

STONEY MIDDLETON PARISH COUNCIL

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Unadopted minutes of the Stoney Middleton Parish Council meeting held on Monday 4th November 2019.

Present

Parish Councillors: Sue Bettney (SB) (Chair), Lawrence Flint (LF), Colin Hall (CH) and Paul Spooner (PS),
Parish Clerk & RFO: Barry Aldridge (BA)

Minute No		Action
	The meeting commenced at 19:00	
11.19-12085	1. SPECTATORS IN ATTENDANCE 2 members of the Public.	
11.19-12086	2. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE DCC Councillor Jason Atkin, PDNPA Councillor Kath Potter, Parish Councillors Karen Esposito (KE), Reuben Thorpe (RT) and Chris Tsielepi (CT) and PC Linda Hancock	
11.19-12087	3. VARIATION OF ORDER OF BUSINESS There was no variation in order of business	
11.19-12088	4. DECLARATION OF MEMBERS' INTERESTS No Councillors signed the declaration of member's interests' book	
11.19-12089	5. PUBLIC SPEAKING The Chair reminded those assembled that members of the public could voice their views, 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.	
11.19-12090	6. MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 7th OCTOBER 2019 The minutes of the last meeting on 7 th October 2019 were agreed as a correct record. SB signed the minutes.	
11.19-12091	7. AGENDA ITEMS TO BE TAKEN WITH PUBLIC EXCLUDED There were no items from the agenda which needed to be taken with the public excluded.	
11.19-12092	8. FLOOD WARDEN'S REPORT The clerk reported that Dan Hodgson had been in touch with the Environment Agency about the outstanding dredging work and also recent flooding in The Nook from Moorwood Sough. It was suspected that the chamber was blocked under The Nook, possibly by tree roots, due to a lack of regular inspection and maintenance.	

11.19-12093	LF will pursue possibilities with Dan Hodgson on a potential flood WhatsApp group	
11.19-12094	LF will raise with DCC the need to channel the bottom of Jacobs Ladder at an angle to help with water drainage. He will forward the incident number to the clerk to pursue with the Highways Hub.	LF LF
11.19-12095	9. NEW ITEM – VILLAGE MAINTENANCE CONTRACT TENDER It was RESOLVED (proposed by SB and seconded by CH) to split the Village Maintenance into two lots; the playing field and verges, and community spaces.	Clerk SB
11.19-12096	The village maintenance contract will be redrafted and circulated to Councillors for agreement before publishing to interested parties and in the Peak Advertiser.	
11.19-12097	Any charge for use of the playing field to be considered once tender prices have been received.	
11.19-12098	SB to enquire with Land Registry who owns the verge in front of Lime Kiln Cottages.	
11.19-12099	DCC responsibilities regarding grass cutting to be addressed at the next meeting.	
11.19-12100	10. NEW ITEM – DECOMMISSIONING THE TELEPHONE BOX IN THE DALE It was RESOLVED (proposed by CH and seconded by LF) not to challenge BT's proposals to decommission the telephone box in the Dale and instead take advantage of their offer to adopt it for £1, for community use.	Clerk
11.19-12101	The clerk to enquire whether the existing telephone box can be replaced with the more traditional red 'heritage' box and the costs associated in doing so.	Clerk
11.19-12102	11. NEW ITEM – TELEMETRY ALARM CREDITS The clerk to use SMPC's email contact list to enquire if any further residents, living in houses at risk of flooding, would like to be added to the Timeview text notification system.	Clerk
11.19-12103	12. NEW ITEM – BUS 66/66A WITHDRAWAL Due to concerted lobbying by parish and district councils, including SMPC, and by residents living along the route, alternative arrangements have been put in place to ensure the continuation of a bus service between Buxton and Chesterfield	
11.19-12104	13. CHRISTMAS ARRANGEMENTS It was RESOLVED (proposed by CH and seconded by SB) to purchase the village Christmas Tree from the National Trust at Longshaw Estate.	Clerk
11.19-12105	SB to notify Dan Esposito who will put up the tree and identify a delivery address.	SB
11.19-12106	14. CLERK'S REPORT <i>(Standing Items)</i> (a) JACOB'S LADDER The clerk had made enquiries with DCC about the correct signage for the top and bottom of Jacobs Ladder.	Clerk
11.19-12107	The Police have put a sign at the top of Jacobs Ladder regarding illegal motorbike use to match the one at the bottom.	
11.19-12108	A resident reported that although the volume of traffic using Jacobs Ladder may have decreased there seemed to be a number of motorcyclists still using it who share images and comments on a Facebook page. The clerk to contact PC Hancock and Derbyshire County Council for further advice.	

