

MINUTES OF STANLEY AND STANLEY COMMON PARISH COUNCIL
MEETING HELD ON 12 FEBRUARY 2019 AT STANLEY VILLAGE HALL

PRESENT: Councillors: M Cheetham MBE (Chair), V Harvey, B Lowe, J Smith, Mazilius, C Tomlinson, Parish Clerk, 6 members of the public, Councillor C Hart (DCC), Councillor A Summerfield (EBC), Councillor A Stevenson (EBC)

19/19 Public Speaking

Councillor Hart reported that the fencing on Station Road has been inspected by DCC who said there wasn't a problem. A letter of support has been drafted to Trent Barton with concerns about the changes to the bus services. The Police & Crime Panel had met and an increase to the Police Precept has been agreed. Community speedwatch, Councillor Hart introduced Diane Cox and Robert Flatley.

19/20 Apologies

Councillors A Garton

19/21 Declaration of Members Interests

None

19/22 Approval of Minutes

It was resolved that the minutes of the Parish Council meetings held on the 28.1.19 should be approved and were signed by the Chairman with the addition under accounts for payment that a meeting with Countrywide is to be arranged. All Councillors voted in favour.

19/23 Exempt Items

None

19/24 Chairmans Announcements

None

19/25 Stanley Common changing rooms/WHFC update

WHFC gave an update on matches that had officially started from the new year by a junior team. There is no longer an adult team but an under 18s team. WHFC asked if it would be ok to paint the changing room floors and doors/frames. Councillors agreed to the request. WHFC queried the charges and agreement. Councillors clarified the agreement. Two games had been played in December and four in January. One of the December games was FOC as WHFC had cleaned the changing rooms. WHFC had brought a cheque for £120 for the four games in January. One game from December requires invoicing to WHFC. The request from WHFC to play adoc teams on the pitch is still to be discussed.

19/26 Replacement bollards Stanley & Stanley Common recreation grounds update

The builder undertaking the Village Hall work has offered to supply and install two lockable bollards. Councillors agreed to accept the offer.

19/27 Fallow field/Fallow field hedge update

The fallow field hedge has been cut on the roadside. The inside hedge is normally cut every two years. Councillor Tomlinson suggested that the hedge was laid in order to stop holes appearing.

19/28 Deer on A609

The Parish Council had been informed of an RTA involving deer on the A609. The Fallow Deer are now resident in the Morley Hayes Wood, originally they came from the Locko Park herd many years ago. Recently, numbers have grown from 20 -30 to approximately 50-60. They cross over the road to the Fallow Field to find fresh grass and herbage, they also venture up Kings Lane and over the old Club Room opencast site. It is almost impossible to fence them in as they are capable of clearing 6ft in one leap. There is an 8ft deer fence between Little Wood and Locko which is to try and stop anymore joining this breakaway herd. As there are no predators or managed culling their numbers continue to grow. Councillor Tomlinson had spoken with Andrew Allsopp who is concerned regards causing a major traffic incident and further damage to the ecology of the woods. It was recommended that he contacted the British Deer Society who could advise on what to do to overcome the growing issue. They really need culling back to a level that the woods can sustain without them looking for new territories and food. The difficulty lies from shooting deer whilst there are golfers on the course and walkers in the woods!

It was agreed to contact all the appropriate agencies and affected parties i.e. DCC, Derbyshire Police, Derbyshire Wildlife Trust, Morley Hayes, RSPCA, Deer Society to try and find a solution to the problem . All Councillors voted in favour.

19/29 Working party report regarding Pre School outdoor work/Pre School Request

The following report had been received from the Pre School. We have been in discussions with our preferred contractor who is also carrying out the extension works on the Village Hall, due to commence this month. We propose to erect a permanent fence as per red area highlighted in the diagram in appendix A to create an enclosed play area and resurface the area within this fence as previously planned. We would erect a fence as per the original plans with a fire safe crash gate and an access gate to ensure access to the small grassy area between the Hall wall and play park fencing. We would put a gate at the far end of the enclosed space (Village Hall main entrance end) which can be closed during preschool but opened if anyone wants to use the path for access. The latter will ensure that public access to the park is maintained at all times.

