

Stainton Parish Council

MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON MONDAY 17th May 2021

Present: Cllr Brown (Chair), Cllr K Watkins, Cllr I Watkins, Cllr Barratt and Cllr Walsham

Attending: Di Hoyes (Parish Clerk)

Apologies: Ward Cllr Greenhalgh and Ward Cllr Cannings sent their apologies.

Also, In Attendance: A representative from Stainton Village Hall Trust and four members of the public.

Public Forum: Including the Village Hall Trust

Two residents from Wilsic attended the meeting and requested that the Council contacted DMBC with regards to new signage on Wilsic Lane, indicating large farming vehicles. Clerk to action. The residents also reported issues with the condition of the highway and potholes in Wilsic. Clerk to raise the matter with DMBC. Sue Barratt (representative from the Village Hall Trust) introduced herself to the residents and suggested arranging a meeting with them to discuss how the VHT can assist Wilsic residents. Cllr Brown also agreed to attend the meeting. Two residents introduced themselves to Council as they had only recently moved into Stainton. All of Council warmly welcomed them.

Cllr K Watkins in the public session mentioned that the brass band from last year who performed at Christmas had approached her to see if the Parish wanted them to perform again this year. Cllr Walsham remarked that the brass band had been very well received, however it was the consensus that the performance was too short. Council K Watkins agreed to contact the organisers and request that the performance time to be extended. Cllr K Watkins agreed to report back to Council at the next meeting to confirm the booking.

39/2021 Declarations of Interest:

Cllr Barratt: Stainton Village Hall Trust. Cllr N Walsham: Stainton Village Hall Trust. Cllr S Brown: Stainton Village Hall Trust

40/2021 Minutes of the last meeting held on Monday 12th April 2021

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

41/2021 Matters arising from the minutes

No matters arising.

42/2021 Police Report:

Cllr Brown advised that four know crimes had been reported in March, one relating to anti-social behaviour and three offences relating to violent & sexual offences.

43/2021 Recreation Field and Facilities

Cllr K Watkins reminded Council the decision was made 18 months ago to regenerate the playing field for children & adults. A village survey was carried out and the prominent factors important to the villagers were adult equipment, planting and additional seating area for picnics. From this a small working group was established involving the Parish Council and the Village Hall Trust. Cllr K Watkins informed Council that another consultation would be carried out in July to find out what differences the younger residents would like to have. Cllr Watkins pointed out that funding is required for this project and one of the main criteria to attain funding will be the focus on the increase of physical and mental wellness by the regeneration of the greenspace and facilities. Cllr Watkins acknowledged that three quotes including a design were required for the project before funding was sort.

44/2021 Ward Councillor Report

None in attendance.

45/2021 Planning Applications.

No planning applications were submitted.

46/2021 Highways and Footpaths

An Assistant Engineer from DMBC carried out an investigation on the embankment on School Lane and established that the embankment is under the ownership of Doncaster Council. The Maintenance Team at Northbridge Depot will look at the issue, and hopefully be able to take steps to shore up the area. Cllr I Watkins reported that the overhanging branches had been removed, and assumed it must have been carried out by DMBC.

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Cllr Brown reported that the bins within the Parish were not fit for purpose. Clerk to liaise with Northbridge Depot (DMBC) to see if the bins could be replaced with dual purpose ones. Council agreed that a letter of thanks should be sent to a resident on Holme Hall Lane, for his continued efforts in litter picking around Stainton.

47/2021 Superfast South Yorkshire

Cllr Barratt advised Council that Stainton had been successful in reaching the target set by Superfast South Yorkshire. The installation of this service/fibre optic cabling will commence in October.

48/2021 Telephone Box

Cllr Brown advised that £800.00 was available for the maintenance and upgrade of the Telephone Box.

49/2021 Wilsic

Discussed under public participation.

50/2021 Village Pond and Surrounding Areas

The Clerk reported that the pond had been treated by A&D Garden Services. Council agreed that the Pond and surrounding area needed to be tidied up and maintained. The Clerk suggested that Council approached Wildscapes, a company who are regenerating ponds in Yorkshire & the North East, assisted with funding from Natural England. The regeneration of the ponds will provide a safe haven for the Great Crested Newt. Council agreed that contact should be made with Wildscapes. Clerk to Action.

51/2021 Web Site

Cllr Barratt agreed to update and modernise the Stainton Village website. The Clerk advised that she was having a meeting with the previous Clerk to discuss the administration of the website. The Clerk will liaise with Cllr Barratt on this matter.

52/2021 Monthly/Six Weekly Meeting Schedule

All of Council agreed that the six weekly meetings would continue throughout 2021/2022

53/2021 Finance

- a) **Bank Statements:** Council were not provided with a copy of the latest bank statements, due to the handover to the new Clerk.
- b) **Accounts for Approval:** approved the following online payments:

D Hoyes	£105.20
YLCA	£15.00
A & D Gardening	£168.00

Clerk informed Council that Mr ME Hoyes from Braithwell has agreed to complete the AGAR and Financial year end 2021/2022 on behalf of Stainton Council free of charge.

Cllr Barratt requested that the Grounds Maintenance spend on the budget be broken down into the three providers. Clerk to action.

54/2021 Correspondence

YLCA: Law & Governance Bulletin. Council were all supplied with a copy of the new bulletin. The Clerk advised that this bulletin would now be sent out monthly by YLCA.

DMBC road closure – Stainton Lane. Council was informed about the dates of the multiple road closures. Upgrade of PlusNet broadband speed at Stainton Village Hall - A new 2-year PlusNet fibre optic contract has been agreed for the Village Hall. The contract will significantly improve the speed of broadband in the hall. The upgrade will go live in May.

Cllr Brown received notification that the Yorkshire Ambulance Service are going to do a training session on the defibrillator on the 9th June via zoom. Cllr Barratt suggested that the projector in the village hall be set up to host the meeting. Cllr Barratt agreed to arrange this.

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55/2021Next Meeting

Council approved the following date: 28th June 2021 at Stainton Village Hall.

There being no further business the meeting closed at 8.40pm.

Signed 

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