

**Minutes of a meeting of the STANFORD IN THE VALE PARISH COUNCIL held on Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> February 2019 in Stanford Primary School**

**Present:** Cllr.Lewis(chair) Cllr.Warren Cllr.Gill Cllr.Isaacs Cllr.Jackson Cllr.Bailey  
Cllr.Jenkins Cllr.Howes Cllr.Middleton

County Cllr.A.Fitzgerald O'Connor D.M.Dew (Clerk) 2 Trustees PPCharity

**01/02/19 To receive apologies and reason (If offered)**

Cllr.Williams Cuss (Business)

**02/02/19 To receive Declarations of Interest from Councillors on any agenda item**

Nil

**03/02/19 To receive, approve and sign as a true record minutes of previous meeting 2<sup>nd</sup> January 2019-**  
Due to logistical problems On the resolution of Cllr.Lewis Seconded by Cllr.Howes it was resolved that this item be deferred to March meeting

**04/02/19 To receive report of County Councillor**

Regarding previous enquiry re cost of Salt Bins – OCC charge £250 + VAT. These were considered to be very expensive and can be purchased far cheaper from other sources

County budget meeting next week and if approved would be a 2.99% increase this year and 1.99% next year. This would allow a £1 million input into Youth Services.

Councillor was questioned about the supposed 28 day response to FIXMYSTREET which it was felt was regularly missed, there was no further information available from Highways.

Bow Road sweeping – she has requested Highways to do this Cllr.Lewis asked that she respond to him within 2 weeks regarding progress

Cllr.Bailey said that she attended a County/ Parish Forum regarding A420 strategy and Stanford has not been invited to join the strategy group although several villages along the A420 had joined .While the County Councillor stated that this group had been in existence for several years Cllr.Bailey argued that this group was a new venture and that Stanford should be included and wanted to be involved with discussions.

The County Councillor stated that she was doing her best and was frustrated at outcomes

**05/02/19 Report of District Councillor**

Nil

**06/02/19 Questions/Comments from parishioners**

Discussions regarding building site at Horsecroft re digging of trenches and possible damage to listed buildings. Chairman to speak to developer regarding utilities works

Farm traffic is still using Horsecroft for access despite planning application stating otherwise

Questioned use of caravan at Woodyard Hatford – Planning application for permanent dwelling

PPC Trustees – stated that the around £27,000 pa was being generated for the benefit of the community, but that currently requests for support were below this amount. Changes are being made

regarding governance i.e. rules concerning replacement of items and streamlining of the Newsletter. Council thanked the PPC for the grant towards cable burying on QEII field and advised that substantial, additional spending was anticipated, albeit subject to various approvals. Report of damage to grass verge Van Diemens by Biffa lorry. This verge is Sovereign responsibility. Cllr.Middleton to contact VWHDC

**07/02/19**

**To receive report of Clerk**

Flood lights – SSE have reduced the repair bill, thanks to Cllr.Jackson for his input  
CO-OP refitting – date not yet confirmed and defib siting awaiting confirmation from estates manager  
OXTOG Survey – Do we wish to carry out work for OCC. Chairman to complete and return  
Bootcamp – Another session running on Saturday mornings. On the resolution Of Cllr.Gill seconded by Cllr.Lewis, it was resolved that the charge be £5 per session

**08/02/19**

**To receive report of Chairman**

Paul Neal has confirmed that he is prepared to continue to act as Internal Auditor for the current year, I have passed on Council's thanks for all his efforts.

I'm delighted to confirm that we have received the sum of £9,320.56 from the PPC on 23/01/19 and £3,610 on 18/01/19 from VWHDC, being the outstanding grant monies for the pylon move.

I have been in contact with the Pre-School and reiterated our position regarding the style of fencing, and whilst they expressed disappointment, understood the reasons behind this.

I have been contacted by a resident in Horsecroft, with concerns around damage to the verge by the contractors building the new development at Penstones Farm, which I'm currently addressing.

I've also heard back from the resident in Nursery End with regards the Private Road signage, which I understand to now be resolved.

Thames Water – Sewage Works – have discussed with their incident manager, there has been a major failure within the plant, causing damage inside the tank. Consequently, they are having to pump the contents out 24/7 in order to drain down the tank to repair. Assured that damage to the verge would be remedied once works are complete – have requested that they introduce some protective matting in the interim to prevent excessive erosion and mud on the road.

Thames Water – proposed works Bow Road/Gainfield. Have also spoken to their contact for this, explained historic issues with barriers and asked that they ensure lights are sensor operated and work effectively, to minimise unnecessary delays. All information being passed to their contractor.

Information ref. internet banking has now been shared with Cllr Warren (earlier this evening).

Redwood Savings Account – 2<sup>nd</sup> application form is with me tonight for signatures.

I have not yet had the opportunity to progress the preapp advice in respect of potential future burial ground sites.

Finally, have been contacted by a parishioner regarding the sunken ironworks on the A417 – I have not yet replied, as was hoping our County Councillor would have been able to shed some light on the matter of Fixmystreet requests, Cllrs Bailey & Jenkins found plans for these particular works on roadworks.org suggesting a plan date of 25/02/19 – I shall advise resident accordingly.

