



Little Stanney & District Parish Council

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Minutes of the meeting held on Monday 28 September 2021 in Little Stanney Village Hall

PRESENT: Cllrs David Astbury (in the Chair), Rachael Bate, Paul Carter, Peter Hartshorn, John Jones, Mark Parry and Judith Thomas

In attendance: Mrs Pauline English (Parish Clerk), Ward Cllr Graham Heatley (for the first part of the meeting) and two members of the public

21.74 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies were received from Cllrs Linda Carter, Clive Lipscombe, Pete Mountford and Michael Todd

21.75 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

None

21.76 MINUTES

RESOLVED: That the Minutes of the Meeting held on 26 July 2021 be confirmed as a correct record.

21.77 PUBLIC SPEAKING TIME

Two representatives of B4RN attended and updated the Parish Council on the current situation with the project in Mollington and the surrounding areas.

21.78 UPDATE REPORTS

- (1) **Speeding Vehicles:** The relevant authorities, including Cheshire West & Chester Council (CWaC), McArthur Glen and the Police were aware of the issues relating to the speeding vehicles and were keeping a watching brief. The meeting of the Cheshire Oaks Partnership had not yet taken place, but the matter would be discussed when it did.
- (2) **Bridleway, Whitby Lane:** The Clerk was asked to remind Ward Councillors Simon Eardley and Graham Heatley of the need for a meeting
- (3) It was noted that the new Notice Board for Stoak had been ordered from the Parish Notice Board Company. Delivery was anticipated in the next week or two. The Clerk had asked that Councillor Jones be contacted when delivery was expected.

21.79 PLANNING

(1) Applications received for comment:

| Application No. | Proposal | Site Address | Date for Comment |
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| 21/02251/FUL | Two storey and single storey extensions to rear | Casa Mia, Strawberry Way West, Backford, Chester CH1 6PN | 11 October 2021 |
| No comments to be made but CWaC to be reminded of the need to retain access to the bridleway at the rear of the properties at this location | | | |
| 21/03108/FUL | Freestanding rear timber sundeck | Stoak Cottage, Little Stanney Lane, Stoak, Chester CH2 4HW | 11 October 2021 |
| No comments to be made – sundeck not visible from outside the property | | | |

(2) Decisions made by CWaC since the last Parish Council meeting:

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| 21/01700/FUL | Two storey and single storey rear extension and single-story side extension at Belvidere, Strawberry Cross, Whitby Lane, Backford, Chester CH1 6PH - Approved | | |
| 21/01934/TPO | Various works on various trees, including felling of Lime (T1), Oak (T4), Ash (T5) Beech (T6). See application form for full description of tree works. at Lime Tree Farm, Stanney Lane, Little Stanney, Chester CH2 4HT - Approved | | |

(3) Applications awaiting decision:

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| 20/04644/FUL | Conversion of existing outbuildings into 6 dwellings and erection of two garage blocks | Land at Little Stanney Lane, Stoak, Chester |
| 21/01494/FUL | Single storey extension to rear, first floor loft conversion with roof terrace, porch to front and modernisation to front elevation | Belden, Strawberry Cross, Whitby Lane, Backford, Chester CH1 6PH |

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| 21/01523/HED | Removal of Hedgerow to increase security at the Farm | Lime Tree Farm, Stanney Lane, Little Stanney, Chester CH2 4HT |
| 21/01530/FUL | Change of use of agricultural land to car sales and erection of a fence-retrospective | Lime Tree Farm, Stanney Lane, Little Stanney, Chester CH2 4HT |

21.80 HIGHWAYS, RIGHTS OF WAY AND AMENITY CLEANING

- (1) The addition of an 'S' to the Wervin sign had been reported to CWaC
- (2) The sewage on the road at Wervin had been reported to CWaC. It appeared to be coming from the Caravan Park. CWaC had confirmed that the matter had been referred to their Environment Team.
- (3) The embankment at the property on the corner of Croughton Road in Stoak was moving towards the road and was now covering the grid. The Clerk would report this to CWaC.

