

**Minutes of a meeting of the STANFORD IN THE VALE PARISH COUNCIL held on Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> January 2011 in the Millennium Hall Stanford in the Vale.**

**Present: Cllr.P.G.McMorrow(Chair) Cllr.S.Bambury Cllr.P.Gill Cllr.B.Burls  
Cllr.Mrs.G.McMorrow Cllr.D.Monahan Smith  
Cllr.M.Tilley(County Cllr) Cllr.R.Sharp(District Cllr) D.M.Dew(Clerk)**

There were no questions/comments from Parishioners

**01/01/11 Apologies**

Cllr.Hughes (Personal) Cllr.Isaacs

**02/01/11 Declarations of Interest by Councillors on any agenda item**

Cllr.Bambury – Item14 Committee decisions Oct/Nov 2010  
Cllr.Gill – Item 13 Accounts for payment

**03/01/11 Minutes of previous meeting 3<sup>rd</sup> November 2010 to be received and signed as a true record**

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

**04/01/11 Report of County Councillor**

Unable to say if County grass cutting grant will be paid this year. County will be selling off their ambulance type vehicles in the near future.  
Update on pre-school playgroup – due to complete in Feb/March and is just within budget. Was disappointed that the village hall management committee had decided to charge a parking fee for 2 spaces (£190 pa per space) in the hall car park. Council suggested several alternatives

**05/01/11 Report of Clerk**

Nothing in lease to prevent car parking charges although this seemed to be singling out one organisation. Can we expect charges for those attending church or funerals ? Council were disappointed with the proposed charge which is not within the spirit of community.  
Reminded councillors that there were elections in May and that it was their

responsibility to submit nomination papers

Reminded councillors that the parish council was a corporate body and even if they did not agree with decisions agreed upon they must support that decision even as members of committees and other organisations. This is a Code of Conduct requirement

Informed council of incident in playarea on Forest Grove where equipment had been covered with vomit and human excrement. District Council had cleared the area at a cost of £120 to them and the police have been informed and will carry out extra patrols

### **06/01/11 Report of District Councillor**

In reply to as why a ½ fee is charged for a non-contested election it was due to costs for printing, adverts and nomination papers although it was confusing as to what a ½ fee was.

Cllr. Bambury asked why we could not print our own.

Explained non-collection of waste due to weather conditions but stated that District Councillors were not happy with the on-going delays.

The Government grants were less than expected and would cause further rethink.

The new houses in Faringdon might result in amounts of earth being available and might be of use in levelling the proposed new recreational area adj. cottage road

### **07/01/11 Budget and setting of precept 2011/2012**

Following discussion inc the possible losing of the grass cutting grant and the shortfall in floodlight grants it was decided that the precept be reduced by £50

ON THE RESOLUTION OF Cllr Mrs McMORROW  
SECONDED BY Cllr. BAMBURY

IT WAS RESOLVED that the precept for 2011/2012 be set at £20,300

### **08/01/11 Report of Chairman and items for next agenda**

The application to Wren for floodlight grant had been unsuccessful (£10,000)

Other areas were being investigated including £2230 from Community First through Hills Group and possibly the PPC, the chairman to` contact 3 organisations

Had visited the Scouts re: Stewart Rae Challenge a 3 day challenge event and had received the thanks from the Scouts Assoc. for the money earned by the Stanford rep painting the skate park which helps to send him to the World Jamboree and also help to pay for a scout from an undeveloped country to

attend.

### **09/01/11 Correspondence**

- a) 2 items from Football Club re lease Noted see item 10/01/11
- b) VWHDC – Parish precept – noted see item 07/01/11
- c) PPC – Request for reply regarding allotment allocation in new area. Info  
Re Wren grant and Community First grant.  
Details of outstanding approved grants
- d) Oxford Valuation Office – Details of Rating assessment Football Club
- e) OCC – Details of Household Waste Recycling Centre Strategy - Noted

### **10/01/11 Football club lease – current situation**

Clerk read several letters both from and to the Football Club. There was a discussion on the figures used to determine the lease rent but it was confirmed that the council figure of £975 pa increasing at rpi on 1<sup>st</sup> January annually stands and that when the Football Club agrees this rental then the Parish Council is willing to meet with the club to discuss their other concerns.

### **11/01/11 To approve a formal request for transfer of ownership of 19.7 acres of land at junction of A417/Cottage Road to Stanford in the Vale Parish Council**

ON THE RESOLUTION OF Cllr.MONAHAN SMITH  
SECONDED BY Cllr.BAMBURY

IT WAS RESOLVED that a formal request for transfer of 19.7 acres of land at junction of A417/Cottage Road be made

### **12/01/11 Planning Applications**

STA/8827/8 – Stanford Park House Park Lane – Proposed change of use from paddock to tennis court – SUPPORTED

### **13/01/11 Monthly statement of accounts**

ON THE RESOLUTION OF Cllr.GILL  
SECONDED BY Cllr.Mrs McMORROW

IT WAS RESOLVED that the monthly statement of accounts be approved

### **14/01/11 Accounts for payment**

Viking Direct	Office Equipt	105.58
CPN Gill	Village Hall Bingo prize	9.39
Easyspace	Domain name	120.39

ON THE RESOLUTION OF Cllr BAMBURY  
SECONDED BY Cllr Mrs McMORROW  
IT WAS RESOLVED that the accounts be paid

**15/01/11 Committee decisions October/November 2010**

ON THE RESOLUTION OF Cllr Mrs McMORROW  
SECONDED BY Cllr BURLS  
IT WAS RESOLVED that the decisions be approved

**16/01/11 Recreation and Leisure report**

Nil

**Date of next meeting**

2<sup>nd</sup> March 2011

There were no questions/comments from parishioners

Meeting closed at 2135 pm