

STONEY MIDDLETON PARISH COUNCIL

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Unadopted minutes of the Stoney Middleton Parish Council meeting held on Monday 13th May 2019.

Present

Parish Councillors: Sue Bettney (SB) (Chair), Reuben Thorpe (RT), Karen Esposito (KE), Chris Tsielepi (CT), Lawrence Flint (LF) and Paul Spooner (PS).

Parish Clerk & RFO: Barry Aldridge (BA)

Minute No		Action
05.19-11690	The meeting commenced at 19:00	
05.19-11691	1. SPECTATORS IN ATTENDANCE PC Linda Hancock and 5 members of the Public.	
05.19-11692	2. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE DCC Councillor Jason Atkin, PDNPA Councillor Kath Potter and Parish Councillor Colin Hall.	
05.19-11693	3. ELECTION OF PARISH COUNCILLORS FOR 2019-20 The following Parish Councillors were elected	
05.19-11694	a) Chair - Sue Bettney (nominated herself) - unopposed.	
05.19-11695	b) Vice Chair – Colin Hall. Colin Hall and Chris Tsielepi (nominated themselves). The vote was 3 for CH and 2 for CT	
05.19-11696	c) Allotment Manager – Chris Tsielepi (proposed by SB) - unopposed	
05.19-11697	e) Appointment of Internal Auditor for Financial Year 2018/19 – Brian Wood (proposed by SB, seconded by KE).	
05.19-11698	SB thanked Martyn Games and Beth Ely for their contributions and service on the Parish Council. It was RESOLVED (Proposed by SB and seconded by KE) to purchase gifts for both Martyn and Beth at £30 and £10 respectively to thank them for their service to the community.	SB
05.19-11699	4. ELECTION OF PARISH COUNCILLORS Each Parish Councillor signed the Declaration of Office and were handed the Parish Council's Code of Conduct.	
05.19-11700	The Register of Disclosable Pecuniary Interests form was received from SB, KE, CT & LF. The clerk to forward to DDDC.	Clerk
05.19-11701	5. VARIATION OF ORDER OF BUSINESS It was agreed to bring forward; Item 27 - Signing of Finances Item 16(n) - Defibrillator Items 16(k), 21 and 22 – under playing field issues Items 16(b) and 23 – under Bath House issues	

05.19-11702	6. DECLARATION OF MEMBERS' INTERESTS There was no declaration of member's interests.																																											
05.19-11703	27. FINANCE (Brought Forward) Bank Statements to 15 th April 2019; Current account: £ 100.00 Community Account 1: £ 7,878.36 Community Account 2: £ 10,037.65 Total £ £18,016.01																																											
05.19-11704	Payments: It was RESOLVED for all Invoices to be paid. (Proposed by RT and seconded by CT). Cheques were signed by SB and countersigned by KE)			Clerk																																								
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05.19-11705	It was RESOLVED (Proposed by KE and seconded by SB) for The Clerk to obtain forms from Nat West Bank for RT, CH, CT, LF & PS to be added as signatories to the Parish Council account and remove MG and JF.			Clerk																																								

05.19-11706	16(n) DEFIBRILLATOR (Brought Forward) KE was awaiting costs from the Defibrillator shop in Tideswell. When received, this will be circulated to Councillors.	Clerk
05.19-11707	KE was pursuing the use of the Wesleyan Chapel for CPR/Defibrillator training sessions to address the lack of First Responders between Tideswell and Bakewell.	KE
05.19-11708	KE to ask the Ambulance Service to identify the most effective position for a second Defibrillator close to the playing field.	KE
	7. PUBLIC SPEAKING	
05.19-11709	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.	
05.19-11710	PC Hancock reported that in the last 60 days there had been 3 reported crimes; the theft of motorcycle, a road traffic collision and incident of road rage.	
05.19-11711	PC Hancock provided a supply of door signs and purple bells for distribution to residents.	
05.19-11712	PC Hancock reiterated that she was available to discuss/advise on any security concerns with residents. Anyone interested in a personal visit from PC Hancock to contact the Clerk.	
05.19-11713	SB was thanked by a member of the public for her efforts in reallocating allotment plots.	
	8. MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD 1ST APRIL 2019	
05.19-11714	The minutes of the last meeting on 1 st April 2019 were agreed as a correct record. SB signed the minutes.	
	9. AGENDA ITEMS TO BE TAKEN WITH PUBLIC EXCLUDED	
05.19-11715	There were no items from Part 1 of the agenda which needed to be taken with the public excluded.	
	10. COUNCILLORS WILLING TO CONTINUE AS TRUSTEES OF THE READING ROOM CHARITY	
05.19-11716	SB, KE, RT, CT, LF and PS were all willing to be trustees of the Reading Room Charity and a meeting after the October SMPC meeting will be arranged.	
	11. APPOINTMENT OF COMMITTEES AND SUBSEQUENT SUB-COMMITTEES	
05.19-11717	No committees or sub-committees are required but this may be revisited after future discussions/commitments in respect of a village plan.	
	12. GOVERNANCE STATEMENT; AUDIT OF ACCOUNTS	
05.19-11718	It was RESOLVED (proposed by SB, seconded by RT) to approve both the annual accounts and the annual governance statement 2018-19, which was read out in full. The Annual Governance Statement and Certificate of Exemption was signed by the SMPC Chair.	

