



Mr Lay reported that the precept has been increased by £5.00 for the Borough Council. In % terms this was higher than the average, however the Borough has the 11th lowest precept in the Country. Local Authorities are struggling and care is costing billions of pounds.

Green waste has seen a 70% take up in the county and this has created a surplus fund, charges for the coming year are remaining the same.

Funds have been raised for big Capital projects, however there are no proposed Capital projects in Stanton Under Bardon.

Blue bin recycling is under review, as are direct services of refuse, street lighting and street cleansing. This has previously been provided in house, however it is not certain whether these services will remain within the Borough Council, or if they will be outsourced.

The cost of the speeding sign will be shared with Markfield PC, as will the labour.

Thanks were given to Matthew Lay.

149/17 ADJOURNMENT OF THE MEETING TO ENABLE COMMENTS/QUESTIONS TO BE PUT BEFORE THE CHAIR (MAXIMUM 10 MINUTES)

Additional bus stop at the bottom of the Village. Following discussion it was agreed that Ian Briggs will progress this matter with the bus company and County Highways.

Clerk also to complain to County Highways (Footpaths) about the state of the footpath at the back of the recreation ground, as it is becoming useable. Mr Briggs will provide the clerk with the footpath reference number. The footpath at the back of recreation ground/Horsepool Grange drive is completely overgrown. This will also need to be included in the email to Highways, D Sprason to be copied in on email.

A parishioner complained about the wood at the allotments where water is bubbling out of the embankment, and was unsure if there had been a landslide from the bank due to the number of buildings. Unfortunately this area does not come under the Parish Council, but will be the responsibility of the County Council. Mr John Geary explained that a lot of Ash trees are being removed on Mr Milner’s ground. This may be affecting the drainage but also the drainage from Horsepool Grange could be affecting the amount of water on the footpath, Parishioners reported numerous instances of vehicles being parked partly on pedestrian footpaths in the village. Parishioners wondered if the yellow lines be extended. This is however a police matter and parishioners were advised to report instances of infringement to 101.

150/17 Clerks report

a. Financial report.

**Outgoings**

07.02.17	Coalville Signs	No dogs	102368	£ 41.40
07.02.17	Mr I Briggs	Printing	102369	£ 26.00
07.02.17	Mr I Briggs	Lock reimbursement	102370	£ 19.99
07.02.17	Community Lincs	Village Hall Insurance	102371	£ 737.52
28.02.17	Janet Peberdy (Litter Collector)	Wages	102372	£ 50.00
28.02.17	Denise Beesley (Clerk)	Wages	102373	£ 124.16
28.02.17	HM Revenue & Customs	Income Tax	102374	£ 43.20
28.02.17	Denise Beesley	Expenses	102375	£ 105.00
28.02.17	British Gas	Electricity	102376	£ 109.59
			TOTAL	£ 1256.86

Resolved Financial Statement is accepted - Proposed: Mr John Geary

Seconded: Mr Ian Briggs

- b. HMRC – taxation of employees – update – All the payroll and the returns that are required have been filed with the Inland Revenue. The exception is that a couple have not been uploaded as there is an error on the file. Clerk believes that this is because there were no previous returns.

151/17 Parish Properties

a. Recreation Ground

Mr West had inspected the recreation ground, which was all in good order, except there were a couple of patches of weeds appearing through the gravel. There was also a tree which had fallen down in the woods.

In the games area there were a few mole mounds that had appeared. Waste bins were fairly full, but the dog waste bins were empty. Thanks were given to Mr Bernard West.

- b. New Notice Board adjacent to the Old Plough –Already Approved
- c. Village Hall Trust - annual meeting on 21st March at 7.30 pm. Clerk to advise Mary Briggs of the cost for Electricity and Gas charges.

Mr Stuart Bridges gave an update on the Land at the back of the houses on St John Cole Crescent. This is now sorted and the paperwork is ready to be signed. Mr Stuart Bridges will email Mrs Mary Briggs to sort out a date when it was convenient to sign the paperwork.

152/17 Neighbourhood Plan

Mr Briggs outlined the purpose and function of a Neighbourhood Plan and the activities required to achieve it. He warned that the project will require the participation and approval of the village community. This would represent the largest such project S-u-B PC had ever attempted but HBBC were already providing considerable help and advice in the preparatory stage.

An initial meeting will be held on 30<sup>th</sup> March at 7.30pm, in the Village Hall. Representatives of HBBC Planning Department will make a presentation about Neighbourhood Planning and provide information regarding how to establish and pursue the project. Representatives from Bagworth & Thornton PC will also be in attendance. All villagers will be invited through advertisements on the notice boards in the village, possibly a leaflet drop and also on the Village website.

153/17 Speed sign Consideration was given for Markfield to share the costs and maintenance. Mrs Mary Briggs has forwarded a copy of the quote for discussion at their meeting.

154/17 Planning Applications/Permissions/Refusals

- a. 17/00167/FUL Erection of detached house and detached triple garage (Plot 1) Land Meadow Lane Stanton Under Bardon – No objections or comments
- b. 17/00168/FUL Erection of detached house and detached double garage, Land Meadow Lane Stanton Under Bardon – No objections or comments
- c. 17/00169/FUL Erection of detached house and detached double garage, Land Meadow Lane Stanton Under Bardon – No objections or comments

155/17 Correspondence received - Landscape Character Assessment Meeting. Mr Bernard West and Mr Ian Briggs will attend the meeting. There had been an Annual Rural conference held at Twycross Zoo in December 2017. The Parish Council are hoping to attend the next one.

156/17 Matters Pending to be actioned before next meeting

- Footpaths
- Bus Stops
- Order Notice Board
- Order Fencing

157/17 Proposed date of Next meeting - 4<sup>th</sup> April 2017 at 7pm

Meeting closed at 8.10 pm