

# STONEY MIDDLETON PARISH COUNCIL

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## Unadopted minutes of the Stoney Middleton Parish Council meeting held on 7<sup>th</sup> November 2022.

### Present

Parish Councillors: Sue Bettney (SB), Lawrence Flint (LF), Colin Hall (CH), Paul Spooner (PS), and Angie Cottle (AC).

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

Minute No		Action
	<b>WELCOME</b> The meeting commenced at 19:00.	
11.22-13910	<b>1. SPECTATORS IN ATTENDANCE</b> DCC Councillor Susan Hobson, PDNPA Councillor Kath Potter, PC Linda Hancock, Special Constable Howsley and four members of the public.	
11.22-13911	<b>2. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE</b> DDDC Councillor Helen Froggatt and Parish Councillor Martina Hodgson (MH).	
11.22-13912	<b>3. VARIATION OF ORDER OF BUSINESS</b> It was agreed to discuss item 18(d) defibrillator under item 15.	
11.22-13913	<b>4. DECLARATION OF MEMBERS' INTERESTS</b> No Councillors had notified the Clerk that they needed to register a declaration of interest in the member's interests' book.	
11.22-13914	<b>5. PUBLIC SPEAKING</b> The Chair reminded those assembled that members of the public could voice their views, which were warmly welcomed, but that deliberations by councillors could not be interrupted or unduly influenced by public participation. These procedures followed official guidance on the conduct of Council meetings. At the beginning of each agenda item, members of the public, who had expressed an interest, would be invited to speak. No further contributions from the public could be made, unless the Chair invited comment, on points of clarification.	
11.22-13915	PC Linda Hancock reported the following crimes were recorded from 1 <sup>st</sup> October to 30 <sup>th</sup> October 2022 - One public order offence, a male was abusive to a member of public on park when asked to clean up after his dog. A burglary of commercial premises, bikes were taken. A burglary of a residential shed, bikes were taken. A complaint was received regarding inconsiderate parking near to the Lovers Leap works. PC Hancock attended and advised the foreman of works to ask employees not to obstruct pavement.	
11.22-13916	PC Hancock advised that trackers should be put on bikes which can aid recovery should they be stolen.	
11.22-13917	PC Hancock also advised that if inconsiderate parking by Lovers leap works continues to be an issue, members of the public should contact her directly and she will speak to the perpetrator. Vehicles observed by her to be causing an obstruction can be issued with a ticket.	
11.22-13918	PDNPA Councillor Kath Potter stated she had written to Robert Largan, MP for	

