

MINUTES OF STANLEY AND STANLEY COMMON PARISH COUNCIL
MEETING HELD ON 19 SEPTEMBER 2017 AT THE VILLAGE HALL, STANLEY COMMON

PRESENT: Councillors: M Cheetham MBE (Chair), K Chambers V Harvey, T George, B Lowe, J Marshall, S Marshall J Mazilius, J Smith, Parish Clerk, Councillor C Hart (DCC), Councillor A Summerfield (EBC), Councillor A Stevenson (EBC), Councillor C Hart (DCC), 8 members of the public

17/171 Public Speaking

A minutes silence was held for Basil Thompson and Sam Kitchener, previous Councillors who had recently passed away.

The Chairman (Ellie Marshall) and Secretary (Carly Mellors) of the Pre-School gave details of a proposal for the development of a new preschool premises as a replacement for Stanley Common changing rooms as follows:-

Background

Stanley Village preschool committee have had numerous discussions regarding the most appropriate way to ensure that the preschool remains viable going forwards. We are committed to ensuring that we can continue to provide a high quality, safe educational environment for our children in the local community which remain affordable. However, our current facilities do not enable us to open fully during the working week, which means that parents have to find alternative establishments for 2 full afternoons. This is unsettling for the children and unsatisfactory to the staff and committee. We also want to ensure that our preschool can develop and flourish whilst continuing to meet the changing requirements of OFSTED, the Preschool Learning Alliance and all other statutory bodies/regulations we must adhere to.

The above is not possible in our current premises; therefore, going forwards we wish to explore other possibilities.

Proposal

The changing rooms located next to the park area on the field in Stanley Common are in desperate need or renovation/upgrading. We propose that the changing rooms are removed and a purpose built facility is built in its place that will include:

- a sports hall of equivalent size to the current premises
- kitchen facilities
- custom toilets for use by preschool children
- toilets for use by older children and adults
- male and female changing facilities with separate shower rooms. These should contain a concertina door and benches etc that can be folded away to enable the rooms to be made into a bigger room and used for other purposes, e.g. meetings, preschool, groups
- an office for the preschool staff
- extensive storage areas which can be secured individually for use by the preschool and other interested parties such as the local school and football club and accessed externally
- Adequate off road parking
- A secure outside area for the preschool children.
- The ability to "lock off" the area in daily use by preschool to ensure we meet our safeguarding requirements whilst enabling simultaneous use of the rest of the building by other appropriate community groups
- Two entrances to facility use by multiple parties

Whilst it is proposed that the building is primarily for the use of the Stanley Village Preschool, we are keen to ensure that it can be used by the wider community and its facilities are suitable to meet their needs as well; encouraging greater and better use of the field area where it is located. Other such community groups are likely to include:

- The local primary school
- The local football team
- Mother and baby groups
- Health Visiting/appropriate healthcare clinics that require a community setting
- Other local sports teams
- Parish Council meetings

We would plan to rent the facilities out to interested parties for meetings, functions, sports groups, scouting events, parties, etc as required at an affordable rate.

A project team has been established consisting of Carly Mellors (Committee Secretary) and Ellie Marshall (Committee Chair). Carly is a trained project manager. Both acknowledge that this project is not something that would benefit either of their children currently in attendance at the preschool but see it as a crucial piece of work to ensure the future of the preschool. Both have made the commitment to manage the project in its entirety until it is agreed by both parties that the works are complete and a suitable management team are in place to oversee the day to day management of the building satisfactorily.

Thus, a high quality, purpose built facility would be achieved which would ensure the future of the local preschool and provide high quality facilities for the rest of the community to enjoy and gain benefit from. We are requesting that the Parish Council consider this proposal and grant us permission to progress with this project. The project team take on all work required for this project. Regular highlight reports would also be sent to Council meetings to keep the group updated.

Next Steps

Once permission and support is received from the Parish Council we will:

- Carry out a community consultation to determine what requirements other groups have for the facility, with particular reference to the school and football team who already make use of the area
- Obtain architects drawings of the proposed building and surrounding site
- Obtain final sign off of the plans and proposal from the Parish Council
- Submit the plans for planning permission and undertake any other processes required by the Council etc to progress the project
- Complete extensive work on applying for funding grants to enable the building work.

Critical Meeting Dates

The next critical meeting date for the project with the Parish Council would be when the building plans are ready for sign off. The date of this will be confirmed once the project has been authorised and progressed sufficiently.

