

# STANTON UPON HINE HEATH PARISH COUNCIL

**MINUTES** of the Full Council Meeting held on **Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> May 2022** at **Stanton Village Hall** at **7.30pm**.

**PRESENT:** Councillors T Gurney (Chairman)  
I Yeadon  
D Dee  
M Moore  
S Barrett  
C Crackett

**In Attendance:** Katrina Baker (Clerk)  
Cllr C Warren – via teams  
Cllr L Downes – via teams (until 495.22C)

## **486.22C Welcome & Public Session**

The Chairman thanked Councillor Dee for his hard work throughout his period of office and for leading the meetings with good humour and wit (and for the coffee and biscuits). Councillor Gurney also thanked members for their support and encouragement.

### **Police**

PC Ambrose had sent a short report, which had been circulated to all Members. It was agreed that Members would attend the police surgeries whenever possible and encourage a walk around the village to speak to local residents. A copy of the dates of the surgeries will be circulated.

### **Public Session**

None

## **487.22C Apologies**

PC Ambrose  
Cllr P Gill (received after the meeting)

## **488.22C Declarations of Interest and Dispensations**

None

## **489.22C Minutes**

It was proposed by Councillor Crackett and seconded by Councillor Barrett that the Minutes of the meeting held on 1<sup>st</sup> March 2022 be agreed as a true record and signed by the Chairman. All were in favour and thus it was

<b>RESOLVED that the Minutes of the meeting held on 1<sup>st</sup> March be agreed and signed as a true record by the Chairman.</b>
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**There were no matters arising.**

## **490.22C Finance and Governance Matters**

### **a) Accounts for Payment**

BACs	Clerk's Salary & PAYE (April)	£220.00 and £55.00	LGA 1972
BACs	Highway Maintenance (April)	£162.22	LGA 1972 s101
BACs	Selection of Fruit Trees	£422.48	Open Spaces Act 1906 ss9 and 10

BACs	SALC Affiliation Fee	£301.96	LGA 1972
BACs	Zoom Fee	£8.00	LGA 1972
BACs	Street Light Energy	£50.44	Parish Councils Act 1957 s3
BACs	Book of Condolence and Framed Royal Image	£133.99	LGA 1972 s137

**RESOLVED that the payments, as listed, be authorised.**

**b) Financial Reports**

- The precept for 2022/23 (£10992.00) had been received into the current account

**c) Annual Governance and Accountability Return 2021/22**

A copy of the documents had been circulated. It was proposed by Councillor Dee and seconded by Councillor Crackett that the AGAR be completed.

A copy of the Internal Audit will be circulated, for information.

Members considered the eight requirements of Section One, the Annual Governance Statement and confirmed that there is a sound system of internal control. A copy of the Accounting Statements had been circulated, which clearly recorded the income and expenditure of the Parish Council during this financial year.

**d) Certificate of Exemption**

The total annual gross income for the authority in 2021/22 was £12622 and the total annual gross expenditure was £10,446 for the same period. It was therefore proposed by Councillor Gurney and seconded by Councillor Yeadon that Stanton Parish Council certifies itself as exempt and a completed Certificate of Exemption will be submitted to the Auditors no later than 30<sup>th</sup> June 2022.

**RESOLVED that the Parish Council adopts the end of year accounts, having completed Section One and Two of the AGAR and formally certifies itself as exempt.**

The following documents are available on request or are available on the website:

Explanation of Variances

Bank Reconciliation

Contact Details 2022/23

Income & Expenditure 2021/22

A VAT refund of £205.56 has been applied for.

**e) Dates for Public Inspection**

It was proposed by Councillor Gurney and seconded by Councillor Yeadon that the public inspection dates will be 13<sup>th</sup> June 2022 to 22<sup>nd</sup> July 2022.

**f) Shropshire Council Environmental Maintenance Grant**

The Clerk informed Members that Stanton Upon Hine Heath Parish Council will receive £1500.

**491.22C**

**Highway Matters**

**a) Updates**

Members are keen to investigate the options of working in partnership with Shropshire Council to enhance the current highway maintenance contract. Councillor Gill had agreed to enquire how this could be managed.

Only four requests for action were appearing on Fix My Street, which does not appear to be updated – this will be taken up with Shropshire Council officers.