11.19-12109	(b) BATH HOUSE CH is arranging for the glass panes to be collected and installed.	CH
11.19-12110	(c) BATH GARDEN WOODS The rebuilding of the retaining wall arch above the stream should be completed, weather permitting, by the end of the year.	
11.19-12111	The clerk has been contacted by the Community Payback Team who would be interested in any future projects SMPC may have.	
11.19-12112	(d) VILLAGE CROSS AND STEPS The SMPC solicitor is obtaining an up to date copy of the Land Charges Search and Index Map to deal with Land Registry requirements.	
11.19-12113	(e) ALLOTMENTS It was clarified that the change in allotment renewal dates will take effect from 1 st October 2020.	Clerk
11.19-12114	CT to advise whether he has liaised with Martyn Games to turn the water off at the Allotments.	CT
11.19-12115	CT to provide the clerk with a specification of the work needed to remove the Willow tree stump to enable Councillors to make a decision about funding the work.	CT
11.19-12116	(f) INSPECTION OF PLAYGROUND & AREA Nothing to report	
11.19-12117	(g) HIGHWAYS ISSUES DCC is investigating whether it's their responsibility to cut back the vegetation obscuring the 30mph sign coming into the village (from Calver) and the branches reducing the LED Lighting along A623 or the responsibility of landowners.	
11.19-12118	PC Hancock has confirmed that the South Yorkshire Police off road team were patrolling in the vicinity of Black Harry Lane during September.	
11.19-12119	A walk along the A623 from the playing field to Lover's Leap car park, to identify possible traffic calming solutions, has been arranged for 11 th November.	All
11.19-12120	A joint meeting with Calver Parish Council on the possibility of reducing the speed limit from 40mph to 30mph through and between both villages, to be arranged for 25 th November.	SB
11.19-12121	LF & SB are meeting a representative from DDDC to discuss opportunities to create wildflower areas in the village.	LF / SB
11.19-12122	(h) COMMUNITY BUILDING The clerk had met with DALC to explore Public Loan and repayment arrangements in respect of funding major projects. He was waiting for DALC to clarify a number of points.	
11.19-12123	The clerk to circulate the NALC public borrowing guidance for information.	Clerk
	<i>(Ongoing and Outstanding Items)</i>	
11.19-12124	(i) MEADOW FIELDS GATE The gate has now been installed.	

	(j) PLAYING FIELD	
11.19-12125	The clerk has applied for and received £300 from DDDC's Local Projects fund to fund the Playing Field sign. It was RESOLVED (proposed by SB and seconded by LF) for CH to arrange for the inserts to be printed and costs reimbursed, once the structure has been made.	CH
11.19-12126	RT to arranging for a Cat and Genny scan to identify pipe locations week beginning 04/11/2019.	RT
11.19-12127	The Coombs Dale wall should be rebuilt with through stones by the end of the year.	
11.19-12128	SB to explore the possibility of installing a family friendly access point from Coombs Dale direct to the playground.	SB
11.19-12129	SB is waiting to hear from Tarmac in respect of a community application for the company to provide up to 25 'pop stones' for edging the car park.	
11.19-12130	The clerk to email the owner of the camper van parked on the playing field to explain that overnight parking is not allowed.	Clerk
11.19-12131	It was RESOLVED (proposed by SB and seconded by CH) to accept the Letter of Understanding (LOU) from Action Challenge on the use of the Playing Fields for the Peak Challenge event on 3 rd & 4 th July. The LOU to be circulated to Councillors	Clerk
11.19-12132	PS will be at the playing field on 6 th November to receive and place the new bench donated by British Fluorspar	PS
	(k) DRAINAGE ISSUES ON LAND ADJACENT TO THE CONCESSIONARY FOOTPATH	
11.19-12133	The clerk is waiting for a quote on the revised storm drain design.	
	(l) DEFIBRILLATOR	
11.19-12134	KE is arranging a new Basic Life Support and Defibrillator training date following the cancelled October session.	KE
	(m) PARISH COUNCIL VILLAGE PLAN & STATEMENT	
11.19-12135	CH to liaise with the PDNPA on funding for printing and delivering the village plan to all households in Stoney Middleton in the New Year for consultation and refinement in readiness for a public meeting.	CH
	(n) VILLAGE MAINTENANCE	
11.19-12136	LF has strimmed the nettles around the Artist's Seat in The Nook. PS is progressing images for the Bus Shelters.	PS
	(o) DERBYSHIRE POPPY APPEAL	
11.19-12137	SB & PS have attached 40 Poppies to lampposts around the village. 10 more poppies will be ordered for next year. The clerk to inform DCC of the reference numbers of the lampposts used.	Clerk
	(p) GRIT BINS & SNOW WARDEN SCHEME	
11.19-12138	The clerk will circulate participation and consent forms for Parish Councillors to sign. Grit delivery and Risk Assessment form to be completed and returned to DCC	Clerk
	(q) OTHER ACTIVITY	

