

STONEY MIDDLETON PARISH COUNCIL

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Unadopted minutes of the Stoney Middleton Parish Council meeting held on 4th September 2023

Present

Parish Councillors: Colin Hall (CH) (Chair), Angie Cottle (AC), Sue Bettney (SB), Karen Wood (KW) and Richard Brisbin(RB).

Parish Clerk Anne Flint (AF) and Responsible Finance Officer Barry Aldridge (BA)

Minute No		Action																
	WELCOME The meeting commenced at 18.30.																	
09.23-14402	1. SPECTATORS IN ATTENDANCE DCC Councillor Susan Hobson, DDDC Councillor Peter O'Brien, PDNPA Councillor Kath Potter and two members of the public.																	
09.23-14403	2. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE Parish Councillor Martina Hodgson and DDDC Councillor Simon Ripton.																	
09.23-14404	3. VARIATION OF ORDER OF BUSINESS There was no variation of business																	
09.23-14405	4. DECLARATION OF MEMBERS' INTERESTS No Councillors had notified the Clerk that they needed to register a declaration of interest in the member's interests' book.																	
09.23-14406	6. MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD 3rd July 2023. The minutes of the meeting on 3 rd July 2023 were agreed as a correct record. CH signed the minutes.	CH																
09.23-14407	7. AGENDA ITEMS TO BE TAKEN WITH PUBLIC EXCLUDED There were no items which needed to be taken with the public excluded.																	
09.23-14408	<p>8. FINANCE</p> <p>August 2023 Accounts Bank Statements to 15th August 2023</p> <table style="width: 100%; border-collapse: collapse;"> <tr> <td style="width: 60%;">Current account:</td> <td style="width: 10%; text-align: right;">£</td> <td style="width: 30%; text-align: right;">£100.00</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Community Account 1:</td> <td style="text-align: right;">£</td> <td style="text-align: right;">£7,970.86</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Community Account 2:</td> <td style="text-align: right;">£</td> <td style="text-align: right;">£9,142.25</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Total</td> <td></td> <td style="text-align: right; border-top: 1px solid black;">£17,213.11</td> </tr> </table> <p style="text-align: center;"><u>July & August Payments</u></p> <table border="1" style="width: 100%; border-collapse: collapse; margin-top: 10px;"> <tr> <td style="width: 20%;">Bank Transfer 11/07/2023</td> <td style="width: 40%;">Sue Bettney Reimbursement of Defib Pads</td> <td style="width: 20%;"></td> <td style="width: 20%; text-align: right;">£206.40</td> </tr> </table>	Current account:	£	£100.00	Community Account 1:	£	£7,970.86	Community Account 2:	£	£9,142.25	Total		£17,213.11	Bank Transfer 11/07/2023	Sue Bettney Reimbursement of Defib Pads		£206.40	
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Bank Transfer 17/08/2023	Will Brindley Village Grounds Maintenance – June & July			£1,016.32
Bank Transfer 28/08/2023	Derbyshire Dales District Council District/Parish Council Elections			£159.00
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	Bank Transfer 02/09/2023	Ashfield Effluent Services Attendance at Bath House to clear blocked outflow pipe		£286.00	
	9. FLOOD ISSUES				
09.23-14409	The Clerk reported the contract with Hydro-Logic to provide telemetry services in the brook along the Dale is up for renewal at the end of October. The Clerk has found it difficult to find alternative companies which offer the same service.				CH
09.23-14410	CH agreed to contact Hydro-Logic to ask if it would be possible to reduce the cost of the contract.				
09.23-14411	The Clerk has reviewed the telemetry text list and found there are a number of people on the list who no longer live in the village.				Clerk
09.23-14412	It was agreed for the Clerk to contact those who no longer live in the village to ask if they still require a text.				
	10. ALLOTMENTS/COMMUNITY ORCHARD				
09.23-14413	The Clerk reported the 2023/24 allotment agreements will be sent to allotment holders at the end of September.				Clerk
09.23-14414	The Clerk circulated a letter drafted by the Allotment Management Group for Parish Council Approval. Councillors agreed for the letter to be sent to all plot holders.				
09.23-14415	AC reported that apples are ready for picking in the Community Orchard. AC agreed to put a post on the community Facebook page.				AC
09.23-14416	The Clerk reported that Severn Trent hadn't been to repair the leak at the water metre and replace the broken grate. BA agreed to contact Severn Trent.				BA
	11. BATH HOUSE WOOD				
09.23-14417	The Clerk reported the Bath House had flooded during heavy periods of rain. Ashfield Effluent Services inspected the pipe, running from the bath house to the grid by the brook, with a camera and discovered it had collapsed.				Clerk
09.23-14418	It was RESOLVED (proposed SB and seconded AC) to ratify the decision made during recess to pay Ashfield Effluent Services £286.00 for their investigation work.				
09.23-14419	The Clerk has made a claim to the insurance company to cover the cost of repairing the pipe. The insurance company drainage team will attend on Monday 4th September.				
09.23-14420	It was RESOLVED (proposed CH and seconded KW) to pay the insurance excess of £125.00, if the insurance claim is successful.				
09.23-14421	The Clerk reported that the repair to the Bath House roof was completed on 1st September 2023.				
09.23-14422	SB reported that Paul Spooner and Andrew Buckley had pruned the silver birch tree in the Bath House Garden because it was overhanging a neighbouring property. It was agreed to send a letter of thanks to them both.				
	12. ENVIRONMENTAL ISSUES				
09.23-14423	AC reported that DDDC had cut most of the verges but not the verge on the corner of Trinkey Lane by the village sign. The Clerk to contact DDDC to ask them to return to cut this verge.				Clerk
09.23-14424	As part of SMPC's obligation to conserve and enhance biodiversity it was agreed for the Clerk to contact DCC for permission to grow wild flowers on a section of the verge on the corner of Trinkey Lane.				Clerk

