

Minutes of the Stanfield Parish Council Meeting held on Monday December 14th 2020 at 7.30 pm. in St Margaret's Church, Stanfield.

Councillors present: Cllrs R Duffield, I Thompson, L Walker and Mrs G Hubbard, Clerk

Others Present: 2 Electors

1. Welcome and to consider accepting apologies for absence

The Chairman welcomed those present. Apologies had been received for the absence of Cllr D Britton and Cllr M Jenkins and these were accepted. The Clerk collected the completed Covid 19 Health Questionnaire forms from those present.

2. To declare any Interests re items on the agenda

There were no Interests declared.

3. To confirm minutes of the meeting held on September 28th 2020

The minutes had been circulated. The meeting had been scheduled for Monday November 9th but needed to be changed to 14th December because of Lock Down. Cllr Duffield proposed the Chairman should sign the minutes as a true and accurate record of the meeting, seconded by Cllr Thompson and carried.

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

There were no matters arising from the minutes.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION PERIOD

There was some discussion regarding the distribution of the cheques from the Fuel Allotment Charity account situation. Cllr Duffield explained that it was not possible to distribute cheques this year, despite the fact that the land is now being let again. The new tenant has been granted one 'free' year as there is a great deal of work to be done on the land. The hedges are in need of great repair and the new tenant will need to pay out a great deal of money to deal with the situation created by the previous tenant.

There was some discussion regarding dog fouling and the Parish Council asked the Clerk to investigate the costs of various dog bins. She will also find out who would empty a dog bin and if there would be a cost to the Parish Council.

Although County Councillor Kiddle-Morris was not present, he had circulated a report which covered the Covid 19 situation, the Flu vaccine situation, the Budget from the Government and its implications, Grass Cutting changes, the Boundary Review and its changes, the Parish Partnership and the County Farm Estate, which is in excess of 16,000 acres. A copy of the report will be attached to the minutes.

5. To discuss Correspondence, if necessary

There was no correspondence to discuss.

6. To discuss any Planning Issues

3PL/2020/0925/HOU Buck Farm, Back Lane, proposed 2 storey extension, porch extension and alterations. This Planning Application has been approved

7. To discuss Highways Matters

Regarding the blocked drain, the Highways Department is going to replace the pipe with a bigger diameter pipe so hopefully this will cure the problem.

8. To authorize financial payments

Cllr Thompson proposed the following financial transactions be authorized for payment, seconded by Cllr Duffield and carried:-

Clerk's net salary for October - December £311.80 HMRC Tax for October - December £52.20
Mr S Jenkins Grass Cutting 8 Cuts £696.00

Mr Jenkins had sent the Parish Council a quotation for 8 cuts/strimming for the 2021 growing season. The price was £696.00 and this was the same price as charged for 2020. Cllr Duffield proposed this quotation be accepted, seconded by Cllr Walker and carried. The Clerk will let Mr Jenkins know his quote has been accepted.

9. To set the precept for 2021 - 2022

The Parish Councillors had been sent the Budget document to study. Cllr Duffield proposed the precept be set at £2,500.00, seconded by Cllr Thompson and carried.

10. To discuss items for the next agenda.

No extra items were requested.

11. To confirm date, venue and time of next meeting in January 2021

The next meeting will be held on Monday January 11th at 7.30 p.m. in St Margaret's Church.

There being no further business to discuss, the meeting finished at 7.55 p.m.

Chairman



Date

10/5/21