17/172 Apologies

None

17/173 Declaration of Members Interests

Councillor J Marshall declared an interest in agenda item 8 preschool proposal for SC changing rooms.

17/174 Approval of Minutes

To approve the minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on 18.7.17 deferred until the next meeting.

17/175 Exempt Items

None

17/176 Chairmans Announcements

Councillor Cheetham thanked Mick Robinson for some historical paperwork relating to the Parish.

17/177 WHFC requests and SC changing rooms

Councillor J Marshall proposed the item be moved to exempt. Councillors agreed to the request.

17/178 Preschool proposal for SC changing rooms

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17/177 Stanley Common war memorial update

No response had been received from the working party.

17/179 Village Hall Extension/Village Hall Management Agreement update

Nothing to report.

17/180 Play equipment update

Nothing to report.

17/181 Fallow Field update

Councillor Cheetham gave an overview of the fallow field options to date. Mr Braddock had offered to take on the responsibility of the fallow field as in previous years. This would include mowing the field and trimming the hedge in return for keeping the hay. Mr Colin Thomlinson had been informed of Mr Braddock's offer and has written advising agreement, commenting on behalf of the potential FOFF group, that the offer is likely to be much less costly than establishing a formal agreement between our two bodies. All Councillors voted in favour. An agreement is to be drawn up.

17/182 Working group representatives

Councillor Rhodes had emailed the Clerk to say she would not be attending any finance working group meetings on the 11.9.17 in response to the invite to the FWG meeting 13.9.17. Councillor Rhodes had emailed Councillors J Marshall and K Chambers on the 19.9.17 saying she had not received any dates for the FWG meeting contradicting the email from the 11.9.17. Councillor Smith offered to sit on the finance working group. It was agreed to re-organise the FWG meeting as the 13.9.17 had been cancelled due to apologies.

17/183 Christmas 2017

It was confirmed that the Christmas light switch on will take place on the 1 December. It was agreed to order the Christmas trees and installation of the lights as in previous years.

17/184 Meeting dates 2018

The meeting dates for 2018 were agreed as the third Tuesday in the month except in February which would be the second Tuesday at alternate venues as in previous years.

17/185 External Audit 2016-2017

Grant Thornton had reported that the Stanley Common Changing Rooms that had been gifted as a community asset should be noted in the fixed assets as £1 and not market value. The Internal Auditors report should also be reviewed prior to external audit.

17/186 Accounts

RESOLVED: That the Accounts listed below be accepted for payment. All Councillors voted in favour.

Type	Payee	Description	£
Bank Payment	L Storey	Salary/Expenses	376.04
Bank Payment	HMRC	PAYE	79.80
Bank Payment	Countrywide	Mowing	453.52
Bank Payment	R Arter	Litter picking	80.00
Bank Payment	J Smith	Keys	34.40
Bank Payment	L Storey	Salary/Expenses	387.05
Bank Payment	HMRC	PAYE	80.00
Bank Payment	Stanley PCC	EBC Grant	10000.00
Bank Payment	MRH Electrical	Defibrillator SC	225.00
Bank Payment	Countrywide	Mowing	453.52
Bank Payment	Playquest	Play equipment repairs	600.00
Bank Payment	S Waterall	Grounds maintenance	145.00
DD	Npower	Electricity	73.25
Total			12987.58

Monthly accounts circulated

Bank 31.8.17

276 50 2476.51

276 00 28602.61

TOTAL AT BANK 31079.12

Payments for September/not cleared 11225.37

Balance as per cashbook **19853.75**

Less expected spend to 31.3.18 **12753.30**

Estimated balance at 31.3.18 **7100.45**

Receipts

Bank Interest	£	1.06
EBC Rural grant for the Church	£10000.00	
WHFC Rent	£	470.00
VAT Rebate	£	400.95
Precept/Concurrent	£23122.00	

17/187 Planning

Applications

There were no objections to the following applications:-

- ERE/0717/0041 199 Belper Road Stanley common Single storey rear extension
- ERE/0817/0027 Stanley Hall Barn, Station Road, Stanley Erection of single storey double garage

Approved

- ERE/0617/0065 332B Belper Road, Stanley Common Erection of two, 4 Bedroom detached dwellings with integral garage

17/188 Clerks Report

- Following reported to DCC. Overgrown vegetation in the bus shelter by bridge cottage, Derby Road by Dale Road junction. Also issues around the bench area. Underneath/around the bench on Station road where the steps come down from Hurst Drive there is also a lot of vegetation. Rotten bollard at the side of the road around 2 Station Road Stanley. DCC have written to the landowner.

