

**Minutes of a meeting of the ANNUAL MEETING OF STANFORD IN THE VALE PARISH COUNCIL held on Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> May 2011 in the Millennium Hall Stanford in the Vale.**

Prior to the meeting all newly elected Councillors signed their Declarations of Acceptance of Office

**Present:**

**P.G.McMorrow(Past Chairman)      D.Monahan Smith      M.Isaacs      P.Gill**  
**G.Hughes      S.Bambury      S.Jackson      P.Lewis      J.Warren      N.Lewis**

**K.Williams-Cuss**

**D.M.Dew(Clerk)      M.Tilley(County Cllr) @ 2020      R.Sharp( District Cllr)@ 2110**

**10 Parishioners**

The outgoing Chairman suggested that all Councillors should introduce themselves to each other

**1. Election of Chairman**

Cllr Bambury nominated by Cllr.Gill – Cllr.Bambury refused the nomination and made a statement as to the reasons why citing the Code of Conduct allegations since not proved against 3 Councillors and the considered affect that it had upon the election  
Cllr.Warren nominated by Cllr Gill – Cllr.Warren felt she was unable to accept the nomination and there was no seconder to the nomination  
Cllr.Gill nominated by Cllr.Bambury seconded by Cllr.Hughes. This being the only nomination accepted Cllr Gill was elected Chairman.  
Cllr.Gill thanked the Council and proposed a vote of thanks to the past Chairman seconded by Cllr Isaacs the vote was unanimous.

It was proposed by Cllr Bambury seconded by Cllr Isaacs that the meeting be closed for questions/comments from Parishioners

G.Hughes made a statement regarding the Code of Conduct allegations and what he considered were untruths and the Football Club lease which had produced unsavoury moments during discussions ( Was interrupted by the Chairman that he should not be naming names) and that previous actions by Councils prior to 15-20 years previous

would not be tolerated again. He welcomed the new Councillors but warned that they might become as unpopular as he has become when sorting car parking issues. J.Greenwood stated that she did not complain to the District Council re;Code of Conduct and that she had not questioned Cllr Tilley at that relevant meeting as she wished to take advantage of the second period available for questions/comments

C/Smith said that he was proud to live in this village but was not happy with what had happened in the past and hoped that with the new Council this could be put behind them and they work as a team

M.Bungay asked about the “Relief in Need Charity” Cllr.Isaacs explained its existence and workings

Cllr.J.Warren said that it was now time to move forward

It was proposed by Cllr P.Lewis seconded by Cllr Hughes that the meeting be opened

## **2. Apologies**

Cllr.Tilley(OCC) – Meeting – Arrived later

Cllr.Sharp( VWHDC) – Meeting – Arrived later

## **3. Declarations of Interest by Councillors on any Agenda Item**

Cllr.Isaacs – Item 5 - VHMC

Cllr.P.Lewis – Item 5- VHMC

Cllr.Gill – Item 14 – Accounts for Payment

## **4. Election Of Officers**

Dep.Chair – **Cllr. D.Monahan Smith** – Proposed Cllr Bambury seconded Cllr.Isaacs

Hon.Secretary – **Cllr.S.Bambury** – Proposed Cllr.P.Lewis seconded Cllr.Isaacs

Senior Cllr – **Cllr.G.Hughes** – Proposed Cllr.Bambury seconded Cllr.Isaacs

Committees :

General Purposes – **Full Council** – Proposed Cllr.P.Lewis seconded Cllr Bambury

It was decided that Recreational & Leisure should be split into:

Recreational & Leisure – Cllr Williams-Cuss (Chair) Cllr.Jackson Cllr. N.Lewis  
Cllr.J.Warren

Environmental – Cllr.Isaacs(Chair) Cllr Hughes Cllr Bambury Cllr.D.Monahan Smith  
Cllr. Williams-Cuss

**5. Appointment of Representatives to “Outside Organisations”  
Village Hall Management Committee**

Cllr.P.Lewis Cllr Warren Cllr Gill Cllr Jackson . There were 2 recorded abstentions on this vote

