

**Minutes of the MEETING of STANTON ON THE WOLDS Parish Council held on Tuesday September 9, 2015, at 7.30pm, at the Parish Church, Browns Lane, Stanton on the Wolds**

Couns. Mike Sheriston (Chairman)  
Jim Goodman                      Hilary Whitby  
Alex McKee                        Teri Browett  
Richard Whitby                  Martin Danielson

In attendance: The clerk Mike Elliott and Rushcliffe Borough Council members Couns. Andy Edyvean and Rob Inglis.

1] APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE    There were none

2    DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST    There were none

3    MINUTES FROM PREVIOUS MEETING HELD ON JUNE 16, 2015 were accepted as circulated and signed by the chairman.

4    CLERK'S REPORT FROM PREVIOUS MEETING

A response was still awaited from Mr Farhad Gazeran –Akbari in regard to the former garage site on Melton Road.

The bush overgrowth at the junction of Thurlby Lane and Stanton Lane had been cleared by Coun. Goodman.

Coun. John Cottee has reported by email letter on a meeting with Notts County Council highways and says there will not be an extension of the 40mph speed limit on the A606, with both themselves and the police opposed to it. There were numerous other items raised at the meeting, at which local resident Mr Day was also present, several of which involved maintenance related matters.

5    CORRESPONDENCE

Mr J E Duck wrote in regard to his public liability insurance cover and said his current £1m public liability was sufficient for his needs. He did not feel able to increase the cover to £5m as required by Notts County Council and therefore would cease the work he undertook for the council. The clerk said he would approach the contractor who carried out the work at Normanton on the Wolds.

Notts Assoc of Local Councils advised of their agm at Epperstone on November 18. The chairman said anyone able to go was asked to advise the clerk.

Grant Thornton for the Audit Commission. Comment made on the level of funds held and request to consider taking steps to reduce the level of reserves in future years if necessary and on the fact that the Rushcliffe Borough Council tax support grant should have been shown as grants and not council precept income.

6    PLANNING MATTERS

Rushcliffe Borough Council planning applications

The clerk pointed out that under the Code of Conduct a councillor should not make their mind up over any matter before the council until the item had been discussed at a meeting, otherwise there could be an accusation of predetermination against them.

The chairman changed the order of the agenda to bring forward the public session item to allow a resident to participate in the planning application item.

15/01810/ful. M Kendrick, 46 Stanton Lane, single storey rear extension and a new front boundary wall and associated works. The local Borough members were not objecting and the matter will be a delegated decision by an officer. It is planned the decision will be issued before the end of the week. A number of letters of objection has been submitted to the Borough along with those supporting the application. A copy of a letter from Mr Hackett of 35 Stanton Lane who was objecting to the appearance of the wall had been circulated to members. The council felt it did not wish to make any comment.

## 7 VILLAGE AMENITIES:

Coun. Mrs Whitby spoke in regard to the recent Social held at her home and said the feedback from residents had been very good. She said the event made a profit of over £300. It was agreed letters of thanks be sent to a number of people who had been particularly helpful in making the event so successful. The meeting was told that a Plant Sale was proposed for late April next year. A number of forms seeking comment from residents on what they wanted to see for the parish had been received but Coun. Mrs Teri Browett said she would like to see more.

Neighbourhood Watch: Coun. Richard Whitby said Pc Howard Shinn would support the reinstatement of the scheme in the parish. It was not clear what the current leader Mr Brian Hunt intended as far as himself was concerned and he would be approached to ascertain his position. An appeal would be made in the next Newsletter for more residents to be involved and a topic would be included on the website. Coun. Goodman said he would be unable to attend the next Police Priority Setting meeting at Gotham on October 21 and asked if any other member could attend.

The new parish Notice Boards had been erected. Progress was being made in regard to the reinstatement of the A606 road seat at the former garage and Coun. Richard Whitby would obtain a price for the necessary work to be carried out when the clerk provided the details of the Notts County Council requirements in regard to the contractor to be used.

## 8 FINANCIAL MATTERS

CHEQUES FOR PAYMENT were approved as per the circulated list.

## 9 WEBSITE

Coun. Mrs Browett reported good progress on work to improve the site. The chairman said he was impressed by the appearance of the new-look site. It was agreed that the responsibility for content of it be delegated to Coun. Mrs Browett and the Clerk.

10 NEWSLETTER: The council approved the appointment of Couns. Richard and Hilary Whitby to edit the newsletter which it would wish to see published four times a year on pre-designated dates which would be publicised in it. The clerk would be expected to check the contents before publication.

## 11] ENVIRONMENTAL MATTERS:

A report was given on the Community Road Safety event that had been attended by Couns. R and H Whitby and Mrs T Browett.

A successful speed check event had taken place on the A606 road. More volunteers were needed to undertake training in order the speed check scheme could be extended. The new equipment consisting of three units highlighting the speed of a vehicle through the designated area and which the police have purchased is available to use.

Minutes of meetings: It was agreed the clerk produce minutes of meetings within ten days of a meeting of the council and make these available to members and for showing on the website and displaying in the library at Keyworth.

## .12 FOOTPATHS

Coun. Richard Whitby gave an update on a meeting with Mr Eric Elliott and said it did not seem likely there would be action on the proposed route diversion on the path over his land.

## 13 AGENDA ITEMS FOR NEXT MEETING

Items would include Community facilities and the appointment of working parties for the agreed three subjects of footpaths and environment, the Website and events. The council would welcome non members to the working parties. The question on the appearance of a site on Browns Lane would also be raised.

