

Little Stanney & District Parish Council

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Minutes of the meeting of the Parish Council held on Tuesday 23 March 2021 by Zoom Video Conferencing

PRESENT: Cllrs Mike Todd (in the Chair), David Astbury, Linda Carter, Paul Carter, John Glazzard, Roy Greenwood, Peter Hartshorn, John Jones and Judith Thomas **In attendance**: Mrs Pauline English (Parish Clerk),

21.14 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies were received from Cllrs Clive Lipscombe and Peter Mountford

- 21.15 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST None
- 21.16 PUBLIC SPEAKING TIME No public present

21.17 MINUTES

RESOLVED: that the minutes of the meeting held on 26 January 2021 be confirmed as a correct record.

21.18 PLANNING

RESOLVED that:

- (1) No comment be made on application number 21/00841/HHE Erection of single storey rear extension at Croughton House, Croughton Road, Croughton, Chester CH2 4DA
- (2) It be noted that application number 20/00398/FUL Two-storey side extension at The Forge, Wervin Road, Wervin, Chester CH2 4BP has been approved.
- (3) It be noted that application number 20/04644/FUL Conversion of existing outbuildings into 6 dwellings and erection of two garage blocks on land at Little Stanney Lane, Stoak, Chester is still awaiting decision.

21.19 HIGHWAYS, RIGHTS OF WAY AND AMENITY CLEANING

It was reported that

- (1) the garden of The Homestead, The Cross, Ashwood Lane, Wervin had been extended over the grass verge.
- (2) the roadsweeper drove through Stoak village regularly but never swept the road which was in a very poor condition
- (3) the barriers from the canal bridge to Bunbury Close in Stoak village were loose and needed to be repaired on safety grounds. This had already been reported to CWaC some time ago but nothing had yet been done.
- (4) Cars were often parking in front of the gate to the playing field at Stoak which caused an obstruction. White lines were needed to prevent parking at this location.
- (5) The Parish Council had been promised that bollards would be installed at the "gateway" to The Culvert, but these had not yet appeared.

RESOLVED: That these matters be reported to CWaC with a request that action be taken where appropriate.

(6) It was noted that the rodding machine had been deployed successfully to alleviate the flooding in Little Stanney Lane. A close eye would be kept on this area in the future.

21.20 PLAYING FIELD AND NATURE PARK

It was reported that

- (1) The Playing Field was still too wet to cut
- (2) Phil Davies, who currently undertook the quarterly inspection of the Play Area, was to retire in April 2021. The last inspection would be made during March.

RESOLVED: That the Clerk look for an alternative provider of this service in order to continue with quarterly inspections.

21.21 PROTOS COMMUNITY FORUM

The next meeting was to be held on 24 March 2021 (the day following this meeting)

21.22 CHESHIRE OAKS PEAK TRAFFIC MANAGEMENT PLAN 2021

A copy of the Peak Management Plan 2021 had been circulated to all Councillors prior to the meeting.

RESOLVED: That the Plan be noted and a representative of McArthur Glen be invited to the next meeting of the Parish Council.

21.23 NOTICE BOARD

The new Notice Board for Little Stanney had been put in place close to the site of the old notice board and was looking very smart.

21.24 BOUNDARY SIGNS AND PLANTING IN THE GRASS VERGE

Further to Minute 21.12(2) the Clerk had spoken to Stuart Bateman (Principal Engineer, CWaC) who had apologised for the delay in progressing the boundary signs for Little Stanney and the licence to plant in the grass verge along the A5117. He promised to progress these as soon as possible.

21.25 FINANCE

It was RESOLVED that:

(1) expenditure since the last meeting be noted, as follows:

Date	Method	Description	Amount
27.01.21	BACS	Amenity Cleaner – expenses January	31.05
27.01.21	BACS	Parish Clerk – expenses January	153.88
28.01.21	SO	Amenity Cleaner – wages January	322.40
28.01.21	SO	Parish Clerk – salary January	194.82
28.01.21	BACS	PlandMS – Play Area quarterly inspection	48.00
01.02.21	BACS	Signs of Cheshire – New Notice Board	702.00
26.02.21	BACS	HMRC – Income Tax	97.00
01.03.21	SO	Amenity Cleaner – wages February	322.40
01.03.21	SO	Parish Clerk – salary February	194.82
01.03.21	BACS	Amenity Cleaner – expenses February	37.80

- (2) It be noted that no income had been received since the last meeting.
- (3) the balance in the bank at 23 March 2021 be noted as £14,965.91
- (4) the appointment of Mr David Cooper as the internal auditor for the 2020-21 accounts be approved.

21.26 DATE AND TIME OF NEXT MEETING

Annual Meeting Tuesday 25 May 2021 at 7.00pm