

**Minutes of a meeting of STANFORD IN THE VALE PARISH COUNCIL**  
**held on Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> September 2019 at Stanford in the Vale Village Hall**

**Present:** Cllr.Lewis(Chair) Cllr.Warren Cllr.Jackson Cllr.Jenkins Cllr.Middleton  
Cllr.Williams  
Cllr.A.Fitzgerald O'Connor (OCC) D.M.Dew(Clerk) 5 Parishioners

- 01/09/19 To receive apologies and reason (If offered)**  
Cllr.Isaacs(Business) Cllr.Williams Cuss(Business) Cllr.Bailey Cllr.Howes  
District Cllr. Boyd
- 02/09/19 To receive Declarations of Interest from Cllrs On any agenda item**  
Nil
- 03/09/19 To receive, approve & sign as a true record minutes of previous meeting 3 July 2019**  
ON THE RESOLUTION OF Cllr.WARREN  
SECONDED BY Cllr.JACKSON  
IT WAS RESOLVED that the minutes be signed as a true record
- 04/09/19 To receive report of County Councillor**  
Had attended an education meeting. Had also attended a meeting regarding Electro Sensitivity.  
Further discussions were ongoing with Cherwell DC regarding integrating jobs
- 05/09/19 To receive report of District Councillor**  
Nil - Councillor had sent apologies due to work with central government
- 06/09/19 Questions/comments from parishioners**  
Concerns regarding Horsecroft building site increase to 19 dwellings and the designated public area had been enclosed – Council had not received any amendments to the original plans  
There was no footpath as per plan – again no amendment received  
The bridge across the Ock has been repaired by a Parishioner – This has been acknowledged in the newsletter  
Late night congregations at the bottom of Horsecroft – The police should be advised by residents and use of covert cameras was mooted
- 07/09/19 To receive report of Clerk**  
Vandalism – Wetpour in playarea dug up – To be repaired. This is a costly item. Notice boards – every Monday am (When Clerk displays notices) the boards are found to be damaged, mainly beading holding fronts broken probably through kicking balls at boards. Clerk to investigate vandal proof boards  
Grass cutting at Forest Grove – resident requesting verges cut – Nothing heard from OCC regarding recalculating payment for this task
- 08/09/19 To receive report of Chairman inc items for next agenda**  
I'd like to thank the Clerk for persevering with the updated finance reports, which have all been circulated – there remain some minor refinements, but moving forward this updated format should become a familiar sight each month. A few weeks ago an additional public bin appeared on Church Green – we were unable to trace where it had come from, nor were we able to unlock it in order to open/empty it. Having contacted Biffa, they arranged to have the bin removed.  
Cllr. Warren & I met with Thames Water and representatives from OCC regarding the road closure – we were impressed with the input/support from OCC on this matter, which has led to an insistence that Thames Water would a) work “long” days and b) all weekend, every weekend. The expectation is that this will reduce the duration of the closure, possibly by a fortnight or more.

Cllr. Middleton and myself had been due to meet the local OCC Highways Officer, but that meeting has had to be postponed due to ill health, and it's unlikely that I will be able to make the rearranged meeting.

A parishioner has contacted me regarding rotting planks providing a walkway across a ditch on the public footpath that runs from Bow House to the Hatford footpath, which I reported at a previous PC meeting. Cllr. Middleton is working on contacting the landowner to move this forward.

**09/09/19 To receive correspondence**

Nil

**10/09/19 To discuss Planning Applications**

**P19/V1758/HH & P19/V1759/LB Fir Tree House 6 Horsecroft SN7 8LL retrospective and proposed alterations to Fir Tree House. Garden wall increased in height**

ON THE RESOLUTION OF Cllr. WARREN

SECONDED BY Cllr. JACKSON

IT WAS RESOLVED that there were NO OBJECTIONS to these applications but wish the following comments be taken into consideration

We would like to see the application reviewed by the Conservation Officer, since the inclusion of bifold doors within the fabric of the listed building would substantially alter the dwelling and we do not have sufficient information to determine whether it would harm or enhance the character of the listed building.

With regards to raising the exterior wall – we note that the wall is stone faced into the dwelling's garden. We would suggest that if the wall is to be raised, then the wall should be replaced with a natural stone equivalent, using lime mortar which would then enhance the setting of both the listed building and the Conservation Area

**11/09/19 To discuss Cubs volunteering**

The Cub leader explained that cubs were looking for gardening work to earn their gardening badges two areas - Junction of Huntersfield and Glebe Road and Cottage road near bus stop

ON THE RESOLUTION OF Cllr LEWIS

SECONDED BY Cllr JENKINS

IT WAS RESOLVED that these areas be made available for the cubs to work on

**12/09/19 To discuss VE celebrations 2020**

Cllr. Warren suggested use of Football field. Cllr. Jackson to check availability regarding fixtures. Item to be placed in Newsletter. It was resolved that Cllrs Warren and Jenkins organise the celebrations

**13/09/19 To discuss state of Kickwall and consider its replacement**

Item to next agenda

**14/09/19 To consider establishment of PC Facebook account**

Item to next agenda

**15/09/19 To consider purchase of NO SMOKING signs for playarea**

Item to next agenda

**16/09/19 To discuss & consider Climate & Environmental Emergency**

It was resolved that the PC would declare a Climate Emergency and that the policy would be delegated to the Environmental Committee for development.

