

STANTON UNDER BARDON PARISH COUNCIL



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MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON TUESDAY 10TH APRIL 2018, AT THE VILLAGE HALL, STANTON UNDER BARDON, LEICESTERSHIRE, COMMENCING AT 7PM

PRESENT: Mr Bridges (Chairman)(In the Chair)
Mrs Briggs
Mr Geary
Mr Briggs
Mr West
Cllr M Lay

CLERK: Mrs Zola

Mr Stuart Bridges welcomed everyone to the meeting.

1/18-19 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE
Councillor P.Bedford
Enforcement Officer Nik

2/18-19 DECLARATION OF INTERESTS
None to report

3/18-19 MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETINGS
It was proposed by Mr Briggs, seconded by Mr Bridges and:

RESOLVED: That subject to the date of the meeting being amended to read 6th March 2018, the minutes of the meeting be approved and signed by the Chairman as a correct record.

4/18-19 REPORT BY COUNCILLOR M LAY
Cllr Lay stated that there should be more accountability for the disposal of Section 106 money, which he considered should be spent in the locality for which the planning decision had been made.
The parish council agreed to support Cllr Lay and write to HBBC planning department.

Councillor Lay agreed to investigate the alleged breach of planning permission by the Solar Farm in digging up the newly planted hedge.

5/18-19 REPORT BY COUNTY COUNCILLOR BEDFORD
None received

THE MEETING WAS ADJOURNED TO ENABLE COMMENTS/QUESTIONS TO BE PUT BEFORE THE CHAIRMAN (MAXIMUM 10 MINUTES)

6/18-19 No residents present.

7/18-19 CLERK'S REPORT
a) The Clerk presented a report updating the Council on matters arising from the last meeting.
It was RESOLVED that the report be received.

b) The Financial Report, detailing income and expenditure, was presented by the Clerk. It was proposed by Mrs Briggs, seconded by Mr Bridges and RESOLVED that the report be received

8/18-19 FINANCE

a) Cheques referenced in the financial report were approved.

9/18-19 PARISH PROPERTIES

a) Recreation ground inspection – footpaths were waterlogged. Play equipment and gym equipment were inspected and all in order. The clerk advised that the blue gate had been followed up with Wickstead.

b) Allotments – Top were ok. Bottom were wet.

c) Council approved the request by Mr Sercombe for the erection of a concrete building subject to the proviso in the Allotment Agreement that the council are not liable for the contents.

d) No report received from the Litter Picker.

10/18-19 NEIGHBOURHOOD PLANNING

Mr Briggs reported that arrangements for the Stakeholder meeting had now been finalised and the meeting would be held on Thursday 12th April at S-u-B village hall. Regrettably, only 10 Stakeholders had agreed to come to date. The minutes of the Steering Group's most recent meeting were presented. There were no changes to the balance sheet.

11/18-19 PLANNING

Two planning applications had been received:-

a. Alterations and extensions to existing bungalow. White House Farm, Ellistown Lane – no objections

b. Erection of building for B2 and or B8 employment and associated works amended scheme to Plot 3. Location: Battleflat Lodge Farm, West Lane - no objections

12/18-19 PARISH PROPERTIES

It was AGREED that rent for parish properties will not be increased.

13/18-19 ENFORCEMENT OFFICER

The Enforcement Officer passed on his apologies with a view to rescheduling his presentation for another meeting to be arranged by the clerk.

14/18-19 AUDIT 2016/17

Grant Thornton raised the following comments about the financial year 16/17:

1. The declaration form should be dated on two separate occasions
2. The council is holding too much money in the day to day accounts
3. The Council should seek advice for any matters concerning HMRC and minute accordingly.

15/18-19 WEEDKILLING

It was AGREED that the clerk would establish whether the Litter Picker would be prepared to undertake a training course on weedkilling. The clerk would investigate costs and other relevant information.

16/18-19 WAR MEMORIAL

It was AGREED that the Council place a hook for the wreath on the War Memorial and purchase two planters for bedding plants either side of the Memorial.

17/18-19 SOLAR PANELS

It was AGREED that the Clerk would inform the Solar Panel company, having been provided with additional information by the company, they wish to proceed with the installation of Solar Panels on the Village Hall.

18/18-19 PARISH NEWSLETTER

It was AGREED that Mrs Briggs will produce a Parish Newsletter on a trial basis.

19/18-19 VILLAGEHALL BOILER

Problems with the boiler at the village hall have now been resolved.

20/18-19 REPORT ON OTHE MEETING ATTENDED BY COUNCILLORS

Mrs Briggs presented a report from the external meetings that Councillors had attended in the last month (copy attached).

21/18-19 RURAL ACHIEVEMENT AWARDS

It was AGREED that Mrs Briggs would complete the application form for the Rural Achievement Awards nominating the Parish's Village Hall.

22/18-19 LITTER PICKER'S WASTE BINS

It was AGREED that the clerk complete and return the appropriate forms appertaining to the Litter Picker's waste bins.

23/18-19 The Chairman advised that the Annual Meeting of the Parish be held on Thursday 24th May At the Village Hall at 7pm. The Annual Parish Meeting will be held on 8th May at 7pm.

24/18-19 CORRESPONDENCE received

Various road closures

Mr Baxter's letter regarding the rabbit fence to the rear of his property.

Mr Sercombe – Addressed earlier in the minutes

Church Mowing - It was agreed that the Clerk would contact LRALC to enquire whether the Parish Council was acting in accordance with the current regulations by including the mowing of the church grounds in its contract with its ground maintenance company.

25/18-19 DATE OF NEXT MEETING

Tuesday 8th May 2018 which will be the council's Annual Parish Meeting.

Meeting closed at 8.52pm