

STANTON LACY PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of Stanton Lacy Parish Council at 7.30pm on
Thursday 18th November 2021 at Stanton Lacy Village Hall

Present: Chair Cllr M Finch, Cllrs R Gatehouse, P Parker, C Redman, and P Williams. **In Attendance:** Cllr C Motley, Shropshire Council, H Coonick Clerk/RFO

MINUTES

1. **Apologies for absence:** Cllr E Gatehouse and P Jones
2. **Declarations of Interest and Dispensations:** None
3. **Public involvement session.** None
4. **The minutes of the ordinary meeting on the 16th September, 2021** were approved and signed. Prop Cllr Parker 2nd Cllr Gatehouse
5. **Resignation of Councillor and Co-option:** Claire Radnor has resigned from the council. Cllr Finch thanked her for the last four years. The notice of a vacancy has been published and the period of notice ends on the 24th November after which the council can co-opt. It was decided to circulate a letter to all households notifying them of the vacancy and how to apply.
6. **Appoint a Financial Checker:** Cllr Parker will take over as Internal Checker.
7. **Finance:**
 - a. The finance report/ bank reconciliation was approved and signed. Prop Cllr Redman 2nd Cllr Williams
 - b. Payment to D Lewis (Environmental Maintenance) Invoices 88, 95 and 99 totalling £210 were authorised. Up to £147 will be used to fund the mail out regarding co-option. Prop Cllr Finch 2nd Cllr Williams
 - c. The Draft Budget was reviewed and is expected to be adopted and the precept set at the next meeting.
8. **Reports From Representatives:**
 - a. Shropshire Council - Cllr Cecilia Motley reported that the Covid infection rate for the area is the highest in the West Midlands. The Council is struggling to set a budget and have decided not to seek a referendum. The Council leader has discussed the funding issues experienced by Shropshire with Michael Gove. She is in communication with Steve Smith (Assistant Director of Infrastructure) regarding the benefits of the Environmental Maintenance Grant. The Health and Wellbeing Board are inviting the Ambulance Service to update them. Cllr Motley is holding a meeting with Corvedale Parish Council chairs and clerks to discuss the Boundary Review.
 - b. Village Hall – Cllr P Jones. Deferred to next meeting.
9. **Community Governance Review and Parish Boundaries:** Cllrs Finch and R Gatehouse and the Clerk will attend a meeting chaired by Cllr Motley on the 23rd November 2021. Parishioners will be asked to comment upon the parish boundaries in the mail out regarding the Parish Council vacancy.
10. **Decide on Expenditure of the Neighbourhood Fund:** Cllr Gatehouse reported that a Topography point would cost in the region of £2-3,000. He is seeking

funding from grant providers. The Clerk reported that a bench would be in the region of £300 and was authorised to purchase and install.

11. Correspondence Regarding Titterhill Road Surface and Ambulance Incident

– As the result of a complaint from a Parishioner the Clerk wrote to Cllr Motley about the poor road surface and the Ambulance access issues on Titterhill. Cllr Motley has reported the complaint to Shropshire Council Highways who will be working on the site next week. She will follow up the action regarding the ambulance access problems.

12. Review the Donations Policy: Deferred to the next meeting.

13. Update on a Meeting with West Mercia Police on the Local Policing Charter:

The Clerk reported that Superintendent Bill has been in post for 5 months and Pippa Mills the new Chief Constable started 2 months ago. The 3 biggest themes across the County are drugs and County Lines, domestic abuse and antisocial behaviour. He accepted that Parish Councils need more feedback on action taken regarding the points on the Policing Charter. He intends to meet with Parish Clerks bi-annually.

14. Consider Speed and Size of Vehicles on the Peaton Road: The Clerk updated the council that although agricultural vehicles with higher specification can travel at higher speeds this is dependent upon their width and what they are towing. West Mercia Police have Operation SNAP which allows those with dash cams to upload footage of potential criminal behaviour which is then reviewed by the police and charges made if appropriate.

15. Agenda Items for the next meeting: Adopt the Budget, Review Donations Policy.

16. The next Parish Council meeting will be held on 20th January 2022 at 7.30pm.

Signed:

Date:

Copies of the agenda and minutes are available from the Clerk, Heather Coonick:
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