

STANFIELD PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Stanfield Parish Council Meeting held on Monday November 14th 2022 at 7.30 p.m. in St. Margaret's Church, Stanfield.

Councillors present:- Cllrs I Thompson, L Walker, M Jenkins and R Duffield

Others Present:- Dist. Cllr R Hambidge, 3 Electors and Mrs G Hubbard, Clerk

1. Welcome and to consider accepting apologies for absence

The Chairman welcomed those present. There were apologies received from County Cllr M Kiddle-Morris.

2. To declare any Interests re items on the agenda

Cllr Jenkins declared a Personal Interest in item no. 5, Quotation from Mr S Jenkins.

3. To confirm minutes of the meeting held on September 5th 2022

The minutes had been circulated. Cllr Duffield proposed the Chairman should sign the minutes as a true and accurate record of the meeting, seconded by Cllr Walker and carried. Cllr Thompson signed the minutes.

4. To discuss any matters arising from the minutes of September 5th (not on the agenda)

Mr Simon Wood proposes to take the original planning application to the Planning Meeting at Breckland Council on November 29th. Cllr Hambidge had showed Mr Wood some pictures in connection with the Caravan site. There will, hopefully, be a meeting but the Police may need to be involved.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION PERIOD

Cllr Hambidge spoke briefly about the Caravan problem on Back Lane and hoped there would be more news after the meeting on November 29th

5. To discuss any Correspondence received

Quotation from Mr Jenkins for grass cutting during the 2023 season. Cllr Thompson proposed the quotation for £724.00 be accepted, seconded by Cllr Walker and carried.

The Clerk had received an email from County Cllr Kiddle-Morris to say that, due to personal reasons, he was no longer able to attend Parish Council meetings. He did state, however, that he would still be available to provide help, so could be contacted by email or telephone and would continue to send the Clerk information reports.

6. To discuss any Planning Issue

Updater on 3PL/2021/0274/CU Caravan, Bak Lane, NR20 4JA Change of use of agricultural and brown field land to residential caravan use for an extended Traveller family. A maximum of 2 static caravans and 3 touring caravans to be stationed on the land, on either a temporary or permanent basis (retrospective).

This subject was discussed under item 4 and Public Participation. A report will be submitted by the Parish Council for the meeting on November 29th.

7. To discuss any Highways Matters

About 20 yards down from the B1145 junction to Reed Lane there is a soak away without a manhole cover. This will be reported to the Highways Department. On the same junction but on the New Road side of the junction, the junction now has large pot holes that need filling. Plus there are potholes outside Cherry Tree Farm. These problems will also be reported to the Highways Department.

8. To authorise financial payments

Cllr Duffield proposed the necessary financial payments be authorized, seconded by Cllr Thompson and carried:-

Clerk's net salary for October-November £232.20 HMRC tax for October-November £32.40

Clerk's expenses for October-November £140.50 (inc. computer donation)

Mr Jenkins grass cutting for 2022 £716.00

9. To receive financial update from 3rd September to 14th November

No-one had any questions regarding the document.

10. To set the Precept for 2023 – 2024

The Parish Councillors studied the budget document and Cllr Duffield proposed the precept be set at £2,500.00, seconded by Cllr Jenkins and carried.

11. To allocate payments from the Fuel Allotment Charity Land account

It was decided that each recipient would be receive a cheque for £50.00 this year. Twelve cheques were issued for that amount of money.

The paperwork regarding the wood will be submitted by Mr Tasker to the Forestry Commission very soon. Hopefully there will be some news by the next meeting.

12. To formally adopt the General Power of Competence

The Clerk explained that it needed to be minuted that the Parish Council employed a Qualified Clerk, as she had passed her CiLCA exam and all of the Councillors were elected, so the criteria was met regarding the General Power of Competence. The Clerk had recently submitted to S.L.C.C. the module for the General Power of Competence and it had been passed. Cllr Thompson proposed the Parish Council adopt the General Power of Competence, seconded by Cllr Duffield and carried.

13. To discuss items for the next agenda

There were no extra items requested for the January agenda.

14. To confirm date and time of January 2023 meeting

The next meeting will be held on Monday January 9th at 7.30 p.m. in St. Margaret's Church, Stanfield.

There being no further business to discuss. The meeting finished at 8.05 p.m. and the Chairman thanked those present for their attendance.


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Chairman

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