21.81 PLAYING FIELD AND NATURE PARK

- (1) It was proposed to combine grass cutting with a tractor/topper on the Playing Field and the Nature Park at a cost of £500 a year. It was RESOLVED that this be approved.
- (2) A new bus shelter was needed in Stoak as the current shelter was becoming dangerous. It was RESOLVED to look at alternative shelters.
- (3) When Scottish Power were doing some work on their overhead equipment they had damaged fencing. The Clerk had written to them asking for the fencing to be repaired but had not received an answer. She would attempt a follow-up.

21.82 PROTOS COMMUNITY FORUM

The Parish Council's request for funding towards the Little Stanney Village signs had been approved some two years ago. CWaC had been asked to approve the location of the signs to enable the Parish Council to order them. This had not yet been done and the Protos grant remained unclaimed. It was not clear how much longer the grant would remain available. It was RESOLVED that the Clerk should contact CWaC to ask what progress had been made so that the work could proceed and the Protos grant could be claimed.

There was still some grant money available for the current year and Members were asked to put forward ideas so that an application could be made to Protos before the money ran out. One suggestion was another two new Notice Boards, one for Wervin and one to be put outside the Village Hall.

21.83 THE QUEEN'S PLATINUM JUBILEE 2022

Deferred to the next meeting.

21.84 CONSULTATIONS

National Association of Local Councils (NALC) Policy Consultation Briefing: Local Nature Recovery Strategies: DEFRA had recently launched a consultation into Local Nature Recovery Strategies and how to prepare for them. NALC would be responding to the consultation in coming weeks and was seeking the views of county associations and member councils in response to the questions within the briefing, to help inform its own submission to DEFRA.

21.85 CHESHIRE ASSOCIATION OF LOCAL COUNCILS (ChALC)

- (1) **Annual Meeting:** ChALC's Annual Meeting was to be held on the evening of Wednesday 20 October at the Canalside Conference Centre, Middlewich. The opportunity would also be available to join the meeting via Zoom.
- (2) **Board Membership Recruitment:** ChALC were seeking self-nominations to fill one of the vacancies on the ChALC Management Board. Applications to be made before 20 October.
- (3) **Planning Training Sessions with Andrea Pellegram:** Three further virtual training sessions have been arranged in November and December. The cost of each session is £30.

21.86 FINANCE**Income**

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| 06.09.21 | CWaC Members budget-new Notice Boards Little Stanney & Stoak | 1,404.00 |
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Expenditure

| Date | Method | Description | Amount |
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| 28.07.21 | SO | Parish Clerk-salary July | 199.96 |
| 28.07.21 | SO | Amenity Cleaner-wages July | 329.34 |
| 03.08.21 | BACS | Amenity Cleaner-expenses July | 37.80 |
| 27.08.21 | BACS | Amenity Cleaner-expenses August | 37.80 |
| 27.08.21 | BACS | Parish Clerk-expenses August | 26.81 |
| 31.08.21 | SO | Parish Clerk-salary August | 199.96 |
| 31.08.21 | SO | Amenity Cleaner-wages August | 329.34 |
| 10.09.21 | DD | Information Commissioner-Annual Fee | 35.00 |
| 28.09.21 | SO | Parish Clerk-salary September | 199.96 |
| 28.09.21 | SO | Amenity Cleaner-wages September | 329.34 |
| | | Total | 1,725.31 |

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| Reconciliation: | Opening Balance | 20,360.30 |
| | Add: Receipts | 1,404.00 |
| | Less: Payments | <u>1,725.31</u> |
| | Closing Balance | <u>20,038.99</u> |

21.88 DATE OF NEXT MEETING

Tuesday 23 November 2021 at 7.00pm in Little Stanney Village Hall