05.19-11719	13. INTERNAL AUDIT OF ACCOUNTS The Clerk reported that the annual accounts had been audited and agreed by the internal auditor. The appropriate notice will be posted in June relating to the right of examination by members of the public.	
05.19-11720	14. FLOOD WARDEN'S REPORT In Dan Hodgson's absence the Clerk reported that Dan had been in contact with both DCC and the EA regarding ongoing work in the village to alleviate potential flood problems.	
05.19-11721	Dan had also investigated a further report of flooding from a resident on Old Hall Gardens. Dan's conclusion was that this was likely caused by tree roots damaging a water pipe in the resident's garden. He will try to assist the resident in identifying the cause. SB thanked Dan for his assistance in resolving this.	
05.19-11722	15. SMILE On behalf of SMILE, CT expressed the view that the 2006 lease agreement was a commercial lease and not a community lease and therefore, not fit for purpose.	
05.19-11723	CT also reported that SMILE had commissioned a schedule of work giving costings for a water tight structure.	
05.19-11724	Two members of the public asked for clarification on whether an elected councillor should be presenting the views of SMILE. RT also said that he felt uncomfortable about the situation. In view of this SB proposed the following:	
05.19-11725	1. All councillors to attend Code of Conduct training to help to clarify the parameters of the role	
05.19-11726	2. The clerk to then contact the SMPC solicitor for advice on whether or not the 2006 agreement is a commercial lease; and	Clerk
05.19-11727	3. If the lease is appropriate and the works schedule shows SMILE has the funds to complete a water tight structure; whether	
05.19-11728	4. It would be legally advisable to change point 2 of the agreement - sufficient funding to complete the works, to - sufficient funding to complete a watertight structure.	Clerk
05.19-11729	It was RESOLVED (Proposed by SB and seconded by RT) for the Clerk to arrange for Wendy Amis from DALC to deliver Code of Conduct training for all councillors, if possible before the June meeting. Cost will be £115 plus travel expenses.	Clerk
05.19-11730	The Clerk to also enquire whether councillors from Calver and Eyam would be interested in joining SMPC in arranging for DALC to deliver a joint 'Councillor Essential Training' session.	Clerk
	16. CLERK'S REPORT <i>(Standing Items)</i>	
	(a) JACOB'S LADDER	
05.19-11731	There was nothing to report from DCC.	
05.19-11732	A resident had raised concerns about the increase of trail bikes and 4x4's coming through The Nook citing concern for the safety of children playing in that area.	
05.19-11733	LF to canvass residents of The Nook to gauge when this route is used most by motorised vehicles.	LF
05.19-11734	SB to investigate the legalities of installing webcams, cameras and video surveillance in public places.	SB

