllr.P.Lewis

SECONDED BY Cllr.GILL

IT WAS RESOLVED that Cllr Fletcher remain a Councillor and attend meetings where possible and send apologies as required

11/01/16 To discuss QEII lease and next steps

Lease when it arrives needs to be signed “in front” of an independent solicitor by Chairman and Clerk (as proper Officer of Council). Council needs to re-apply to planning for recreation use and there are conditions regarding levelling of site and use of at least one area for sport within a time limit. It was decided that a village consultation meeting was required and this was set for 22nd April 7.30pm and 23rd April 10.00 am both in village hall

12/01/16 To discuss 2016/2017 budget

There was a lengthy discussion and Chairman presented table below with several scenarios. It was felt that more use could be made of volunteers and a list of volunteers will be compiled. It was felt that critical jobs could be carried out by professional s while non-critical could be carried out by volunteers. Chairman also thought that each job should be costed .Taking into consideration the need for maintenance, loss of subsidies, it was considered that an increase was necessary. The reduction next financial year of Council tax grant of £679 could be off set by a 2.859% increase and the possible loss of grass cutting subsidy could be found from reserves

	2015	Unchanged	Pro-Rata				
Precept	£19,200	£19,200	£19,347	£19,900	£20,500	£21,000	£22,000
Tax Base	836.6	843	843	843	843	843	843
Cost to Band D	£22.95	£22.78	£22.95	£23.61	£24.32	£24.91	£26.10
% Change	-	-0.759%	0.000%	2.859%	5.960%	8.545%	13.713%
£ Change	-	£0	£147	£700	£1,300	£1,800	£2,800

13/01/16 To set precept 2016/2017

On the resolution of Cllr.Gill that the precept be set at £20,500 there was no seconder

ON THE RESOLUTION OF Cllr.ISAACS
SECONDED BY Cllr.BAILEY

IT WAS RESOLVED that the precept 2016/2017 be set at £19,900

Approve 7 votes for 1 against

14/01/16 To discuss/agree amendments to Standing Orders

Item to next agenda

15/01/16 To discuss Community Assets Register

Item to next agenda

16/01/16 To discuss PC Investments/Strategy

Further discussion required. No date for money transfer

17/01/16 To discuss installation/cost of CCTV

Due to high cost for good equipment no further discussion necessary

18/01/16 To receive and approve Monthly Statement of Accounts

ON THE RESOLUTION OF Cllr.GILL

SECONDED BY Cllr.WARREN

IT WAS RESOLVED that the Monthly Statement of Accounts be approved

19/01/16 To approve Accounts for Payment

Accounts for payment/approval

2 Dec	D.Rolls	Grass/maint.	1016.00
2 Dec	P.Lewis	Graffiti remover	12.06
2 Dec	OCC	School hire(NPL)	18.00
2 Dec	Millen.G. Trust	Use of Crest	100.00
10 Dec	Community First	Survey(NPL)	660.00
10 Dec	Pure Cold Ltd	Acrylic panels	244.80
18 Dec	D.M.Dew	Salary	666.26
18 Dec	C.Stallard	Litter	60.00
18 Dec	HMRC	PAYE/NI	188.25

Monthly Statement of Accounts

Cash at Bank

Beginning balance		28033.06
Cleared transactions	-2667.44	
Cleared balance		25366.62
Uncleared transactions	-7472.32	
Registered balance as at 01/12/15 (Includes £4092 NPL funds)		17893.30

30 day Business Account

Beginning balance		7887.81
Cleared transactions	1.00	
Registered balance as at 09/11/15		7888.81

ON THE RESOLUTION OF Cllr.GILL
SECONDED BY Cllr.JENKINS
IT WAS RESOLVED that the accounts be paid

20/01/16 To receive report from Recreation & Leisure Committee

Meeting 3rd February 2016 Village hall

21/01/16 To receive report from Environmental Committee

Meeting 3rd February 2016 Village hall. Report from Cllr.Jenkins that footpaths need to be registered by 2026

22/01/16 To receive report from Neighbourhood Plan

Nil

23/01/16 Date of next meeting

2nd March 2016

There were no further comments from Parishioners