

**Minutes of a meeting of STANFORD IN THE VALE PARISH COUNCIL
held on Wednesday 6th March 2019 in Stanford Village Hall**

- Present** Cllr.Lewis(Chair) Cllr.Warren Cllr.Gill Cllr.Isaacs Cllr.Bailey Cllr.Jackson
County Cllr. A.Fitzgerald O'Connor(OCC) District Cllr. R.Sharp (VWHDC) D.M.Dew(Clerk)
- 01/03/19** **To receive Apologies**
Cllr.Williams Cuss (Business) Cllr.Howes (Business) Cllr.Middleton (Business) Cllr.Jenkins(ill)
- 02/03/19** **To receive declarations of Interest from Councillors on any agenda item**
Nil
- 03/03/19** **To receive,approve & sign as a true record minutes of previous meeting 2nd January 2019**
Subject to accounts for payment and monthly statement of accounts being circulated
ON THE RESOLUTION OF Cllr BAILEY
SECONDED BY Cllr ISAACS
IT WAS RESOLVED that the minutes be signed as a true record
- 04/03/19** **To receive,approve & sign as a true record minutes of previous meeting 6th February 2019**
ON THE RESOLUTION OF Cllr ISAACS
SECONDED BY Cllr WARREN
IT WAS RESOLVED that the minutes be signed as a true record
- 05/03/19** **To receive report of County Councillor**
Money is being made available for Youth programmes and groups are invited to bid for funding which they will be expected to match
Spray paint on potholes etc repairs are as follows:
White 28 days, Red 2 – 24 hours, Yellow – Drainage/Longer term planned works
OCC planning replacement of streetlights to LED for commercial reasons
Bow Road footpath to be resurfaced next financial year. It was queried whether there were any plans to adjust the width or kerb height, but details were not available.
- 06/03/19** **To receive report of District Councillor**
Budget setting- Non essential capital projects on hold. 3 ½ % increase for DC
The Oxfordshire Plan is out for consultation – submit any suggestions
There has been no response yet re Bow Farm/Horsecroft footpath. The Councillor was thanked for his input
- 07/03/19** **Questions/comments from Parishioners**
Nil
- 08/03/19** **To receive report of Clerk**
Litter pickers picking up empty spirit bottles in playareas. Police to be informed. There was also discussion about drug abuse in the village
- 09/03/19** **To consider Government recommended Clerks salary increase (as previously circulated)**
ON THE RESOLUTION OF Cllr LEWIS
SECONDED BY Cllr ISAACS
IT WAS RESOLVED that the increase be approved

10/03/19

To receive report of Chairman inc items for next agenda

I will take as read my e-mail in relation to my meeting with County Councillor Anda Fitzgerald-O'Connor, as well as the proposed route forward. Following this, I have also e-mailed "OCC Stakeholders" in relation to our open Highways/Fixmystreet queries, given that they issued last year's update on the challenge and remedial actions to fix the large number of road defects. An informal meeting in relation to Cottage Farm has been arranged and dates shared. Trotters Treeworks have advised a new date of 14 March to undertake PC works on Manor Green. Some months ago, we had several issues when setting up Internet Banking with TSB, and in light of the inconvenience they have issued £300 of compensation to the PC, which we will discuss later. I have attempted to discuss the proposed, temporary closure of Cottage Road with Thames Water, but the contact given seems to be related to the traffic signals, rather than the actual works. I will continue to pursue this, as there should be some better alternatives, given that it will be impractical/impossible for buses to follow the proposed diversion route. Clerk's replacement colour laser printer/scanner has arrived and is already in use. We've also now received the new Clerk's new laptop and aiming to have this up and running very shortly.

11/03/19

To receive correspondence

Redwood bank – Confirmation of opening of savings account

12/03/19

To consider street names for land off Ware Road (6)

Following discussion the names below were selected, all having relevance to Stanford's past. It was noted that the plans were subject to change and the PC were still talking to Planning Englefield – The Dyggel – Whistler Way – The Timms – Popplestone – Franklin Farrowes

13/03/19

To discuss planning applications

P19/V0066/LB Brewhouse Firtree House SN7 8LL – Remove & replace damaged & displaced roof tiles which are causing water ingress on lobby to the rear of the Brewhouse

ON THE RESOLUTION OF Cllr JACKSON

SECONDED BY Cllr WARREN

IT WAS RESOLVED that there were no objections to this application

P19/V0004/HH 3 Nursery End SN7 8PH – Loft conversion with front dormers

Council had concerns with regards to the creation of a new "town House" style property within this development. We have previously resisted such town house styles within the village, and it does not align to Vale's Design Guide for this area.

We attach a previous report highlighting the infrequent use of this style of dwelling throughout the village, there are only around 10 dwellings throughout the entire existing housing stock.

The dormers aim to align to the narrow front windows, but it seems unlikely to achieve an exact match to the width of the windows below and thus do not truly align as per Vale's Design Guide requirements. The Design Guide recommends Dormers should not be used to create additional headroom, which would appear to be the case here.

We also note that this would create an additional two bedrooms which we would expect to lead to a requirement for additional parking(at some point in the future, if not immediately) within a development where parking is already an issue

ON THE RESOLUTION OF Cllr JACKSON

SECONDED BY Cllr BAILEY

IT WAS RESOLVED that the application be objected to for the above reasons

P19/V2031/RM - P19/V2056/RM Land North & West of Ware Road

It was considered that these applications should be discussed at a separate meeting

14/03/19

To approve accounts for payment

11 th Feb	Webbs Viking Direct	Wood fencing Stationery	163.59 48.59
25 th Feb	D.M.Dew C.Stallard HMRC	Salary Litter pick PAYE & NI	774.42 60.00 230.54
	Community First P.Lewis OPFA OALC	Membership Printer Membership Membership Subs	70.00 225.80 53.00 428.81

ON THE RESOLUTION OF Cllr ISAACS

SECONDED BY Cllr JACKSON

IT WAS RESOLVED that the accounts be approved/paid

15/03/19

To approve monthly statement of accounts

CASH AT BANK	£34,036.45	As at 10/02/2019
TSB SAVINGS ACCOUNT	£2,906.51	As at 01/01/2019
NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN	£1,309.00	

ON THE RESOLUTION OF Cllr JACKSON

SECONDED BY Cllr BAILEY

IT WAS RESOLVED that the monthly statement of accounts be approved

16/03/19

To consider & discuss Budget 2019/2020

This item to next agenda. Chairman to circulate draft before next meeting – suggests that Council consider wages, budget for QEII field and whether to engage a gardener for, say, 2 hours per month.

17/03/19

To consider compensation from TSB- approve spending on Parish “Greening”

ON THE RESOLUTION OF Cllr LEWIS

SECONDED BY Cllr BAILEY

IT WAS RESOLVED that Bluebells would be planted on verge beside Manor Green

18/03/19

To discuss PC investment policy

Item to next agenda and to Planning & Finance committee 11th March 2019

19/03/19

To receive report of Environmental Committee

Fruit trees & stakes being bought this month 8 – 10 trees. Memorial tree to be bought next financial year.

20/03/19

To receive report of Recreation & Leisure Committee - Nil

21/03/19

To receive report of Public Works of Art Liaison Working Party

2 artists now working. Notice board ready end of March and installation next financial year. Artist 2 will attend the Summer festival with designs for planters and tree supports

22/03/19

To receive report of Neighbourhood Plan - Meeting 25th March 2019

23/03/19

To receive report of Millennium Green Trust - Meeting 20th March 2019

24/03/19

Date of next meeting

3rd April 2019