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**Planning**

**a) Updates**

22/01491/PMBPA

Awaiting decision

22/01497/DIS

Rathbarron – discharge of conditions approved

**b) Applications for Consideration**

None

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**Environmental Matters**

**a) River Action Group**

Councillor Warren updated the meeting with regards to the landowner and action urgently needed on the large tree at The Old Mill which blocks the river. A discussion continued regarding any help that the Parish Council can legally provide to assist with the task to remove the tree.

Members agreed that the Parish Council could use funding available through Section 137 of the LGA 1972 to assist in addressing this issue for the benefit of the community. It was therefore agreed that updated quotations should be obtained in order that the Council can consider this at a future meeting and to make an informed decision.

**b) Kissing Gate**

Thanks were extended to everyone involved in the installation of the new kissing gate, which is much appreciated by the local walkers and organisers of the Stanton Hop.

**c) Community Orchard**

Thanks were recorded to all Members who helped with the preparation of the land and planting. Councillor Dee has watered the trees regularly and thanks are extended to Mr A Wellings (neighbour) for his help in continuing to water the trees, when required.

**d) SC Community Tree Scheme**

Councillor Warren had completed the monitoring form, on behalf of the Parish Council. The trees have been planted, and the hedging used at the Village Green.

494.22C

**Projects**

**a) Platinum Jubilee Celebrations**

The events planned in Stanton have now been advertised and copies of the flyer will be available for High Hatton and Hazles Road – everyone in the Parish is welcome to attend. Details of the activities on 4<sup>th</sup> June 2022 will be advertised on the website. Bookings for the lunch or evening BBQ should be sent to The Stanton Arms.

Volunteers are needed to assist on the day.

Families in High Hatton will come together to create a village street party in the evening of Friday, 3<sup>rd</sup> June. Everyone is welcome to the courtyard outside of the Barns, for a bring and share tea party.

It was proposed by Councillor Dee and seconded by Councillor Moore that £50 be donated to St Andrew's Church towards the flowers which will decorate the church for the Sunday Jubilee Service.

Bunting is available.

100 Jubilee Coins have been purchased and will be available for all children in the Parish, under the age of 16.

*Councillor Downes left the meeting*

**b) Parish Sundial**

Limited additional information is available – this item will be added to the July Agenda, hopefully more information will then be available.

**495.22C Shropshire Association of Local Councils**

All news bulletins and information are shared with the Members.

**North Shropshire Area Committee**

Councillor Crackett had attended the recent meeting where in depth discussions took place regarding:

- Good Food Partnership and Foodshare Project
- Loss of buses, particularly in the rural areas – SC have offered temporary financial assistance
- State of pothole repairs
- Levelling Up Bid – unsuccessful
- Safeguarding concerns
- Meeting with SALC and MPs – flooding high on the agenda
- Ambulance service and hospitals
- Defibrillators
- Whitchurch Driving Test Centre

The Minutes will be available.

**496.22C Stanton Village Hall**

There are vacancies on the Management Committee. The newsletter will appear on the next agenda for further consideration.

**497.22C Correspondence**

All Correspondence is shared with all Members, there had been no requests for any to be included on the Agenda for consideration.

**a) Hawkestone Motorcross**

Concerns remain regarding elements of the events which include the noise, vehicles, verge damage and litter. The events also have a detrimental effect on nearby horses. The site has permission, with conditions and it was agreed that the Parish Council should request details in order that members can answer questions from local residents. When further information is available, the Parish Council will consider contacting Weston and Hodnet Parish Councils.

**498.22C Clerk's Report**

All matters had been included on the Agenda.

**499.22C Parish Matters and Exchange of Information**

Concerns were raised reference unauthorised use of the 'black shed' at The Old Mill.

Members will be considering future projects in the coming months, including broadband provision.

**500.22C Date of the Next Meeting**

5<sup>th</sup> July 2022                      7pm                      Stanton Village Hall

There being no further business, the Chairman closed the meeting at 9.20pm thanking all members for their important contributions to an effective meeting.

Signed ..... Date .....

**E&OE**

These minutes are Draft and will remain for information only, until agreed as a true record at the next Full Council meeting on 5<sup>th</sup> July 2022.