

STANTON PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON MONDAY 24th APRIL 2023

Present: Cllr Brown (Chair), Cllr K Watkins, & Cllr Walsham

Attending: Di Hoyes (Parish Clerk)

Public: 1 member of the public

Public Session. To receive comments and information from the Village Hall Trust and members of press & public.

It was agreed that the correspondence received from the RMBC planning officer would be brought forward and discussed in the public session. One member of the public attending the meeting asked whether or not RMBC would consider reducing the national speed limit on Stainton Lane to 30mph, in line with the reduction on Grange Lane. The Clerk read out the response received from RMBC Transport Unit:

“When the scheme was first proposed I met with SYP and the Council’s Senior Road Safety Engineer to discuss the proposed development / surrounding network. The development proposes significant changes to the highway environment fronting Grange Lane and accordingly SYP were in support of the speed reduction scheme in this location. Unfortunately, whilst a new access is proposed to Stainton Lane no further changes are currently intended and therefore, we were of the opinion that a reduction in the speed limit could not be supported. You will appreciate that merely changing the speed limit / signs will not change driver behaviour.

With regards to the proposed new access, I can confirm that this will be designed to current standards and appropriate visibility will be provided and maintained at all times so as to ensure access / egress can be achieved safely.”

Council unanimously agreed that the response from RMBC was disappointing, and would be revisited. **Matter ongoing.**

Report Received from the VHT

No further update was received.

358/2023 Chair’s opening remarks and any declarations of disclosable pecuniary interest

Declarations were received from Cllr Nick Walsham in relation to the VHT.

359/2023 To receive and approve apologies

Apologies were received from Cllr Barratt Cllr I Watkins & Ward Cllr Martin Greenhalgh, the apologies were approved. **Matter resolved.**

360/2023 To sign and approve the minutes of the meeting held on 27th March 2023.

The minutes were proposed by Cllr K Watkins and seconded by Cllr Walsham.

The minutes were then recorded as a true and accurate record, and were signed by Cllr Brown (Chair). **Matter resolved.**

361/2023 To note matters arising from the minutes, not on the agenda (Information only).

Cllr Brown informed Council that a flood meeting had been held in April at the village hall. Attendees were senior officers from DMBC, Lord Scarborough’s agent and a number of local farmers. The meeting was hosted by Yorkshire Wildlife Trust. Cllr Brown said that the intention for the meeting was to start talks with local landowners, whose land crosses the boundary between Stainton & Tickhill.

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The outcome if the project commenced would be to slow the flow of water from Stainton to Tickhill making the stream meander, meaning the final impact would be less pressure on Tickhill Dyke. Cllr Brown also stated that she raised the flooding issues in Stainton in particular with the advent of the new Grange Lane development. No decisions or agreements were reached at the meeting.

362/2023 To receive the latest Police report. (February)



Village	Road	Crime	Statistics
Stainton	Holme Hall Lane	Anti-Social Behaviour	1
		Violence & Sexual Offences	1
		Criminal Damage & Arson	1
Wilsic			
Lambcote			
		Total	3

363/2023 To receive the Ward Councillors report.

No report

364/2023 To discuss and comment on new applications for planning permission.

21/00398/MINA – Holme Hall Lane. Council discussed this proposed application and no objections were raised as long as the proposal was in keeping with the area. Clerk to notify DMBC. **Matter Resolved.**

Cllr Brown reminded Council that the Breedon planning application was being heard by the DMBC planning committee next month. **Matter ongoing.**

365/2023 To discuss matters relating to, the recreation field and facilities.

A discussion was had about re-siting the fencing around the play equipment to encompass the new equipment. Cllr K Watkins agreed to approach Philip Watkins to see if this was feasible. Clerk to notify DMBC of the proposed changes. **Matter ongoing.**

366/2023 To discuss and review highways & footpath issues.