11.22-13919	High Peak, about the PDNPAs blanket ban on converting empty barns within the Peak Park into homes because he has responsibility for National Parks. Councillor Potter is following this up because she hasn't received a reply. Councillor Potter also stated she is alarmed by the number of requests received to fell trees within the National Park.																									
11.22-13920	DCC Councillor Susan Hobson provided feedback following the meeting with Sarah Dines MP on the playing field to discuss the lack of community building within the village. This is something Sarah Dines MP is passionate about.																									
11.22-13921	Councillor Hobson stated the A625 will be closed from 14 <sup>th</sup> November 2022 to the end of March 2023 to allow Severn Trent to lay a new water main.																									
11.22-13922	Councillor Hobson also reported that a consultation exercise for the devolution deal for East Midlands will be issued in the near future.																									
11.22-13923	Councillor Hobson advised that residents who have captive birds must keep them inside from 7 <sup>th</sup> November 2022 due to the increase of avian flu. Also members of the public are advised not to go near birds which look ill.																									
11.22-13924	Two members of the public asked for an update on the Community Building. They were informed that the Parish Council supports the need for a Community Building but must show due diligence when making decisions. The Memorandum of Understanding between SMPC and SMILE, a later item for discussion in the meeting, sets out the agreement between the two parties to allow the Community Building to be constructed in phases.																									
11.22-13925	<b>6. MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD 3<sup>rd</sup> OCTOBER 2022</b> The minutes of the meeting on 3 <sup>rd</sup> October 2022 were agreed as a correct record. AC signed the minutes.	AC																								
11.22-13926	<b>7. AGENDA ITEMS TO BE TAKEN WITH PUBLIC EXCLUDED</b> There were no items which needed to be taken with the public excluded.																									
11.22-13927	<b>8. FINANCE</b> <b>November 2022 Accounts</b> Bank Statements to 15 <sup>th</sup> October 2022  <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;">7,466.32</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Community Account 2:</td> <td style="text-align: right;">£</td> <td style="text-align: right;">10,068.99</td> </tr> <tr> <td><b>Total</b></td> <td></td> <td style="text-align: right; border-top: 1px solid black;"><b>£17,635.31</b></td> </tr> </table> <p style="text-align: center;"><b><u>October Payments</u></b></p> <table border="1" style="width: 100%; border-collapse: collapse;"> <tr> <td style="width: 10%; text-align: center;">1893</td> <td style="width: 50%;"><b>Hydrologic Services</b> Timeview Telemetry renewal &amp; Maintenance</td> <td style="width: 10%;"></td> <td style="width: 30%; text-align: right;"><b>£1,021.20</b></td> </tr> <tr> <td style="text-align: center;">1894</td> <td><b>A F Hibbert</b> Grove Gardens Repair and paint bridge supports Repaint and relocate bench on The Nook, by the meadow</td> <td style="text-align: right; vertical-align: top;">£222.56 £239.31</td> <td style="text-align: right; vertical-align: bottom;"><b>£461.87</b></td> </tr> <tr> <td style="text-align: center;">1895</td> <td><b>Hope Valley Tree Care</b> Bath House Woods Tree Work Grove Gardens Tree Work Concessionary Path Tree Work VAT</td> <td style="text-align: right; vertical-align: top;">£1,400.00 £100.00 £700.00 £440.00</td> <td style="text-align: right; vertical-align: bottom;"><b>£2,640.00</b></td> </tr> </table>	Current account:	£	100.00	Community Account 1:	£	7,466.32	Community Account 2:	£	10,068.99	<b>Total</b>		<b>£17,635.31</b>	1893	<b>Hydrologic Services</b> Timeview Telemetry renewal & Maintenance		<b>£1,021.20</b>	1894	<b>A F Hibbert</b> Grove Gardens Repair and paint bridge supports Repaint and relocate bench on The Nook, by the meadow	£222.56 £239.31	<b>£461.87</b>	1895	<b>Hope Valley Tree Care</b> Bath House Woods Tree Work Grove Gardens Tree Work Concessionary Path Tree Work VAT	£1,400.00 £100.00 £700.00 £440.00	<b>£2,640.00</b>	
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	1896	<b>A Flint</b> Clerk's salary 01.10.2022 – 31.10.2022      25 hours @ £13.48  Office expenses: space, lighting, heating, electricity, broadband and telephone calls; October 2022  Reimbursement of Costs 1 <sup>st</sup> September 2022 – 2 <sup>nd</sup> Class Stamps      £5.44 4 <sup>th</sup> October 2022 – 2 <sup>nd</sup> Class Stamps      £5.44 4 <sup>th</sup> October 2022 – Ink Cartridge      £32.28 <b>£402.16</b>		
	1897	<b>B Aldridge</b> RFO salary 01.10.2022 – 31.10.2022      10 hours @ £14.67  Reimbursement of Costs 15 <sup>th</sup> October 2022 – Wix Website Hosting      £93.60 20 <sup>th</sup> October 2022 – WaterPlus      £19.68 <b>£259.98</b>		
	1898	<b>St Martin's Church</b> Hire of Church for Parish Council Meetings January 2022 to October 2022 - 9 Meetings @ £35.00 <b>£315.00</b>		
	1899	<b>Harry R White</b> Stoney Middleton Village Gritting & Snow plough usage – November 2021 Replaces Cheque 1849 which has been lost <b>£270.00</b>		
11.22-13928	<b>9. FLOOD ISSUES</b> The Clerk had received a written report from Flood Warden Dan Hodgson – DCC drainage team have done a good job clearing the sump that takes water from the delph under the road by Eyam turn off; the team have been thanked. An update from Richard Ward regarding the Trinkey Lane work is also being sought.			
11.22-13929	<b>10. ALLOTMENTS/COMMUNITY ORCHARD</b> The Clerk reported the five vacant plots had all been re let. There were nine allotments still requiring payment and these are being chased up.			Clerk
11.22-13930	The Clerk has received a quote of £494.15 to prune the fruit trees in the Community Orchard.			
11.22-13931	A discussion took place regarding this and given the likely expense faced to deal with ash trees along the concessionary path it was felt the cost couldn't be justified.			
11.22-13932	The Clerk to issue an email to allotment holders to ask for volunteers to help prune the fruit trees and tidy the community orchard.			Clerk

