

**Minutes of the ANNUAL MEETING of STANFORD IN THE VALE PARISH COUNCIL held on Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> May 2005 at the URC Millennium Hall SIV**

**Present:**        **Cllr.P.G.McMorrow(Chair)**                    **Cllr.S.Bambury(Dep Chair)**  
                      **Cllr.G.Hughes(Senior Councillor)**        **Cllr.P.Gill**  
                      **Cllr.B.Burls**    **Cllr.Mrs.G.McMorrow**  
                      **Cllr.M.Mullen**                                        **Cllr.M.Isaacs**  
                      **Cllr.Mrs.F.Shires**  
                      **D.M.Dew(Clerk)**

**01/05/05**        **Apologies**  
                      Cllr.Mrs.L.Miles                    Mrs.J.Greenwood(Village Hall Management Committee)  
                      Mr.R.Sharp(District Councillor)

**02.05/05**        **Declaration of Interest by Councillors on any agenda item**

Item 11 Planning Applications

STA/2157/14 – Cllrs.P.G. McMorrow, G.McMorrow, M.Mullen

STA/7904/31 – Cllr. M.Isaacs

**03/05/05**        **Election of Officers**

**Chair**    **Cllr.P.G.McMorrow**

Proposed Cllr Hughes seconded Cllr.Burls

**Deputy Chair**                                **Cllr. S.Bambury**

Proposed Cllr McMorrow seconded Cllr Isaacs

**Senior Cllr.**                                    **Cllr.G.Hughes**

Proposed Cllr. McMorrow seconded Cllr .Shires

**Hon.Secretary**                                **Cllr.S.Bambury**

Proposed Cllr..Gill seconded Cllr..Burls

**04/05/05**        **Trustees Village Hall Management Committee**        **Cllr.P.Gill , Cllr.B.Burls**

Proposed Cllr.McMorrow seconded Cllr Hughes

Following unanimous approval of the proposals it was resolved that the Officers be elected

There were no parishioners present for question time

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**05/05/05**        **Minutes of Meeting 5<sup>th</sup> April 2005**

5/04/05 Bullet Point 5 - ....deficit of £19800 add pending refunds

6/04/05 Bullet Point 13 - Should be confidential

Following these amendments  
 ON THE RESOLUTION OF Cllr.ISAACS  
 SECONDED BY Cllr.HUGHES  
 IT WAS RESOLVED that the minutes be approved and signed as a true record

**06/05/05 Report of Clerk**

Clerk asked Councillors not to pass every enquiry to him especially if it did not concern the Parish Council. A recent case regarding “Cleanaway” had resulted in several hours of wasted time when the complainant could have been advised to contact the District Council direct who were dealing with the problem anyway.

**07/05/05 Report of Chairman**

- Chairman direct Councillors to his annual report which the Clerk distributed. He added that due to our low precept Stanford parishioners paid less than the majority of Oxfordshire communities.
- He reported that he had suggested Mrs Greenwood, Mrs Varney and Mrs Bungay for BBC Community awards and was pleased to report that all had received certificates for their work within the village to the benefit of others.
- The PPC had replied regarding the request for payments to Clerk and Wentworth Estate for work and expenses in reworking and producing accounts. This had been refused, further action via legal advice to be taken
- There is disappointment in the loss of the street cleaning grant from the District Council, in future the cost of cleaning the village streets will have to be borne by the Parish. This item to the newsletter

**08/05/05 Election of Working parties/committees**

Recreation and Leisure

Cllr.Gill (Chair) Cllr.PG.McMorrow, Cllr G.McMorrow, Cllr.Mullen, Cllr.Bambury, Cllr Burls

ON THE RESOLUTION OF Cllr ISAACS  
 SECONDED BY Cllr.HUGHES  
 IT WAS RESOLVED that these Councillors be elected

Disputes

All Councillors with exception of Cllr Gill (Declared interest) are members of the disputes committee

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Delegation

Cllr.P.G.McMorrow,Cllr. Bambury, Cllr,Hughes, D.M.Dew (Clerk)

ON THE RESOLUTION OF Cllr.ISAACS  
 SECONDED BY Cllr Mrs McMORROW  
 IT WAS RESOLVED that these be elected

**09/05/05 Correspondence**

- Village Hall – Trustee applications – See elections 04/05/05

- Home Start – Donation request – Noted
- Planning Aid – Passed to Chairman
- Oxfordshire CC – Mineral extraction Bowling Green Farm
- Vale of WHDC – Unauthorised signs, apply for authority to remove – applied for
- Vale of WHDC – Trees in Church yard – No objections to proposed work
- PPC - No letters will be answered by PPC relating to operating of PPC unless legally required
- PPC –Request for return of documents at once – Documents are held by District Audit
- PPC - Unable to make payments to individuals See 07/05/05
- PPC – Approval of grant application re see-saw toddlers area

**10/05/05 Report of District Councillor**

Nil

**11/05/05 Planning applications**

STA/19603 Stratford House Faringdon Road SIV  
Conversion of stone barn/outbuilding to form  
Accommodation ancillary to the dwelling

STA/2157/14 Spinages Farm Chapel Road SIV  
Erection of a conservatory

STA/19059 65 Joyces Road SIV  
Single storey extension to link existing building to main house

STA/7904/31 6 White Horse Business Park SIV  
Extension of existing factory for B2/ B8 with ancillary offices

ON THE RESOLUTION OF Cllr HUGHES  
SECONDED BY Cllr BURLS  
IT WAS RESOLVED that the applications be supported

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**12/05/05 Annual accounts 2004/2005**

Clerk explained that there were difficulties in producing final accounts in that

- a) The accounts programme was not reconciling opening/closing balances and while figures in bank balanced computerised accounts did not
- b) The Internal Auditor is still working on figures from previous years, in fact before Clerks time in post and therefore all opening /closing balances would have to be adjusted anyway

The accounts did not have to be placed on public display until Oct/Nov and therefore asked that Council wait until further work had been carried out

**13/05/05 Monthly statement of accounts**

Statement of accounts as approved at meeting 27<sup>th</sup> April 2005 No further Bank Statements received

**14/05/05 Accounts for payment**

As per attached list cheque numbers 1044 – 1055 approved by delegation

## Committee April

Impact Software	Support	55.00
Stanford Village Hall	Hire OPFA	16.40
D.Rolls	Salary/Expenses	324.04

ON THE RESOLUTION OF Cllr.SHIRES  
 SECONDED BY Cllr BAMBURY

IT WAS RESOLVED that the delegation committees recommendations be approved and that accounts be paid

**15/05/05      Recreation and Leisure**

Cllr Gill stated that he was obtaining advanced costings for skatepark equipt and paint. He wished to thank Robert Sharp the District Councillor for cutting grass within the village in order that our mowers could cope with the length

Questions from Parishioners

Cllr.Shires asked about dog bins in Marlborough Lane. Clerk said that District Council had promised extra bins but Marlborough Lane was not a site mentioned. There is the problem of emptying the bins and DC will only empty those that they provide. Clerk to investigate. Cllr Shires also asked about the Jubilee Garden and had received comments about how overgrown it was. Chairman said that this was being seen to but added that it was supposed to be a wild flower rather than a cultured garden

Next meeting 7<sup>th</sup> July 2005