05.19-11735	Residents were again reminded to report all incidents of anti-social behaviour or obstruction of the highway to the Police.	
05.19-11736	The Clerk to provide LF with the SMPC logo to enable him to produce an advert for the forthcoming Well Dressings booklet. This to encourage residents to sign up to the SMPC website/notification service.	Clerk
	(b) BATH HOUSE	
05.19-11737	CH hopes to have the glass in place for Well Dressing week.	CH
05.19-11738	Following a request from the Well Dressing committee, it was RESOLVED (Proposed by SB and seconded by LF) for the Bath House to be open during the first weekend of Well Dressings; Saturday 20 th and Sunday 21 st July.	Clerk
	(c) BATH GARDEN WOODS	
05.19-11739	The Community Payback Team will be undertaking remedial work including the removal of flag irises in Bath Gardens on Wednesday 15 th and Sunday 19 th May. Joy Fox was thanked for agreeing to meet the team supervisor to clarify the work that needed doing.	
05.19-11740	The village volunteers will continue with the remedial works after the Community Payback Team have finished their work schedule.	
05.19-11741	The Clerk to circulate Richard Claxon's 2019 tree report to councillors.	Clerk
	(d) VILLAGE CROSS AND STEPS	
05.19.11742	Adam Gould, SMPC's new Solicitor will provide the same service as his predecessor.	
05.19-11743	It was agreed to adopt RT's suggestion to install a plaque explaining the history of the Cross, once it had been fully transferred into Parish Council ownership.	
05.19-11744	The Clerk to pursue with the Solicitor progress of discussions with the Land Registry.	Clerk
	(e) ALLOTMENTS	
05.19-11745	RT was thanked for arranging an aerial photograph of the Allotments to allow for easier identification of plots.	
05.19-11746	The Clerk to liaise with CT in his role as Allotments Manager on outstanding rental payments.	Clerk
05.19-11747	SB & CT to investigate whether plots which are overgrown, are still required. The clerk confirmed that 6 people were on the waiting list.	SB/CT
	(f) INSPECTION OF PLAYGROUND & AREA	
05.19-11748	The procurement of the toddler seat for the swings in the playground was in progress.	Clerk
05.19-11749	The Clerk confirmed that the safety inspection of the playground by <i>Playsafety</i> was due later in the month and the report will be actioned upon.	
	(g) HIGHWAYS ISSUES	
05.19-11750	Two Data Loggers have been commissioned from DCC to monitor traffic speeds at either end of the village. One will be positioned by the layby and the other by the Allotments. These will be positioned shortly.	
05.19-11751	Concerns were raised about noise and air pollution along the A623 and also the increasing width of HGV's coming through the village. Recent developments at	

05.19-11752	Bradwell with mineral permits could also increase the volume of HGVs. It was agreed to await the Data Logger results before pursuing further measures. SB & KE had visited the resident parking her car by the old post office to discuss reported concerns. The resident had tried to find an alternative place to park without success. SB had also made enquiries, on behalf of the resident, without success.	
05.19-11753	The Clerk reported that a section of the High Street will be closed on Saturday 13 th July to facilitate work contracted by BT.	
	<i>(Ongoing and Outstanding Items)</i>	
	(h) CONCESSIONARY PATH FENCE	
05.19-11754	The Clerk to pursue the contractor for a start date.	Clerk
	(i) MEADOW FOOTPATH	
05.19-11755	No update had been received from PDNPA about the installation of a gate.	
	(j) MISSING SIGN AT VIEWING PLATFORM, DARLTON QUARRY	
05.19-11756	The Clerk to pursue PDNPA.	Clerk
05.19-11755	LF suggested that SMPC should produce their own sign.	
	(k) PLAYING FIELD	
05.19-11757	It was RESOLVED (Proposed by RT and seconded by LF) to reconsider the decision to block up access at the top of the playing field and commission work to put through stones into the wall to create a stile for walkers to use. This would still ensure that dog owners accessed Coombs Dale via the bottom of the playing field. SB to liaise with the contractor on the feasibility of creating a stile and ask him to ensure the fence from Coombs Dale into the Playground is secure.	SB
05.19-11758	Following a request from the Well Dressing committee, it was RESOLVED (Proposed by CT and seconded by SB) for the playing field to be used on Thursday 25 th July for the Fell Race and Saturday 27 th July for the Village Sports Event.	Clerk
05.19-11759	It was RESOLVED (Proposed by RT and seconded by LF) to charge Action Challenge £250 for use of the Playing Fields on 12 th and 13 th July.	Clerk
05.19-11760	The Clerk to ask the mowing contractor to confirm when the playing field is next due for a cut and to ensure the cuttings are removed.	Clerk
05.19-11761	SB to enquire with Joy Fox on the use of weed-killer following a report that weed killer had been used on the field without SMPC's knowledge.	SB
	(l) PUBLIC RIGHTS OF WAY (PROW) AND DEFINITIVE MAP	
05.19-11762	Nothing to report	
	(m) DRAINAGE ISSUES ON LAND ADJACENT TO THE CONCESSIONARY FOOTPATH	
05.19-11763	The Clerk to ask Dan Hodgson for a detailed specification of the proposed storm drain for the footpath.	Clerk
05.19-11764	The Clerk to also seek advice from Dan on flooding of the concessionary footpath above the trough (currently dry) on A623.	Clerk