11.22-13933	<b>11. BATH HOUSE WOOD</b> SB, PS & LF agreed to meet at the Bath House Wood to decide on an appropriate place to plant the cherry trees which were purchased to mark the Queens Platinum Jubilee.	SB,PS,LF
11.22-13934	<b>12. ENVIRONMENTAL ISSUES</b> LF reported that DDDC had cut the wildflower patch on Avenue Close verge. It has subsequently been established the verge is the responsibility of DDDC. The Clerk to contact Emma Mortimer DDDC to ask if the wildflower patch can be included in DDDC biodiversity scheme and be maintained by DDDC going forward.	Clerk
11.22-13935	<b>13. GROVE GARDENS</b> It was <b>RESOLVED</b> (proposed SB and seconded LF) to accept the quote from A. Hibbert to re-paint the gate and railings at a cost of £250.22.	Clerk
11.22-13936	The Clerk has received a query from a resident asking if the awning attached to the chip shop would require planning consent. Councillors could not provide a definite answer to the question. The Clerk to advise the resident to raise it with Peak Park Planning department.	Clerk
11.22-13937	<b>14. PLAYGROUND</b> SB reported that she and MH are making progress with the DCC grant funding application for funds to replace playground equipment.	
11.22-13938	The Clerk to ask for views from children in the village on the type of playground equipment proposed.	Clerk
11.22-13939	The Clerk to contact the resident who raised the request for outdoor adult fitness equipment if she can help advise on equipment type.	Clerk
11.22-13940	<b>15. PLAYING FIELDS</b> AC, SB & LF met with a representative from the football club on 26 <sup>th</sup> October 2022. The football club agreed to pay what is owed for the hire of the pitch, and it was agreed going forward that the football club would pay upfront for the hire of the pitch prior to any game.	
11.22-13941	It was <b>RESOLVED</b> (proposed SB and seconded LF) to reimburse the football club for the electricity used by the defibrillator since it was installed.	RFO
11.22-13942	The Clerk to contact the football club to ask if they intend to have the electricity supply disconnected to the hut.	Clerk
11.22-13943	<b>16. OLD TENNIS COURT</b> Nothing to report.	
11.22-13944	<b>17. VILLAGE PLAN</b> Nothing to report.	

