

STONEY MIDDLETON PARISH COUNCIL

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Unadopted minutes of the Stoney Middleton Parish Council meeting held on Monday 5th March 2018.

Present: Parish Councillors: Sue Bettney (SB) (Chair), Martyn Games (MG), Beth Ely (BE), Joy Fox (JF) Karen Esposito (KE), and Reuben Thorpe (RT).

Parish Clerk & RFO: Barry Aldridge (BA)

Minute No		Action
03.18-10854	The meeting commenced at 19:00.	
03.18-10855	1. SPECTATORS IN ATTENDANCE Councillor Kath Potter (PDNPA), PC Linda Hancock (Bakewell Safer Neighbourhood Team) and eight members of the public.	
03.18-10856	2. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE Parish Councillor Beth Ely (BE), Councillor Jason Atkin (DCC), Councillor John Tibenham (DDDC), Flood Warden Dan Hodgson and PSCO Anthony Boswell (Bakewell Safer Neighbourhood Team).	
03.18-10857	3. VARIATION OF ORDER OF BUSINESS There was no variation in order of Business.	
03.18-10858	4. DECLARATION OF MEMBERS' INTERESTS There was no declaration of Member's interests.	
03.18-10859	5. PUBLIC SPEAKING 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.	
03.18-10860	PC Hancock reported that lead from the roof of St Martin's Church had been stolen sometime in February. She asked that any suspicious activity is reported first to the Police before sharing on social media.	
03.18-10861	In response to a question from a member of the public, PC Hancock confirmed there was nothing stopping individuals from installing their own portable webcams for security.	
03.18-10862	PC Hancock also reported that a driver was also arrested in the village for drink driving.	

03.18-10863	Cllr Potter reminded Councillors that the Peak Park Parishes Forum / National Parishes Day was scheduled for the last Saturday in September.	
03.18-10864	Cllr Potter was also pleased to report that Sue Smith has potentially resolved the access issue to Meadow Footpath; subject to the Parish Council's satisfaction. JF reported that current access potentially allowed for a horse to enter The Meadows and the route was not a bridleway. Cllr Potter agreed to report this issue to Sue Smith.	
03.18-10865	Cllr Potter also agreed to report back on the following: 1) The pedestrian access gate at the entrance to Coombs Dale needed repairing (It looked like it had been deliberately damaged) 2) One of the wooden planks across the stream in Coombs Dale was rotted and needed replacing.	
03.18-10866	The Clerk will also contact Sue Smith to report these issues.	Clerk
03.18-10867	6. MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD 5TH FEBRUARY 2018 The minutes of the last meeting on 8 th February 2018 were agreed as a correct record. SB signed the minutes.	
03.18-10868	7. AGENDA ITEMS TO BE TAKEN WITH PUBLIC EXCLUDED There were no items from Part 1 of the agenda which needed to be taken with the public excluded.	
03.18-10869	8. FLOOD WARDEN'S REPORT Dan Hodgson was not in attendance. However, he had copied the Clerk into emails on the following:	
03.18-10870	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> An invitation to Mary McCann (EA) to join the SM Facebook group to understand the problems at Cuckold Delph 	
03.18-10871	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Enquires to EA on clearing out/dredging sections of Dale Brook 	
03.18-10872	The Clerk to forward latest correspondence to Councillors.	Clerk
03.18-10873	9. SMILE There was no representative from SMILE in attendance.	
03.18-10874	The Clerk had contacted Chris Tsielepi for an update on SMILE activity but had not received a response.	
03.18-10875	10. CLERK'S REPORT (Standing Items) (a) JACOBS LADDER Peter White (DCC) confirmed with SB that the consultation on Jacob's Ladder was likely to begin at the end of April '18 for around 8 weeks. He will contact SB when the consultation is published.	
03.18-10876	SB had been contacted by Patricia Stubbs of the Peak District Green Lanes Alliance (PDGLA), suggesting that the Parish Council should lobby the Peak Park Local Access Forum (PPLAF). Parish Councillors agreed that SB should:	
03.18-10877	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Forward a copy of the report outlining the case for a TRO to the PPLAF in time for their next meeting in mid-March. 	
03.18-10878	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Invite the PPLAF Chair, John Thompson, to walk Jacobs Ladder. 	SB