**09/02/19**

**To receive Correspondence**

David Wilson Homes – response to meeting 7<sup>th</sup> January 2019 – To be circulated

Simplyplanning – Cottage Farm site – request for meeting – Circulated

VWHDC – Time table Elections 2<sup>nd</sup> May 2019 – Circulated

CPRE – membership confirmation

**10/02/19 To discuss Planning Applications**

**P18/V3101/HH Greenfield House Bow Road SN7 8JB**

*Proposed single storeyside extension and dormer window with associated internal alterations*

ON THE RESOLUTION OF Cllr.ISAACS  
SECONDED BY Cllr.GILL  
IT WAS RESOLVED that there were NO OBJECTIONS

**P19/V0191/HH – P19/V0192/LB Cromwell House High St. SN7 8NQ**

*Demolition of previous single storey extension and its replacement with a 2 storey rear extension.  
Replacement of vertical tile hanging. Removal of partition to reinstate a single bedroom*

ON THE RESOLUTION OF Cllr.JENKINS  
SECONDED BY Cllr.ISAACS  
IT WAS RESOLVED that this be FULLY SUPPORTED *due to the choice of materials used and enhancement of architectural value*

**P18/V2553/O – The Woodyard Hatford SN7 8JE**

*Erection of permanent workers dwelling and lunge pen(As amended by additional information received on 4<sup>th</sup> January 2019 . Red line as amended by plan received on 25<sup>th</sup> January 2019)*

ON THE RESOLUTION OF Cllr.BAILEY  
SECONDED BY Cllr.JENKINS  
IT WAS RESOLVED that there were NO OBJECTIONS *but concerns over future plans*  
*Voting - There was 1 abstention*

**11/02/19 To approve Accounts for Payment**

2 <sup>nd</sup> January	Stanford Village Hall	Hall Hire	18.50
16 <sup>th</sup> January	D.Grimes	Mower shed gates repair	20.00
24 <sup>th</sup> January	CPRE	Membership	36.00
25 <sup>th</sup> January	D.M.Dew	Salary Jan	739.41
25 <sup>th</sup> January	C.Stallard	Litter picking	60.00
25 <sup>th</sup> January	HMRC	PAYE & NI	215.46
1 <sup>st</sup> February	Stanford Village Hall	Hall Hire	25.40
6 <sup>th</sup> February	D.Rolls	Maint/Mowing/salting	193.50
6 <sup>th</sup> February	SSE Contracting Ltd	Floodlight repair	431.21

ON THE RESOLUTION OF Cllr.WARREN  
SECONDED BY Cllr.ISAACS  
IT WAS RESOLVED that the Accounts be approved/Paid

**12/02/19 To approve Monthly Statement of Accounts**

**Cash at Bank**

**£35,759.70**

**Business 30 day Notice Account**

**£2,905.78**

**Neighbourhood Plan**

**£1,309.00**

ON THE RESOLUTION OF Cllr.BAILEY  
SECONDED BY Cllr.ISAACS  
IT WAS RESOLVED that the Statement of Accounts be approved

**13/02/19 To consider and discuss Budget 2019/2020**

P & L report to be circulated and item deferred to March meeting

**14/02/19 To consider new computer/software for Clerk**

Following discussion the Chairman will look at various options

ON THE RESOLUTION OF Cllr.WARREN  
SECONDED BY Cllr.ISAACS  
IT WAS RESOLVED that up to £1,000 be approved for purchase

**15/02/19 To discuss purchase of Fruit Trees**

Following discussion

ON THE RESOLUTION OF Cllr.BAILEY  
SECONDED BY Cllr.ISAACS  
IT WAS RESOLVED that £250 be approved for purchase of trees

**16/02/19 To discuss PC Investment Policy**

Thanks to Cllr.Howes for his contribution. Item to next agenda to discuss way forward

**17/02/19 To receive report of Environmental Committee**

At the recent committee meeting there was frustration regarding no response from VWHDC/DWH over Nursery End footpaths, and also Horsecroft footpath links. It was decided that a meeting be requested with VWHDC to consider enforcement. Levelling of QEII field had been discussed as had the purchase of fruit trees.

**18/02/19 To receive report of Recreation & Leisure Committee**

Nil

**19/02/19 To receive report of Public Works of Art Liaison Working Party**

The second artist has visited the village and is preparing a feasibility design

**20/02/19 To receive report of Neighbourhood Plan**

At the last meeting, 4<sup>th</sup> February 2019 we had a further meeting with Sharon Brentnall of Bluestone Planning. She clarified that her company would continue supporting us as the Vale had just replaced their NP Officers who would not be sufficiently briefed enough to start working with us.

Bluestone will ensure our sustainability and Scoping reports are ready for examination Sharon of Bluestone has given us a good feedback on our draft policies and will continue to do so.

Our next meetings are 25<sup>th</sup> February and 4<sup>th</sup> March

**21/02/19 To receive report of Millennium Green Trust**

Minutes have been circulated. It was requested and hoped that more people would attend meetings the next being 20<sup>th</sup> March. 2 Quotes have been requested for hedging

**22/02/19 Date of next meeting**

6<sup>th</sup> March 2019

**23/02/19 Questions/comments from Parishioners**

Nil

Note; Annual Village Meeting 17<sup>th</sup> April 2019

Annual Meeting of Parish Council 8<sup>th</sup> May 2019