

**Minutes of a meeting of STANFORD IN THE VALE PARISH COUNCIL**  
**held on Wednesday 2nd October 2019 at Stanford in the Vale Village Hall**

- Present:** Cllr.Lewis Cllr.Warren Cllr.Isaacs Cllr.Jackson Cllr.Jenkins Cllr.Middleton  
D.M.Dew (Clerk) 2 parishioners
- 01/10/19** To receive apologies and reason (If offered)  
Cllr.Howes Cllr.Williams Cuss Cllr.Bailey Cllr.Williams
- 02/10/19** To receive Declarations of Interest from Cllrs On any agenda item  
Nil
- 03/10/19** To receive, approve & sign as a true record minutes of previous meeting 4 Sept 2019  
ON THE RESOLUTION OF Cllr.JENKINS  
SECONDED BY Cllr.WARREN  
IT WAS RESOLVED that the minutes be approved and signed as a true record
- 04/10/19** To receive report of County Councillor  
Nil
- 05/10/19** To receive report of District Councillor  
Nil
- 06/10/19** Questions/comments from parishioners  
Nil
- 07/10/19** To receive report of Clerk  
The kickwall has been demolished and removed. A step ladder was crushed and has had to be replaced. Had looked at vandal proof notice boards and thought that they were expensive. Council agreed that further investigation was to be carried out
- 08/10/19** To receive report of Chairman inc items for next agenda  
I've been contacted by a resident who lives alongside the playarea behind the Village Hall, who has complained that the branches of the trees were brushing against their roof/aerial. I've taken a look at this twice, including during the recent windy weather and can't see any sign of the branches being in contact with the property. The Pre-school were in touch with me regarding the missing Village Hall / Pre-School sign from the High Street, I have advised them that we retrieved it after it fell and intend to have it reinstated, just a question of availability to do so. They also reported that some of the wetpour had been torn up from the Play Area. Finally, I was approached for contact details for someone owning a second home within the village and have highlighted that the PC have no means to obtain nor provide such information.  
Our thanks to 1<sup>st</sup> Stanford in the Vale Cubs, whose efforts to their gardening badge has seen the dogwood in Hunters Field and the ivy near the bus shelter in Cottage Road cut back.  
Our thanks are also due to Cllr. Simon Jackson who has fitted the new public defibrillator on the wall of the school building fronting High Street. Cllr Jackson is also taking the lead with the urgent repairs to the "half pipe" at the skatepark – which is a separate agenda item. Whilst dealing with the dismantled kickwall, we also discovered that one of our contractors had been trimming the hedgerow around the football field, but piling the trimmings back into the hedgerow itself, which is causing other issues, and is what we've been asking residents not to do elsewhere.  
I've been working with the Clerk on fine tuning the Finance reports, and you have an updated budget performance report for review later. Separately, I'll take as read my e-mail to OCC following the recent flooding issues in High Street, it was only sent very recently, but we will ensure that it is followed up fully, since the current problems appear to be affecting the entire length of High Street from Sheard's Lane to the A417.  
Item to next agenda – World War II celebrations

**09/10/19 To receive correspondence**

Parishioner – A420 Footpath towards Stanford Mill overgrown hedging and grass/weeds and virtually impassable with safety. To be advised that it should be reported to Fix My Street. Bow Rd. to Hatford footpath bridge planks rotted. – landowner has placed soil under the bridge. Clerk to check legal position if we replace planks as the bridge is not within the parish boundary

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

P19/V2160/HH – 1 Cottage Rd. – Proposed side extension and room in the roof accommodation. Consideration regarding being in a conservation area and close to a listed barn. Also the hedge on the eastern boundary closest to the footpath should be retained

Following these observations/comments

ON THE RESOLUTION OF Cllr.LEWIS

SECONDED BY Cllr.ISAACS

IT WAS RESOLVED that there were NO OBJECTIONS but wish the comments to be taken into account

P19/V2103/FUL – Mill Farm - Erection of a single dwelling as a stockman accommodation at Mill Farm. Access from Park Lane gateway previously approved on application

ON THE RESOLUTION OF Cllr.JENKINS

SECONDED BY Cllr. ISAACS

IT WAS RESOLVED that there were NO OBJECTIONS

**11/10/19 To review Budget Performance**

A more accurate performance had been circulated to council following adjustments and changes

**12/10/19 To discuss repairs to halfpipe at skatepark**

Cllr.Jackson said that a hole had appeared in the pipe and welding was not possible due to internal foam. The area had been fenced off and subject to weather the repairs would be made using resin

**13/10/19 To discuss QEII levelling**

Cllr.Jackson had circulated proposed plans for field and further discussion was required. It was estimated that 6,000 tonnes of top soil was required

**14/10/19 To approve accounts for payment**

23-Aug	D.M.Dew	salary	776.20
30-Aug	C.Stallard	Litter	65.00
30-Aug	HMRC	PAYE & NI	228.66
30-Aug	EE	Broadband & tel	34.00
10-Sep	Village hall	Hall hire	8.00
17-Sep	Came & Co	Insurance	1248.97
17-Sep	Play Inspection	play area insp	234.00
17-Sep	Moore	Ext audit	300.00
17-Sep	OCC	QEII Lease	350.00
18-Sep	D.Rolls	maint.	318.25
02-Oct	K.Williams Cuss	Festival flowers	28.30
27-Sep	Pennys Garden S.	gardening	87.50
30-Sep	C.Stallard	Litter	65.00
<u>30-Sep</u>	D.M.Dew	Salary	788.60
02-Oct	Millennium GT	Use of crest	100.00

ON THE RESOLUTION OF Cllr. MIDDLETON

SECONDED BY Cllr.ISAACS

IT WAS RESOLVED that the accounts be approved/paid

**15/10/19 To approve Monthly Statement of Accounts**

**31 Aug 19**

<b>ASSETS</b>	
<b>Current Assets</b>	
<b>Cash at bank and in hand</b>	
<b>Current Account - TSB</b>	
Reserves - CIL	2,285.12
Reserves - NP	4,033.05
Reserves - Play Equipment	750.00
Current Account - TSB - Other	2,192.03
<b>Total Current Account - TSB</b>	<b>9,260.20</b>
<b>Redwood 35 Day Savings Account</b>	<b>30,168.17</b>
<b>Petty Cash</b>	<b>81.42</b>
<b>Total Cash at bank and in hand</b>	<b>39,509.79</b>

ON THE RESOLUTION OF Cllr. ISAACS

SECONDED BY Cllr. WARREN

IT WAS RESOLVED that the Monthly Statement of Accounts be approved

**16/10/19 To receive report of Environmental Committee**

As circulated to council.

**17/10/19 To receive report of Recreation & Leisure Committee**

As circulated to Council. Report deferred to R & L Committee meeting for further discussion. Cllr. Warren was concerned about the amounts of smashed glass in playareas and Millennium Green. Clerk to liaise with litter picker regarding extra litter patrols for glass removal and purchase of protective clothing

**18/10/19 To receive report of Public Works of Art Liaison Working Party**

Approval has been received regarding siting of Notice Board but still waiting for approval of siting of planters

**19/10/19 To receive report of Neighbourhood Plan**

Still awaiting Strategic Environmental Assessment from Bluestone Planning consultancy.

**20/10/19 To receive report of Millennium Green Trust**

As previously reported smashed glass is a problem

**21/10/19 Date of next meeting**

6<sup>th</sup> November 2019

**22/10/19 Questions/comments from parishioners**

Nil