

STANFIELD PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Stanfield Parish Council Meeting held on Monday March 13th 2023 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:- 2 Electors, County Cllr M Kiddle-Morris, Dist. Cllr R Hambidge and Mrs G Hubbard, Clerk

1. Welcome and to consider accepting apologies for absence

The Chairman welcomed those present. There were apologies received from Mr D Britton and these were accepted.

2. To declare any Interests re items on the agenda

There were no Interest declared.

3. To confirm minutes of the meeting held on January 9th 2023

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 January (not on the agenda)

Both Mrs Mary Jenkins and Mr David Britton have decided not to continue as Parish Councillors after May 4th. They will be thanked for their work and support, whilst they were Parish Councillors. The Chairman knows of a resident who is willing to join the Parish Council and there maybe one other. So the Chairman was confident that the Parish Council will probably have 5 members again after May.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION PERIOD

Cllr Kiddle-Morris will send out a report soon. Norfolk County Council council tax will be going up by 5%. There is a devolution deal for Norfolk and it is worth £20,000,000 for 30m years. Norfolk County Council has to have an elected Leader. He encouraged residents to have a look at the consultation. Some Parish Councils do not like the deal very much but others do. Voting will take place on this in December.

Cllr Robert Hambidge reported that Breckland's council tax bills will be sent out soon. He suggested residents read the information regarding the I.D. requirement to vote in May.

A pane of glass has been broken in the telephone box and Mr Jenkins is dealing with this. Highways problems were discussed and Cllr Kiddle-Morris said he would try to get these problems sorted.

5. To discuss any Correspondence received

A donation appeal letter had been received from Age UK Norfolk. This will be discussed at the May meeting.

6. To discuss any Planning Issues

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). Planning permission refused.

7. To discuss any Highways Matters

The Clerk was asked to inform Highways that the Parish Council would really like the groups cleaned out properly because, although Highways came to clean them out recently, they are now worse than they were before the auger came. The potholes down Church Lane still have not been dealt with, so they will be chased about this.

8. To authorise financial payments

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

Clerk's net salary for February/March £248.00 HMRC tax for February/March £36.20
Clerk's expenses for February/March £44.01 Norfolk Parish Training & Support £55.00
Mr S Jenkins (Glass Repair) £11.74

9. To receive financial update from 6th January to 9th March

No-one had any questions regarding this document, which had been circulated.

10. To receive an update regarding the Fuel Allotment Charity Land

So far the Parish Council has not received any news from Mr Tasker regarding the Charity Land situation. Currently the Charity Land account has as a balance of £407.10.

11. To discuss items for the next agenda

To adopt the end of year accounts.

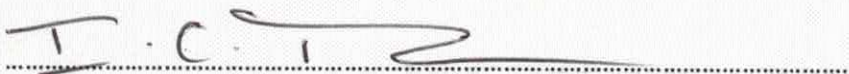
To elect the Chairman and the Vice Chairman of the Parish Council

To discuss the Litter Pick

12. To confirm date and time of May meeting

The next meeting will be held on Tuesday May 9th at 7.30 p.m. in St. Margaret's Church. This meeting will be preceded at 7.00 p.m. by the Annual Parish Meeting.

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



Chairman



Date