We would not be installing a new pathway from the carpark to the far gate of the play park or resurfacing any area on the outside of the new fencing as previously planned (original plans in Appendix b).

We have been quoted £9500 for this work which we would self-fund from our current savings that we have been trying to build up and replenish the savings for other preschool needs through fund raising etc. This would enable the works to start as soon as we can meet any requirements of the Parish Council and gain approval. We would ideally like this to align to the other works at the Village Hall to minimise costs and disturbances to users of the Hall. This would also minimise the time the children cannot play outside due to inadequacy of the current fencing arrangements and inclement weather.

We appreciate that this will not create as good an outdoor area as originally planned but believe it is the best solution given the issues we repeatedly face by being located within a Village Hall instead of bespoke facilities. Thus, we are taking a pragmatic approach to ensure that something fit for purpose can still be achieved and the children are not disadvantaged by the preschool needing to utilise a community setting. We hope that the Parish Council can be sympathetic to these challenges and see the benefits of the modified plans, voting to grant us permission to start the works.

The Chair requested assurances from the Pre School management, that they have sufficient financial resources to ensure that this project could be completed and not fail due to lack of sufficient funds,leaving the task only partly completed. The point being, the S&SCPC were in no position to provide a remedial solution should a short fall occur. The Pre School rep Carly Mellors agreed and assured the PC that they possessed adequate means to ensure the projects satisfactory completion"

The Parish Council resolved to accept the Pre School request. All Councillors voted in favour.

19/30 Countrywide mowing

A meeting had been held with Countrywide regarding concerns over the mowing, A credit note had been raised for £503.63 and the o/s balance of £1246 is due to be paid. There is one more season left on the contract. It was agreed to review the specification at the July meeting, ready to be sent out August for review at the finance meeting in December.

19/31 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	388.03
Bank Payment	HMRC	PAYE	81.40
Bank Payment	R Arter	Litter picking	103.97
Bank Payment	EBC	Waste	72.35
Bank Payment	Mr Christmas tree	Trees	186.00
Bank Payment	Leisure Lights	Remove Christmas tree	636.00
Bank Payment	Joe Rice	Treework	850.00
Bank Payment	Scouts	Room Hire	190.00
TOTAL			2507.75

19/32 Planning

Applications

There were no objections to the following application:-

ERE/0119/0027 White Hart Inn, Derby Road, Stanley single storey rear extension, new canvas sails to external drinking area and new timber fence to form bin store

Approved

ERE/1118/0009 13 Glebe Crescent, Stanley Erection of part two storey, part single storey extensions to side/rear, and alterations to roof of existing single storey rear extension (resubmission of application reference ERE/0718/0041)

19/33 Clerks Report

- Band concert booked 23 June 2019 Stanley Village Hall. It was agreed to make a donation of £40 to the VHC.
- Request to EBC to clear the leaves from The Glebe to Stanley school
- Request to DCC to clear the drain at Bulls Corner which is blocked. Cleared.
- Hedge encroachment onto pavement at 2 Hurst Drive and 1 and 6 Queens Avenue Stanley reported to DCC

19/34 Correspondence for action

None

19/35 Correspondence for Information

- DALC circular 1-3/2019
- DCC Cancelled parish and town council liaison forum 29.1.19
- Minutes for Planning Committee, Wednesday, 23rd January, 2019, 5.30 pm
- EBC Meeting cancelled - 24/01/2019, 19:00, Council
- Agenda for Planning Committee, Wednesday, 23rd January, 2019, 5.30 pm
- Erewash Borough Council Draft Statement of Community Involvement

19/36 Date of the next meeting

- Tuesday 19.3.19 at the Scout Hut, Stanley Common, 7.00 pm

Part 2 – Exempt Item