Cllr Brown discussed the meeting had with officers from the three local quarries. Inadequate signage was reported and Tarmac agreed that they would improve their signage at their entry point to try and reduce HGV's passing it and driving into Stainton village. Cllr Brown also reported that one of the reasons why HGV's still come through the village is because Breedon's registered address is Holme Hall Lane. Breedon's agreed to look into this. **Matter ongoing.**

366/2023 To discuss the official opening of the new recreational equipment to commemorate the Queen's Jubilee 1952-2022

Clerk notified Council that the plaques were with Breedon and that the Quarry Manager had confirmed that the work had started on the boulder. No date was set for the official opening until the boulder had been sited. **Matter ongoing.**

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367/2023 To discuss & review environmental issues

Cllr Brown notified Council of a new environmental initiative, which involves dead hedges. Cllr Brown explained that groups of volunteers in areas were collecting branches and twigs to fill areas of hedgeways which had been damaged. The initiative would help the sustainability of flora & fauna, and promote a safe wildlife habitat. Council agreed in principle this was a good idea and agreed to discuss it further at the next meeting. Cllr Brown also notified Council that she was planning to arrange a meeting with the Yorkshire Wildlife Trust Officer to discuss this and various other environmental matters. **Matter ongoing.**

368/23 To discuss the maintenance of the pond, Ruddale Dyke and surrounding area.

Cllr Walsham reported to Council that further work would be carried out on the village pond on the 3rd June. Cllr Brown also confirmed that she would be approaching the Wildlife Trust for assistance with the pond. **Matter ongoing.**

369/2023 To discuss and review matters relating to the website.

Matter ongoing.

370/23 To discuss the maintenance of the village telephone box.

Clerk reported that the telephone box had now been primed. The contractor carrying out the repair found significant structural damage to the roof of the box which has now been repaired. Clerk informed Council that work had now stopped until quotations have been received for the window polycarbonate Perspex. Ward Cllr Greenhalgh is approaching a local supplier, and Clerk to attain a comparison. **Matter ongoing.**

371/2023 To receive updates relating to Wilsic.

No updates received.

372/2023 To received updates relating to Lambcote Grange

No update received.

373/23 To review & approve the 2023 – 2024 Risk Assessment

Council reviewed and approved the 2023 – 2024 Risk Assessment. Cllr K Watkins proposed the matter and Cllr Walsham seconded. **Matter resolved.**

374/2023 Finance

To receive and approve bank statements.

Cllr Walsham proposed the approval of the bank statements & Cllr K Watkins seconded.

To approve online payments.

DC Hoyes – Clerk's salary April	£137.75
DC Hoyes – Cartridge World	£44.99
Nichols Signs – Plaques	£144.00
YLCA annual subscription	£131.00
DS Paddock Care – Maintenance	£240.00

To review & approve the AGAR and associated documentation

Council reviewed and approved the following documentation

Annual Governance & Accountability Return

Internal Audit

Financial Statement

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Bank Reconciliation

Asset Register

Final Budget

Financial Risk Assessment

Cllr Brown proposed the approval of all documentation & Cllr Watkins seconded. **Matter resolved**

To discuss the Clerk's salary 2023-2024

Council discussed the annual increase in Clerk's salary & to include the working from home allowance. Cllr Brown proposed the matter and Cllr Walsham seconded. **Matter resolved**

To discuss & decide 2023-2024 Budget

Council discussed the 2023-2024 draft budget. It was agreed that the budget for the maintenance across the parish would be increased to £1,000 to allow for further planting and replacement troughs & tubs. Cllr Brown also raised the shared cost of the brass band at Christmas with the VHT, which needed including within the budget. Cllr Walsham proposed the matter and Cllr K Watkins seconded. **Matter resolved.** Cllr Brown signed the AGAR and instructed the Clerk to send the Notice of Public Rights to PKF Littlejohn, to display the notice on parish noticeboards and to publish all documents on the village website

375/2023 To note correspondence and consider any necessary action.

YLCA – White Rose Bulletin & Law and Governance Bulletin received via email

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356/2023 To receive matters for the next general meeting

Official Opening of the new play equipment.

357/2023 To approve the date for the next meeting.

Council agreed that the next scheduled general meeting would be the 5th June. Council also agreed to delay the Annual meeting and the Parish meeting until the 15th May due to bank holidays. With no further business to attend to Cllr Brown closed the meeting at 8.55pm.

Signed



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