11.19-12139	No other activity to report																																					
11.19-12140	<p>15. CORRESPONDENCE</p> <p>Correspondence received by the clerk had been circulated to Councillors prior to the meeting. This included;</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The withdrawal of service 66 - discussed under item 12. • Emails in respect of dealing with Himalayan Balsam – SMPC thank all for their feedback and comments. • A complaint regarding overnight parking on the playing field - discussed under item 14j. 																																					
11.19-12141	<p>16. PLANNING APPLICATIONS</p> <p>The clerk reported that the extension to the Wesleyan Chapel had been approved.</p>																																					
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11.19-12143	<p>Payments:</p> <p>It was RESOLVED for all Invoices to be paid. (Proposed by LF and seconded by CH). Cheques were signed by SB and countersigned by KE after the meeting.</p> <table border="1"> <thead> <tr> <th></th> <th colspan="2">Payments</th> <th>Total</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>1717</td> <td colspan="2">Wesleyan Reform Chapel (Rental payment) Parish Council Meeting – 4th November 2019</td> <td>£35.00</td> </tr> <tr> <td>1718</td> <td>B Aldridge Clerk's salary 01.10.19 – 31.10.19 34 hours @ £13.15</td> <td>£447.10</td> <td></td> </tr> <tr> <td></td> <td>Office expenses: space, lighting, heating, electricity, broadband and telephone calls – October 2019</td> <td>£22.00</td> <td></td> </tr> <tr> <td></td> <td>Reimbursement for Annual Website Renewal through Wix</td> <td>£86.40</td> <td>£555.50</td> </tr> <tr> <td>1719</td> <td colspan="2">Hydrologic Services Timeview Telemetry renewal</td> <td>£810.00</td> </tr> <tr> <td>1720</td> <td colspan="2">Steve Bond Boot & Shoe Makers Plaque</td> <td>£100.00</td> </tr> <tr> <td>1721</td> <td colspan="2">LA Landscaping Services Village Grounds Maintenance</td> <td>£1,080.00</td> </tr> <tr> <td>1722</td> <td colspan="2">Royal British Legion Poppies for Lamp-posts</td> <td>£150.00</td> </tr> </tbody> </table>		Payments		Total	1717	Wesleyan Reform Chapel (Rental payment) Parish Council Meeting – 4 th November 2019		£35.00	1718	B Aldridge Clerk's salary 01.10.19 – 31.10.19 34 hours @ £13.15	£447.10			Office expenses: space, lighting, heating, electricity, broadband and telephone calls – October 2019	£22.00			Reimbursement for Annual Website Renewal through Wix	£86.40	£555.50	1719	Hydrologic Services Timeview Telemetry renewal		£810.00	1720	Steve Bond Boot & Shoe Makers Plaque		£100.00	1721	LA Landscaping Services Village Grounds Maintenance		£1,080.00	1722	Royal British Legion Poppies for Lamp-posts		£150.00	
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	1723	Paul Spooner Reimbursement of Security Parking Posts - 2@£9.99		£19.98	
11.19-12144	SB reported that Nat West Bank had cancelled the form to add new Parish Councillors as signatories to the account due to time lapse and a change in ID verification requirements. The clerk to resubmit electronically following scanned information being provided by Councillors.				Clerk
11.19-12145	18. EXCHANGE OF INFORMATION OR ITEMS FOR NEXT MEETING It was agreed to put on December's agenda the possibilities of a dedicated Parish Council mobile phone and creation of a Parish Council Facebook page.				
11.19-12146	19. CONFIRMATION OF NEXT MEETING; Monday 2 nd December 2019 at the Wesleyan Reform Chapel.				
11.19-12147	The meeting closed at 21:15				