

Minutes of a meeting of the STANFORD IN THE VALE PARISH COUNCIL held on Wednesday September 2008 in the Millennium Hall Stanford in the Vale

There were no questions/comments from Parishioners

Present: Cllr.P.G.McMorrow(Chair) Cllr.S.Bambury(Dep.Chair) Cllr.P.Gill
 Cllr.B.Burls Cllr.Mrs.G.McMorrow Cllr.M.Isa
 Cllr.D.Monahan Smith Cllr.M.Vallis
 Cllr.M.Tilley(County Cllr.) Cllr.R.Sharp(District Cllr.) D.M.Dev

1/09/08

Apologies

Cllr.G.Hughes (Personal)

2/09/08

Declarations of Interest by Councillors on any agenda item

Item 7 Correspondence and any item concerning “Stanford Relief in Need Charities”
 Cllr.M.Isaacs – Cllr.D.Monahan Smith

3/09/08

Minutes of previous meeting 2nd July 2008 to be received and signed as a true record

ON THE RESOLUTION OF Cllr.P.GILL

SECONDED BY Cllr.D.MONAHAN SMITH

IT WAS RESOLVED that the minutes be signed as a true record

4/09/08

Report of County Councillor

Council congratulated Cllr.Tilley on her “promotion” to Cabinet Member for Pusey. Councillor explained that her remit included deprivation and social injustice and she had already started visiting places such as Banbury and was due to visit other areas. Further enquiries had been made regarding use of former landfill site for recreation purposes. Cllr. Gill asked if County could pursue and possibly pay for work at the Parish Council to repair areas disturbed by Utility companies ie A417 grass. Cllr. Tilley was also asked if a check could be made on type of materials being “back-filled” in quarries. Councillor Tilley said that several complaints had been received regarding “tree protectors” in Pusey and that the person responsible had been told to remove them from road safety grounds.

5/09/08

Report of Clerk

- 1) Reminded Council that the next meeting would include budget proposals and precept for 2009/2010 and that attention should be paid to increased maintenance costs
- 2) Reported an accident of a smashed car window during strimming. Insurance claim submitted to Council insurers.
- 3) During the preparation of new village hall lease it arose that part of the land was not registered and he was in the process of doing so
- 4) A Tappins coach had driven on part of Church Green and following lack of any witness and refusal by Tappins to accept responsibility the green had been repaired at our expense
- 5) Following reports of use of smoking shelter at Football club by youths as late 3.30am the Police will be informed

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6/09/08

Report of Chairman

- 1) Completion of Junior Playground project and the High Street tree protection kerbs. The contractor also moved the earth to the A417
- 2) With Cllr.Isaacs and the Footpaths Representative he had inspected and reviewed for replanting

where necessary the Footpaths, Kissing Gates (Large) bridges and need for sundry improvements. A report is awaited from OCC's M Sumner for action and grant applications

- 3) Perry's Road car park behind garages. Light required for visitors to the elderly. PC supports representations to Vale Housing and SEB
- 4) Millennium Green Trusteeship, transfer stage nearer
- 5) Chair and Mrs McMorrow attended Thames Water Reservoir proposal meeting 21 July 2008 decision at Secretary of State level
- 6) Attended Village Hall Management Committee 25th Anniversary 13 July 2008
- 7) Cotswold Playgrounds contacted re; Whirleygig repairs. Cllr Isaacs said that future equipment carry a 10 year guarantee at least.
- 8) Stanford Charities – update on proposals, Chair to be contacted. Whilst already declaring Cllrs Isaacs and Monahan Smith stated that after considering the Council's offer the charity concerned over planning and change of use and also decided to ask the present lease holder to accept his offer. Council had already been notified by planning that no change of use was required and was surprised as their understanding of the regulations is that the Trustees should accept the best offer available. Clerk to contact Charity