	(b) BATH HOUSE	
03.18-10879	Colin Hall, SMHCCG reported that the Bath House had been cleaned out prior to it being filmed for one of the Heritage Centre's promotional videos of the village. The equipment used to clean the baths had enhanced the decorative floor tiles.	
03.18-10880	Colin Hall also reported that the Heritage Lottery funded project was ending in August and some funds were available for signage and leaflets if needed.	
03.18-10881	The Parish Council agreed to a request from Anne Flint, Well Dressing Committee to open the Bath House for public viewing over the first weekend of Well Dressing - 21 st & 22 nd July.	
	(c) BATH GARDEN WOODS	
03.18-10882	The Clerk to contact Barry Nottage to enquire if there are any plans for the Village Volunteer Community Group to clear and tidy Bath Garden Woods.	Clerk
	(d) VILLAGE CROSS AND STEPS	
03.18-10883	SB has made an enquiry with English Heritage (through PDNPA) to see who registered the Village Cross as a listed monument in 1967.	
03.18-10884	She will also liaise with residents for statements to support a case to determine PC ownership of the Cross	SB
	(e) ALLOTMENTS	
03.18-10885	Comments from Allotment holders following the recent consultation had been circulated to the Parish Councillors prior to the meeting.	
03.18-10886	It was agreed that Parish Councillors would meet at 18:00 on Monday 12 th March at the Allotments to consider the points raised.	All PC
03.18-10887	An Allotment holder had reported concerns that their chicken pen feeders had been moved and placed inside the pen.	
03.18-10888	JF confirmed that the 2018-19 Allotment renewals are due to be sent out by the end of the month.	Clerk
	(f) INSPECTION OF PLAYGROUND & AREA	
03.18-10889	No issues have been identified.	
	(Ongoing and Outstanding Items)	
	(g) PARKING / OBSTRUCTION PROBLEMS; HIGH STREET AND CAVENDISH MILL ROAD.	
03.18-10890	The Police cones have been removed from the Moon Inn wall and replaced with two purchased by the Parish Council.	
03.18-10891	KE reported that a resident had raised concerns about inconsiderate parking on <i>The Bank</i> , especially when the Toll Bar Chip Shop is open and also, at other times, speeding vehicles. SB said that the planned repainting of the Advisory White Lines should help.	
03.18-10892	SB also had <i>20 is Plenty</i> dustbin stickers for residents to use in addition to the loan of the Parish Council's last remaining 'No Parking' cone.	SB
03.18-10893	The Clerk had put a note on the Parish Council website asking for cars to be parked considerately in adverse weather conditions to allow the local contractor to grit the village effectively.	

03.18-10894	(h) COMMUNITY SPEED WATCH PCSO Boswell had confirmed that portable display equipment can only be used as part of the Community Speed Watch initiative.	
03.18-10895	The Clerk to again put a message on the Parish Council website asking for volunteers.	Clerk
03.18-10896	(i) CONCESSIONARY PATH FENCE Chris Roome has failed to respond to the Clerk's last request for an update.	
03.18-10897	The Clerk to email Chris again stipulating a timescale for him to confirm his continued interest in the contract.	Clerk
03.18-10898	(j) EYAM DALE BRIDLEWAY DCC has confirmed the bridleway will be repaired in May/June.	
03.18-10899	(k) MEADOW FOOTPATH This was addressed under Public Speaking item 03.18-10864.	
03.18-10900	(l) MISSING SIGN AT VIEWING PLATFORM, DARLTON QUARRY PDNPA has confirmed that a mock up board in conjunction with Tarmac is being commissioned and there is a will from all parties to replace/update the missing sign	
03.18-10901	(m) SNOW WARDEN SCHEME & GRITTING SB reported that she had authorised the local contractor to grit routes around the village over the last couple of weeks.	
03.18-10902	JF suggested the grit bins require replenishing and SB will report this online.	SB
03.18-10903	(n) GROVE GARDENS DCC has confirmed that the skip will be paid for by the Community Payback project. JF will be contacted about the siting of the skip when the work is due to start.	
03.18-10904	(o) BOOT & SHOW MAKERS PARADE The Clerk reported that preparations are going well and SB had been forwarded a poster for display on the village Noticeboard.	
03.18-10905	(New Items) (p) ROCK MILL – VARIATION TO S106 Following an email from Colin Hall advising of a variation to the S106 in relation to the Rock Mill development, SB had spoken to John Scott (PDNPA). Although the Parish Council was not a statutory consultee John Scott was keen to inform Councillors of the variation as a matter of courtesy.	
03.18-10906	John Scott's view was that the variation gave more certainty to the development being successfully completed. Parish Councillors thanked Colin Hall for advising them of the situation and wished them well with the project.	
03.18-10907	(q) PLAYING FIELDS RT reported that during a walk along Coombs Dale he had found 'Dogs on leads' signs thrown under the hedge. This follows ongoing concerns about dogs being allowed to run on the playing field off lead.	