Proposed by Cllr. Williams seconded by Cllr. Jenkins

**17/09/19 To discuss installation of CCTV in Community Woodland & financial assistance from W & S**

Cllr. Middleton had received a response from W & S who require details of cost and legality. Cllr. Jackson to investigate costs

**18/09/19 To approve accounts for payment**

28 June Value Products	Dog signs	34.20
28 June Viking Direct	Office Equipt.	150.24
1 July EE Broadband	B'band/Phone	47.36
16 July HMRC	NI & PAYE	225.86
30 July EE Broadband	B/Band/Phone	34.07
23 Aug D.Rolls	grass.Maint	259.00
23 July M.Dew	salary	776.20
23 Aug Penny's garden Services	gardening	80.00
28 Aug Stanford Village Hall	Hall hire	40.20

ON THE RESOLUTION OF Cllr. MIDDLETON

SECONDED BY Cllr.JACKSON

IT WAS RESOLVED that the accounts be approved/paid

**19/09/19 To approve Monthly Statement of Accounts**

Current Assets

Cash at Bank and in hand

Current Account - TSB

Reserves – CIL 2,285.12

Reserves – NP 4,033.05

Reserves – Play Equipment 750.00

Current Account – TSB – Other 3,425.16

Total Current Account - TSB 10,497.33

Redwood 35 day Savings account 30,066.25

Petty Cash 81.42

Total Cash at Bank and in hand 40,645.00

Total current assets 40,645.00

**TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES 40,645.00**

**NET ASSETS 40,645.00**

ON THE RESOLUTION OF Cllr.JENKINS

SECONDED BY Cllr.JACKSON

IT WAS RESOLVED that the Monthly statement of Accounts be approved

**20/09/19 Budget Update**

Budget update has been circulated. Chairman explained the figures

**21/09/19 To approve appointing additional bank signatories**

ON THE RESOLUTION OF Cllr.LEWIS

SECONDED BY Cllr.JACKSON

IT WAS RESOLVED that Cllr.Middleton / Cllr.Williams be added as signatories. Clerk to arrange

**22/09/19 To receive report of Environmental Committee**

As circulated

**23/09/19 To receive report of Recreation & Leisure Committee**

As circulated

**24/09/19 To receive report of Planning Committee**

Minutes of a meeting of the Stanford in the Vale Planning Committee held on Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> August 2019 in Stanford Village Hall Committee room

**P18/V2056/RM – Land West of Faringdon Road Stanford it Vale – residential development for up to 100 dwellings with associated access ( as amended by drawings and information received 30 May 2019 and 01 August 2019)**

**P18/V2031/RM – Land North of Ware Road Stanford it Vale –**

*Residential development for up to 78 dwellings, together with access from Ware Road and associated infrastructure (as amended by drawings and information received 30 May 2019 and 01 August 2019)*

ON THE RESOLUTION OF Cllr.LEWIS

SECONDED BY Cllr.JACKSON

IT WAS RESOLVED that the Chairman discuss the applications with the VWHDC Planning Officer

**P19/V/1718/HH – 25 Tyrell Close SN7 8EY – Proposed side extension and conversion of existing garage to habitable space**

ON THE RESOLUTION OF Cllr.WILLIAMS CUSS

SECONDED BY Cllr.JACKSON

IT WAS RESOLVED THAT there were no objections to the application but wish the following comments be taken into consideration.

*The front window to match existing in height and length*

**P19/V1758/HH & P19/V/1759/LB – Fir Tree House 6 Horsecroft SN7 8LL - Retrospective and proposed alterations to Fir Tree House, Garden Wall increase in height**

ON THE RESOLUTION OF Cllr.LEWIS

SECONDED BY Cllr.WILLIAMS CUSS

IT WAS RESOLVED THAT this application be deferred to September Council meeting

- 25/09/19 To receive report of Public Works of Art Liaison Working Party**  
Notice board Delivery date still not received. Flower boxes details not considered suitable
- 26/09/19 To receive report of Neighbourhood Plan**  
Nil
- 27/09/19 To receive report of Millennium Green Trust**  
Rubbish bin had been set alight and glass had been broken several times
- 28/09/19 Date of next meeting**  
2<sup>nd</sup> October 2019
- 29/09/19 Questions/comments from parishioners**  
Nil
- 30/09/19 Confidential Item**  
ON THE RESOLUTION OF Cllr.LEWIS  
SECONDED BY Cllr.MIDDLETON  
IT WAS RESOLVED that the meeting be closed while the Clerk explained the regulations regarding confidential minutes.  
Council discussed the matter but felt that insufficient information was currently available and therefore Chairman to request that further details are provided to Council.