05.19-11765	(n) DEFIBRILLATOR Discussed earlier in meeting.	
05.19-11766	(o) VILLAGE PLAN & OPEN SESSIONS To be discussed at next month's meeting.	
05.19-11767	(p) GROVE GARDENS MAINTENANCE The Community Payback Team will be undertaking maintenance work in the Grove Garden on Wednesday 22 nd May. Due to Health & Safety reasons, they may not be able to cut back branches hanging over the wall onto the pavement along the A623.	
05.19-11768	(q) VILLAGE BENCHES John Lloyd is carrying out necessary repairs to Benches throughout the village. The bench on the playing field has been dismantled.	
05.19-11769	SMPC expressed thanks to Chris Large at British Fluorspar for kindly agreeing to sponsor a new bench. The Clerk to source a composite bench as a replacement.	Clerk
05.19-11770	(r) OTHER ACTIVITY Nothing to report.	
05.19-11771	17. PARISH COUNCILLOR TRAINING This issue was discussed under Item 15.	
05.19-11772	18. PDNPA NOMINATION Ballot papers for nominations will be circulated on 3 rd June.	
05.19-11773	19. PARISH COUNCIL INSURANCE RENEWAL It was RESOLVED (Proposed by SB and seconded by RT) to renew SMPC insurance through Came and Company for £701.56 plus VAT.	Clerk
05.19-11774	20. SMALL COMMUNITY GRANTS Alison Metcalf via CH had suggested that a Birds and Bees project in Bath Gardens could be funded through the Small Community Grants.	
05.19-11775	The Clerk to pursue with CH.	Clerk
05.19-11776	21. USE OF PLAYING FIELDS FOR CHARITY WALK EVENT This issue was discussed under Item16(k).	
05.19-11777	22. USE OF PLAYING FIELDS DURING WELL DRESSING WEEK This issue was discussed under Item 16(k).	
05.19-11778	23. USE OF BATH HOUSE DURING WELL DRESSING WEEK This issue was discussed under Item 16(b).	
05.19-11779	24. PARISH COUNCIL PRIVACY POLICY The Clerk circulated a privacy policy statement, as advised by the Internal Auditor, for comment prior to adopting at the next meeting.	All
05.19-11780	25. CORRESPONDENCE The Clerk to recirculate the last two DALC Circulars 05/19 & 06/19.	Clerk
05.19-11781	The Clerk to register SMPC with the Ordnance Survey's free APGB Imagery under the Public Sector Mapping Agreement.	Clerk

05.19-11782	It was RESOLVED (Proposed by SB and seconded by RT) to purchase a copy of the Arnold-Baker on Local Council Administration 11th Edition; which DALC are ordering for interested Parish Councils.	Clerk
05.19-11783	26. PLANNING APPLICATIONS APP/M9496/D/19/3219940: Gate Close – Appeal Decision - Allowed and Permission Granted	
05.19-11784	APP/M9496/W/18/3209617: 9 Avenue Close – Appeal Decision – Dismissed	
05.19-11785	NP/DDD/0219/0127: Highfields Farm, Middleton Lane – Planning Committee 10/05/2019 – Allowed and Permission Granted	
05.19-11786	28. EXCHANGE OF INFORMATION OR ITEMS FOR NEXT MEETING CT to enquire whether The Moon Inn would be happy to have magazines for customers to read that are issued to SMPC such as County Life, Peak Park Guardian and CPRE.	CT
05.19-11787	The Clerk reported that Stoney Middleton Heritage Centre Community Group received the 'Highly Commended' award in the 'Best Volunteer Project' category at the Derbyshire Museums and Heritage Forum Awards on 3rd May. The Councillors congratulated CH and his team.	
05.19-11788	CT announced that Village Day would be on Monday 27 th May. CT to email the clerk regarding the use of the playing field on that day.	CT
05.19-11789	The Clerk to contact PC Hancock for further supplies of crime reduction promotional items to be handed out on the Village Day.	Clerk
05.19-11790	SB reported that the owner of the Toll Bar Chip shop has applied for an alcohol licence. The application was published on the Derbyshire Dales website.	
05.19-11791	29. CONFIRMATION OF NEXT MEETING; Monday 3 rd June 2019 at the Wesleyan Reform Chapel subject to Code of Conduct Training being arranged for same evening.	Clerk
05.19-11792	30. PART II: CONFIDENTIAL INFORMATION No Confidential information was discussed.	
05.19-11793	The meeting closed at 21:45	