17/189 Correspondence for action

- Quote to top up bark on shrub beds from S Waterall £106.10. It was resolved to accept the quote.
- It was agreed to purchase winter pansies and fertilizer for Bulls Corner up to £80.00.
- Playquest £250 per site to treat the trim trail. To be dealt with by the recreation ground working group.

17/190 Correspondence for Information

- DALC circular 9-10/2017
- Agenda/minutes for Planning Committee, Wednesday, 30th August, 2017, 5.30 pm
- Website Updating - Forthcoming Holiday
- DCC Winter Service Scheme
- Vacancy for a Parish Councillor Representative on the Standard Committee of Erewash Borough Council
- Parish and Town Council Liaison Forum 21 September 2017
- Passing of Basil Thompson he was Chairman for many years and well known in Stanley village. The funeral will take place 15.9.17 11.00am Stanley Saint Andrews
- Community Transport Under Threat petition
- West Hallam medical centre flu vaccination clinic times
- West Hallam well dressings thank you for use of the bollards
- Agenda/Minutes for Planning Committee, Wednesday, 2nd August, 2017, 5.30 pm
- Minutes from 10th Ilkeston AGM held on 20th March 2017
- A609 Speed Limit Traffic Regulation Order
- Minutes for Planning Committee, Wednesday, 5th July, 2017, 5.30 pm
- Claim to add a footpath from Morley Lane to Stanley Brook to make an order to modify to a Bridleway

17/191 Date of the next meeting

- Tuesday 17.10.17 at the Scout Hut, Stanley Common 7.00 pm

Part 2 – Exempt Items

17/192 WHFC requests and SC changing rooms

A meeting with WHFC had been arranged for after the June meeting with the team managers and WHFC Chairman to discuss the arrangements for use of the pitch/changing rooms for the new season, however only the Chairman had attended.

The Chairman was aware that the showers were not in use and had not been used for some years.

WHFC began to use the facilities before a further meeting could be arranged and before official confirmation of a start date and team details had been received. During this time the changing rooms had been painted in WHFC colours/logo without permission from the Parish Council. The metal security door sheet had also been removed. WHFC were given 48 hours after the Parish Council discovered this to re-instate the metal sheet. This took over a week to happen during which time Bomon Construction were asked to do this if it had not been replaced when they attended to do the work that had been requested at the changing rooms before the start of the season.

The grass had also been cut without permission and cuttings dumped on the recreation ground.

A meeting was finally held on the 4 September with the working group, Chairman of WHFC and one team manager and assistant and treasurer by which time the football teams had already started and a number of complaints had been received about one of the team managers. It was discovered that the teams that were playing required shower facilities as laid down by the FA rules and again it was confirmed that the showers had not worked for many years and were not fit for purpose. Further to the meeting the following request from WHFC were made:-

- CCTV be installed by WHFC in return for an advertising board
- “Request for the Parish Council to repair the boiler, showers and legionella testing. WHFC would pay some towards the repairs, and possibly for the entire repair. In return for that we would ask for the amount paid to be deducted from the pitch / hire fees until it's been repaid. I'd also ask that we had the first choice of the facilities use for our clubs use, apart from the school.”
- Change to grass cutting schedule/frequency

Further to a detailed discussion the Parish Council agreed that they could not accommodate any of the requests:-

Increased grass cutting /grass cutting schedule, proposal to install CCTV/Advertising, boiler and shower repairs.

The Parish Council would not accept any liability for fines relating to the state of the pitch/changing room. It was agreed to give WHFC/WHJFC four weeks' notice from 20.9.17 that they would no longer be able to use the changing rooms/Stanley Common recreation ground for training/matches and the hire agreement be cancelled. Upon return of the changing room keys and changing rooms found to be in a satisfactory condition all monies paid for the 2017/2018 season would be refunded.

17/193 Preschool proposal for SC changing rooms

The Parish Council had no objections in principle with the proposal made under public speaking as long as careful consideration and consultation be given to the Parish Council at each stage. Councillors Harvey and Smith to be the working group liaising with the pre-school.