7/09/08 Correspondence

- 1) Faringdon East Neighbourhood – Anti-Social Environmental Issues reporting – Noted
- 2) Stanford Relief in Need Charities – Acknowledgement of letter
- 3) Millennium Green Trust – Copy of letter sent to Natural England
- 4) Crowdy & Rose – Village Hall Lease held by them
- 5) SIV FC – Account for Floodlight electricity
- 6) VWHDC – Notification of Appeal Hearing date 22 Horsecroft
- 7) OCC – Disabled Parking Space Upper Crale – No objections
- 8) European Recycling Co. – Siting of shoe recycling bank – Refused due to close proximity to site
- 9) VWHDC – Removal of tree 7 Upper Green – Supported
- 10) PPC – Grant cheques for Climbing net and kerbing
- 11) OCC – Approval for extraction of limestone Hatford Quarry
- 12) Henmans - Will respond to letter re: Bow Road when riparian owner returns from holiday
- 13) VWHDC – The Big Tidy Up – Not required for Stanford
- 14) Independent Advice Centre – Notification of AGM 11/09/08 Ardington

8/09/08 Report of District Councillor

Reported on proposal to amalgamate senior positions with South Oxfordshire DC. D. Gill has been appointed CEO of the two councils and other director positions were due for appointment. This is producing an expected saving of about £ ¾ . Thames Water had been challenged by the Environment Agency regarding the expected daily water consumption which would result in a cost for the proposed reservoir. Cllr Gill asked for likelihood of Community grant to erect a goal behind FC goal

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9/09/08 Planning

STA/20648 – 3 Upper Green – Erection of new double garage with attached storage area
Not Supported – Restricted vision for oncoming traffic Driveway unused for many years

STA/20503/1 – 9 Cowderoy Place – Erection of single storey sun room – Not Supported
wrong plans provided by District Council

10/09/08 War Memorial

Letter from Mr. R. Walker read for inclusion in newsletter.
ON THE RESOLUTION OF Cllr. BAMBURY

SECONDED BY Cllr.MONAHAN SMITH

IT WAS RESOLVED that the letter be amended and passed to Mr.Walker for comment with 1 parishioners to respond

11/09/08 Bow Road Improvements
The work carried out by the Council appears to have prevented the flooding that occur

12/09/08 Bow Road Traffic Calming
Following the withdrawal of objections to the scheme and the recent accident
ON THE RESOLUTION OF Cllr.BAMBURY
SECONDED BY Cllr.ISAACS
IT WAS RESOLVED that OCC Highways be asked to provide traffic calming

13/09/08 Monthly Statement of Accounts
ON THE RESOLUTION OF Cllr.BAMBURY
SECONDED BY Cllr. ISAACS
IT WAS RESOLVED that the Monthly Statement of Accounts be approved

14/09/08 Accounts for Payment

D.M.Dew	Salary	1016.42
D.Rolls	Mowing etc	480.85
TVE Hire	Strimmer Spools	40.09
Buildbase	Building Materials	241.54

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

15/09/08 To approve Planning and General Purposes decisions July/August 2008
ON THE RESOLUTION OF Cllr.Mrs McMORROW
SECONDED BY Cllr.McMORROW
IT WAS RESOLVED that the decisions be approved

16/09/08 Environmental Sustainability
To next agenda

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17/09/08 Recreation and Leisure Report

2008 Projects: -

- Climbing Frame and Picnic Tables all in place and being well appreciated. Many supportive comments from young people and adults.
- Excavated soil has been spread and seeded on the A417 and other places where needed.
- *Proposal: More benches for Recreation Ground by Skate Park and Junior Football Pitch -summer. 'Rootfast' did have special offers. Not pursuing at present on advice from PPC.*

Maintenance:

- *Higher fence issue at Football Club still to be agreed. Have a firm costing from Grimshaw Kineer (Cheltenham) MUGA contractor for £6385. Costs to be shared by Football Club/ District Council Grant/ PPC/Parish Council. Have discussed with District Councillor and Vale Planning.*
- *Have other costings for Lockable steel vault- to house tennis nets , netball posts etc. This will improve the accessibility and safety of our equipment.*

- *Also costings for cricket nets and surfaces, football posts wheel-away etc.*
- *Fencing still needs fixing at Recreation Ground*
- Timber fencing around Village Hall playground has been completed and looks very good.
- Village looking clear of litter / broken glass sometimes a problem-discuss.
- Grass cutting /strimming continues and everywhere looking very good. Grass has been growing constantly and costs will be higher in consequence.
- Weed control issue for this Spring?
- Do we send a bill for work done on the A417 verges as utility company did not complete?
- *The Jubilee Garden and area around needs attention*
- *It will be good to get the new trailer collecting all debris from cuttings and taken to be recycled but no space to house once assembled.*

18/09/08 Date of Next Meeting

29th October 2008