09.23-14425	13. GROVE GARDENS CH and SB met with DDDC to discuss the options for bins in Grove Gardens. DDDC proposed: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Moving the bin at the bus stop closer to the chip shop entrance; • Moving the DDDC bin in Grove Garden to the chip shop entrance creating a station of two bins. 	
09.23-14426	It was agreed to ask DDDC to move the bin in Grove Garden to the chip shop entrance but to leave the bus stop bin in its current location.	Clerk
09.23-14427	CH reported the chip shop owner will put a lidded bin in Grove Garden to replace the DDDC bin and arrange for it to be emptied.	
09.23-14428	The Clerk reported the maintenance contractor will cut down the ivy around the bins and wall in the next few weeks as part of the maintenance contract.	
	14. PLAYGROUND AND PLAYING FIELD	
09.23-14429	It was RESOLVED (proposed SB and seconded CH) to accept the Playground Maintenance Committee Terms of Reference.	
09.23-14430	The Clerk reported the quote to replace the zip wire cable and traveller is £2010.60, which includes parts and fitting.	
09.23-14431	SB agreed to investigate other companies who may be able to provide a cheaper quote.	SB
09.23-14432	The Clerk reported that Councillor Hobson has offered £100 toward the cost of repair.	
09.23-14433	The Clerk has received a quote of £253.60 to replace the broken bollards at the entrance to the playing field. A discussion took place and it was agreed SB and CH would investigate an alternative solution to the bollards, which would prevent unauthorised access and be more robust.	SB,CH
09.23-14434	The Clerk reported the maintenance contractor will strim around the bins and along to the wall when he cuts the playing field.	
09.23-14435	It was RESOLVED (proposed and seconded) to ratify the decision made during recess to pay £20.00 for the removal of the zip wire seat and rotten bench in the playground.	
	15. OLD TENNIS COURT	
09.23-14436	Nothing to report.	
	16. VILLAGE PLAN	
09.23-14437	CH reported that during welldressing week residents were invited to put forward suggestions of people they thought may benefit from affordable homes being offered in the village. There were six names put forward plus other residents provided positive feedback.	
09.23-14438	The Clerk to contact DDDC for an update on the Housing Needs Survey.	Clerk
	17. GRANT FUNDING COMMITTEE	
09.23-14439	A meeting was held during recess with a further meeting organised for 6 th September.	
09.23-14440	The Committee have agreed to gain evidence of community support by seeking views of all children in the village about the type of equipment they would like to see in the playground.	