	<p><b>18. CLERK'S REPORT</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><i>(Standing Items)</i></p> <p><b>(a) Jacob's Ladder</b></p>	
11.22-13945	The Clerk to contact Jason Smith DCC to ask if a team could clear the mud which has built up at the bottom of Jacobs Ladder and re-dig the culverts to help drain water away.	Clerk
	<p><b>(b) Highways Issues</b></p>	
11.22-13946	Nothing to report.	
	<p><b>(c) Village Maintenance</b></p>	
11.22-13947	SB reported DCC Highways have cleared the leaves from Dale Mouth.	
	<p><b>(d) Defibrillator</b></p>	
11.22-13948	Discussed at item 15.	
	<p><b>(e) Community Resilience</b></p>	
11.22-13949	Nothing to report.	
	<p><b>(f) Compliance with General Data Protection Act</b></p>	
11.22-13950	LF to liaise with BA and report back to the next meeting.	LF,BA
	<p><b>(g) Speed restriction report/petition</b></p>	
11.22-13951	AC will contact Calver PC and Froggatt Speed Watch Group to arrange another meeting.	AC
	<p><b>(h) Community Speed Watch</b></p>	
11.22-13952	LF reported that the proposal to share the purchase of the speed watch equipment with Calver PC will be discussed at their meeting on the 17 <sup>th</sup> November 2022.	
	<p><b>(i) Parish Councillor Vacancy</b></p>	
11.22-13953	It was RESOLVED (proposed CH and seconded SB) to accept the application from Karen Wood and for the Clerk to arrange for her to be co-opted onto the Parish Council.	Clerk
	<p><b>(j) Memorandum of Understanding between SMILE and the Parish Council</b></p>	
11.22-13954	A discussion took place on whether or not advice from a solicitor should be sought before agreeing the final document. It was felt the purpose of the document was to set out the agreements between SMILE and SMPC and it was not intended to be a legal document. Concern was expressed that without input from a solicitor due diligence hadn't been performed.	
11.22-13955	A vote took place to accept the Memorandum of Understanding without seeking advice from a solicitor. Four in favour, one against. SB asked for her opposition to the decision to be recorded in the minutes.	
	<p><b>(k) Industrial waste bins outside the chip shop</b></p>	
11.22-13956	AC reported a meeting hadn't taken place with the chip shop owner. AC agreed to organise a meeting in the next few weeks.	AC
	<p><b>19. NEW ITEM: VILLAGE MAINTENANCE CONTRACT EXTEND FOR 2023 OR GO OUT TO TENDER</b></p>	
11.22-13957	It was <b>RESOLVED</b> (proposed CH and seconded LF) to extend the maintenance contract for a further year.	
11.22-13958	The Clerk to ask the contractor not to cut the verge adjacent to Avenue Close and to take away clippings when the grass has been cut by the Bath House and the grass verge in front of the church.	Clerk
	<p><b>20. NEW ITEM: CONSIDER FLOOD WARDEN REQUEST TO ASK EA IF A WIDE SCREEN CAN BE INSTALLED ACROSS THE BROOK ABOVE ROCK MILL</b></p>	
11.22-13959	The Clerk to advise the Flood Warden to speak to the contractors above Rock	

	Mill because the bridge over the brook has to be extended. The contractors may install a screen at the same time.	Clerk
11.22-13960	<b>21. NEW ITEM: CONCESSIONARY PATH FENCE MAINTENANCE</b> SB provided some background to the history of the concessionary path and the reasons why maintenance of the path and fencing is considered to be the responsibility of the Parish Council.	
11.22-13961	PS to check how much of the fencing needs to be replaced and report back to the next meeting.	PS
11.22-13962	<b>22. NEW ITEM: DDDC PUBLIC SPACE PROTECTION ORDERS 2022-2025 SIGNAGE UPDATES</b> It was <b>RESOLVED</b> (proposed SB and seconded CH) to purchase three 'dogs on leads' signs.	Clerk
11.22-13963	<b>23. PARISH COUNCIL CHRISTMAS TREE</b> The Clerk to arrange purchase and delivery of a Christmas tree from the Longshaw Estate.	Clerk
11.22-13964	SB to contact the owner of the shop to ask if the shop electricity can be used for the lights.	SB
11.22-13965	The church is holding a Christmas tree festival and would like the community to be involved. It was <b>RESOLVED</b> (proposed AC and seconded CH) to purchase a small tree to decorate for display in the church.	SB
11.22-13966	<b>24. CORRESPONDENCE</b> Correspondence received by the Clerk was circulated to Councillors before the meeting.	
11.22-13967	<b>25. PLANNING APPLICATIONS:</b> Application Number - NP/DDD/1022/1306 Site address –The Playing Field, Stoney Middleton.	
11.22-13968	No objection to this application. Any adjustments to the plans that increase energy savings by providing more natural light will be advantageous. Also the move to cheaper external materials will assist in reducing the costs of the community build.	
11.22-13969	<b>26. EXCHANGE OF INFORMATION OR ITEMS FOR NEXT MEETING</b> It was <b>RESOLVED</b> (proposed LF and seconded CH) to purchase a voucher for Chris Tsielepi in recognition of his dedication during his time on the Parish Council.	RFO
11.22-13970	<b>27. CONFIRMATION OF NEXT MEETING</b> The next meeting will be held on 5 <sup>TH</sup> December 2022.	
	The meeting closed at 8.50PM.	