03.18-10908	SB had contacted DDDC about this matter. DDDC had supplied SB with new signage and confirmed that, as the playing field is covered by a statutory order, if needed enforcement officers could patrol the playing field but this would be charged to the Parish Council. However, residents could report incidents of dog fouling and dogs off lead to DDDC via their website. These details are published on the posters. MG expressed his view that the Parish Council needed significant evidence before considering next steps.	
03.18-10909	It was agreed that Parish Councillors would visit the playing field after their allotment visit on 12 th March to agree where the posters should be positioned.	ALL PC
03.18-10910	The Parish Council agreed to a request from Anne Flint, Well Dressing Committee to use the playing field to host the Fell Race on 26 July and a Family Fun Day on 28 July.	
	(r) WEBSITE	
03.18-10911	The Clerk had tried twice during February to contact Pidgeon Tech, the website host, to ascertain the services on offer and discuss a re-quote. There has been no response.	
03.18-10912	Following a second quote, it was RESOLVED for Isobelle Rodgers to design and create a new website for the Parish Council at a cost of £130.	Clerk
	(s) PUBLIC RIGHTS OF WAY (PROW) AND DEFINITIVE MAP	
03.18-10913	Councillors thanked the member of the public who provided very useful information on PROW and the legislation which states that any public rights of way which existed before 1 st January 1949 but are not recorded on the definitive map by 2026, will be lost	
03.18-10914	MG is attending a History and Mystery of Public Rights of Way course at the Derbyshire Eco Centre on Thursday 8 th March. MG to report back on information gleaned from the course to facilitate further discussion at future meetings.	MG
	(t) VILLAGE WATSAPP GROUP	
03.18-10915	KB reported on creation of a WhatsApp Group to report any suspicious activity around the village following a number of concerns since Christmas.	
03.18-10916	The Parish Council is happy to support the idea providing residents report suspicious activity to the Police first. KE will create a dedicated email address for residents to express an interest in joining.	KE
03.18-10917	KE will produce an article for the Parish Newsletter and forward it to BN for inclusion in The Link magazine.	KE
	(u) OTHER ACTIVITY	
03.18-10918	Wirksworth Town Council had contacted the Clerk looking for feedback on <i>Killingley's</i> as suitable contractors. The Councillors confirmed they have had no problems with their work in the past.	
	11. CORRESPONDENCE	
03.18-10919	Correspondence for February had been circulated to Councillors prior to the meeting. There was nothing specific to bring to the Council's attention.	

03.18-10920	12. PLANNING NP/DDD/0118/0082 – Gate Close, The Fold – Single Storey rear extension – The Parish Council has no objections to these plans.	Clerk																
03.18-10921	13. FINANCE Bank Statements to 15 th February 2018; Current account: £ 100.00 Community Account 1: £ 5,205.04 Community Account 2: £ 10,024.48 Total <u>£ £15,329.52</u>																	
03.18-10922	Payments: It was RESOLVED for all Invoices to be paid. (Proposed by SB and seconded by KE). Cheques were signed by SB and countersigned by JF	Clerk																
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03.18-10923	The Clerk reported that SMILE have contributed £263.89 towards the Playground insurance.																	
03.18-10924	DDDC have reimbursed £482 for 2017/18 of Playing Fields expenditure.																	
03.18-10925	£245 has been submitted to DCC for the 2017/18 Rights of Way Minor Maintenance Agreement.																	
03.18-10926	The budget was agreed for 2018/19.																	
03.18-10927	14. EXCHANGE OF INFORMATION OR ITEMS FOR NEXT MEETING SB reported that the Parish Council noticeboard was in need of repair and would contact Graham Pass to see if he could assist in repairing it.	SB																
03.18-10928	The Skip for Allotments to be added to next meeting’s agenda.	Clerk																
03.18-10929	15. CONFIRMATION OF NEXT MEETING; Monday 9 th April 2018 at the Wesleyan Reform Chapel																	
03.18-10930	16. PART II: CONFIDENTIAL INFORMATION No Confidential information was discussed.																	
03.18-10931	The meeting closed at 20:35																	