**6. Minutes of previous meeting 2<sup>nd</sup> March 2011 to be received and signed as a true record**

ON THE RESOLUTION OF Cllr HUGHES

SECONDED BY Cllr BAMBURY

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

**7. Minutes of the Annual Parish Meeting 6<sup>th</sup> April 2011 to be received and signed as a true record**

ON THE RESOLUTION OF Cllr HUGHES

SECONDED BY Cllr GILL

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

**8. Report of County Councillor**

Thanked those not elected for their past work especially Gerry and Gill McMorrow. The Birmingham rail link has been discussed and there had been discussions about the tip closure in 2014 and a group of local County Councillors had formed a group to try to extend the license. Pleased to announce that she had been elected to the cabinet with responsibility for schools

**9. Report of District Councillor**

Congratulated the newly elected Councillors and also those who either stood down or were not re-elected especially Gerry and Gill McMorrow for the tremendous amount of work that they have done over the years. Thanked those for re-electing him to the District

Council and Peter Gill for his work in the village. There are SLOW DOWN stickers for waste bins which he has some if needed. No dog bins in stock, Forest Grove will have to wait although dog waste can be put in the grey waste bins. The cottage Road dog bin will be replaced in a new place

## **10. Report of Clerk**

Clerk referred Councillors to the note he had circulated regarding his duties and that he should not be treated as a secretary. He suggested that new Councillors should attend a training course which he was prepared to organise and lecture at a total cost of £100. This was approved and a suitable date to be arranged

Informed Council that he had arranged Council insurance at a discounted rate

Explained that Councillors were also trustees of Millennium Green and he was not involved and all meetings had to be held separate from parish council meetings with a AGM due in June

Having lost 2 cheque signatories he was looking for 2 new persons and it was made easier if the 2 nominated were account holders at Lloyds TSB. Cllrs P.Lewis and K Williams-Cuff have accounts and the authorisation forms were passed to Cllr Lewis Due to Ms White not continuing as internal auditor Council is required by law to appoint someone to this position, and as the Clerk obviously cannot appoint someone this is open to Council to find an appropriate person

When the final accounts are produced the annual return 2011 needs to be signed off and minuted. It is suggested that 22 June 2011 be an appropriate date

## **11. Chairman report inc items for next agenda**

Asked that if Councillors wished to speak they should attract the Chairmans attention Chairman thought that there should be future plans for the village to include all Church Festival June – Flower displays Cllr.Williams-Cuss said she would organise the Council display and it was proposed by Cllr.N.Lewis seconded by Cllr Williams-Cuff that flowers max.cost £25 be purchased

Items for next agenda:

Parish Youth Council – Communications Website – Planning : are parishioners objections to be taken that the Council also objects ? – Pre school playgroup:  
Dilapidation schedule (Record of what the building is like now)

## **12. Correspondence**

PPC – Floodlighting grant – Item noted Cllr.Isaacs to contact PPC

OCC- Grass cutting grant 2011 approved £5424.80

St Johns Ambulance – Request for donation – Added to other requests

### **13.Planning applications**

**STA/15576/1**      **16 Upper Crale** 1<sup>st</sup> Floor Extension  
**STA/5955/4**      **21 Horsecroft**      Single storey rear extension  
**STA/15837/3-LB** **Stones Farmhouse** Solar Panels on existing barns

ON THE RESOLUTION OF Cllr BAMBURY  
SECONDED BY Cllr ISAACS  
IT WAS RESOLVED that these applications be supported

### **14.Monthly statement of Accounts**

ON THE RESOLUTION OF Cllr ISAACS  
SECONDED BY Cllr BAMBURY  
IT WAS RESOLVED that the monthly statement of accounts be approved

### **15.Accounts for payment**

ORCC	Membership	30.00
Sweetfuels	Mower Diesel	331.49
CPN Gill	Tennis locker keys	14.50
Broker Network	PC Insurance	1644.31
British Telecoms(Post Office)	Telephone	106.91
Mellors of Challow	Fuel	55.00

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

### **16.To approve decisions of General Purposes Committee April/May 2011**

ON THE RESOLUTION OF Cllr BAMBURY  
SECONDED BY Cllr HUGHES  
IT WAS RESOLVED that the decisions be approved

### **17.Recreation and Leisure report**

The first part of the new floodlights (control box ) had been installed and chairman that choice of supplier was up to Council. The line markings on the MUGA need remarking

## **18.Date of next meeting**

6<sup>th</sup> July 2011

ON THE RESOLUTION OF Cllr HUGHES

SECONDED BY Cllr BAMBURY

The meeting closed at 2150

Questions/comments from Parishioners

C.Smith stated that the accused Councillors had been cleared of the bullying allegations and it was time to move forward