There being no further business the meeting closed at 9.35pm.



## CHEQUES FOR PAYMENT

9] WEBSITE

10] NEWSLETTER – Appointing editing team prior to submission to the clerk for approval Agree 4 issues a year.

11] ENVIRONMENTAL MATTERS -- Community Road Safety - feedback on event attended by Couns. R and H Whitbys and T Browett

Minutes of meetings: Timing of availability and distributing to the library, individual councillors and posting on the website.

.12] FOOTPATHS Update on meeting with Mr Eric Elliot and possible route diversion and expenditure question for Parish council (circa £2000)

13] AGENDA ITEMS FOR NEXT MEETING

14] PUBLIC SESSION

**Also in attendance:** The clerk Mike Elliott.

1] APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE There were none

2] DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST There were none

3] MINUTES FROM PREVIOUS MEETING HELD ON MAY 13, 2015 were accepted as circulated and signed by the chairman after it was pointed out that the speed limit on the A606 road was 40mph and not 50mph as stated.

4] CLERK'S REPORT FROM PREVIOUS MEETING

Seat A606 road The chairman reported on a meeting with garage owner Farhad Gazeran-Akbari and reported he had said he was happy to allow the seat to be erected on the same spot as the previous one had been. In regard to the appearance of the now closed garage he had said he would instigate a clear up but nothing had so far happened.

5] VILLAGE INITIATIVES INCLUDING NEWSLETTER

Sunday July 12. Mr Mrs Hill, The White House, Nicker Hill, garden party for parish church funds. The Parish Council had been invited to attend.

The meeting agreed to support the holding of a garden party event on September 5 at the home of Couns Richard and Hilary Whitby, with various stalls etc. It was suggested an admission charge of either 50p or £1 with free entry for children. It was agreed that Couns. Mr and Mrs Whitby and Coun. Browett continue with the arrangements. The event would raise funds for a yet to be determined charity.

Discussion took place on the council newsletter and it was agreed to publish an issue when arrangements had been confirmed for events by the council. It was felt all members be given the opportunity to view the copy before printing. There was a suggestion that an informal meeting be held when all the copy had been written.

It was agreed a further litter pick be held in September. Coun. Mrs Whitby was asked to go ahead with purchase of ten rubbish bag hoops at a price of £5 99p each. The clerk would ask Rushcliffe Borough Council for a comparable price.

The Christmas card competition was discussed and it was agreed it proceed, with it open to all ages. It was felt the finished card needed to be of smart appearance and could be a photograph or a drawing. Entry forms to be given to those taking part were to be produced and displayed at the forthcoming church garden party. Entries would close in September.

The clerk said the Church Wardens at Stanton had been asked to comment on the current use and potential of the Church building and were seeking opinions from the council. It was agreed the council would support community use of the building but recognised there would be problems over lack of toilet and kitchen facilities.

The question of a Christmas event to be organised by the council would be looked by members at the next meeting, once details of church events had been obtained.

6] PLANNING MATTERS

Rushcliffe Borough Council planning applications None

Rushcliffe Borough Council planning decisions

15/600630 ful Network Rail, Stanton Tunnell, Dalby Test Track, install GSM-R communications mast for temporary period 10 years, Grant.

15/00595/ful Mr Mrs McLaren, OS Field 5155 Browns Lane. . Single storey extension of existing garage to form office, Grant.

15/00570/ful. Rob Day, 206 Melton Road. Two storey side extension, first floor side extension, hipped roof to existing flat roof attached double garage, raise roof height and new pitched roof to single storey side projection, application of insulated external render. Grant.

15/00818/ful. Mr M Kendrick, 46 Stanton Lane, single storey rear extension, Grant

7] ENVIRONMENT INCLUDING A606 GARAGE SITE,

The Chairman commented further on his meeting with site owner of the A606 garage. He expressed doubts as to a speedy reaction in regard to the tidying work that was needed. Coun. Danielson said he had been cutting grass on the site frontage but did not intend to continue because of insurance problems. The clerk was asked to seek confirmation from the grass cutting contractor Mr R Duck in regard to his insurance and if he would be able to extend the area he cuts to include the garage frontage.

The clerk was asked to write to Notts County Council in regard to their grass cutting work in the parish and to seek confirmation as to when it was carried out.

The question of the Stanton Footpath No 6 over land owned by Mr Eric Elliott was discussed and Coun. Goodman was to contact Jane Baynes in regard to progressing possible implementation of a Permissive Footpath scheme. A site meeting was to be asked for.

8] WEBSITE

The meeting was told that Mr Alan Hunt was offering support for the re-design of the website and would make available the information that was on the existing site. Coun. Mrs Browett would work with Coun. Goodman and his colleague in regard to the new site.

9] NALC CIRCULAR

The council discussed the Local Council Award Scheme introduced by NALC. It was felt the requirements for seeking the award were extensive and while some would easily be met others would require working on, including the need for members to undertake training.

9] FINANCIAL MATTERS There were none

There being no further business the meeting closed at 8.30pm.

Her Majesty The Queen is set to become the longest ever reigning monarch in British history on September 9 this year. when she will pass the record set by her great-great-grandmother Queen Victoria who reigned for 63 years and actually for 23,226 days, 16 hours and 23 minutes, Queen Elizabeth II will enter the history books when she overtakes Victoria during September 9 2015. It is likely to be business as usual for the Queen when she reaches the landmark date at the age of 89.