	<p>18. CLERK'S REPORT</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><i>(Standing Items)</i></p> <p>(a) Jacob's Ladder</p>	
09.23-14441	Nothing to report.	
	<p>(b) Highways Issues</p>	
09.23-14442	The Clerk informed that a resident has reported that during recent downpours water fountained out of the grate at the bottom of Dale Mouth. The Clerk reported this to DCC. The Clerk to contact Councillor Hobson to ask if she can obtain the report following the last DCC survey of the drains by Dale Mouth.	Clerk
	<p>(c) Village Maintenance</p>	
09.23-14443	The Clerk reported that the fence contractor is due to start work on the concessionary footpath fence on the 9 th /10 th October.	
09.23-14444	It was RESOLVED (proposed SB and seconded CH) to accept the quote from a local handyman to strim Dail Path (footpath 14) and footpath 6 off Middleton Lane.	Clerk
	<p>(d) Defibrillator</p>	
09.23-14445	It was RESOLVED (proposed KW and seconded RB) to ratify the decision made during recess to purchase new pads for the defibrillator opposite The Moon because, during a regular inspection, the indicator light was found to be flashing indicating the pads needed to be replaced.	Clerk
09.23-14446	<p>(e) Speed restriction report/petition</p>	
	The Clerk to organise a meeting between SMPC, Froggatt and Calver PC to discuss joint highway issues.	
09.23-14447	<p>(f) Community Speed Watch</p>	
	It was agreed to organise a Community Speed Watch session as soon as possible.	Clerk
09.23-14448	<p>(g) Parish Councillor Vacancy</p>	
	It was agreed for the Clerk to issue a Notice of Parish Councillor Vacancy.	
	<p>19. NEW ITEM: LOVERS LEAP VERGE PARKING</p>	
09.23-14449	It was agreed for the Clerk to approach DCC to ask if the Lovers Leap layby can be resurfaced and parking spaces marked.	Clerk
	<p>20. NEW ITEM: LONG TERM MAINTENANCE OF CAVENDISH MILL DAMS</p>	
09.23-14450	SB reported that Cavendish Mill is due to close soon. SB,CH and RB agreed to contact the site manager to ask for a face to face meeting to discuss the long term maintenance of the slurry dams.	SB,CH,RB
	<p>21. NEW ITEM: REQUEST TO USE THE PLAYING FIELD ON 10th AUGUST 2024 FOR TREK26 ALZHEIMER'S SOCIETY CHECKPOINT.</p>	
09.23-14451	It was RESOLVED (proposed AC and seconded RB) to allow the use of the playing field as requested at no charge.	Clerk
	<p>23. CORRESPONDENCE</p>	
09.23-14452	Correspondence received by the Clerk is circulated to Councillors prior the meeting.	
	<p>24. PLANNING APPLICATIONS</p>	
09.23-14453	Application Number - NP/DDD/0723/0865 Site address –Church View, The Nook, Stoney Middleton.	
09.23-14454	Due to timescales the response to the planning application was dealt with via correspondence during recess.	
09.23-14455	Councillors had no objection to the application and commented that on road parking is very restricted in this area of the village. Any provision to park off the road will help to ease the situation.	

09.23-14456	25. EXCHANGE OF INFORMATION OR ITEMS FOR NEXT MEETING There was no exchange of information.	
09.23-14457	26. CONFIRMATION OF NEXT MEETING The next meeting will be held on 9 th October 2023.	
	The meeting closed at 8.35pm.	