STANTON LACY PARISH COUNCIL

Draft Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of Stanton Lacy Parish Council at 7.30pm on Thursday 21st July 2022 at Stanton Lacy Village Hall.

Present: Cllr Finch (Chair), Cllrs M Davis, E Gatehouse, R Gatehouse, J Hossbach, P Jones, C Redman and P Williams. In Attendance: Cllr C Motley (Shropshire Council) and H Coonick (Clerk/RFO)

- 1. Apologies for Absence and Acceptance of Apologies: None
- 2. Declarations of Interest and Dispensations: None
- 3. Presentation by Restoring Shropshire's Verges Project (RSVP): Cllr Finch welcomed Janet Cobb who talked on her work with Gods Acre, the RSVP and Shropshire Council on increasing diversity on verges.
- Public involvement session. One member of the public attended and left after item
 3. Cllr E Gatehouse reported that a member of the public had raised an issue with a footpath near Chapel Bank. She had reported the issue to Outdoor Partnerships.
- 5. The minutes of the Annual Parish Council meeting and Annual Parish Meeting on the 26th May 2022: were agreed with the addition of the attendance list. Prop Cllr Finch 2nd Cllr Jones.
- 6. SmartWater for the Parish: The Clerk will invite the coordinator of the SmartWater scheme to a Community Market to gauge the interest of parishioners. This item will be place on the next meetings agenda.
- 7. Finance:
 - a. The finance report/ bank reconciliation/ forecast of expenditure were approved. The Current Account balance as of the 13th July 2022 was £11,435.79. The purchase of defibrillator batteries was an overspend but there are funds in the reserve for maintenance of the defibrillators. Prop Cllr Jones 2nd Cllr R Gatehouse
 - b. Decision on Donations: Deferred to the next meeting.
 - c. Payments:

D Lewis (Lengthsman) Inv 152, 162.	£153.00	Cartridge Ink (Debit Card)	£30.97
Air Ambulance Donation (in lieu of Audit fee)	£25.00	H Coonick (Reimburse for Admin/computer)	£201.77
Election Recharge	£100.00		

An expected payment to D Lewis (Lengthsman) Inv 170 was also authorised. Prop Cllr Jones 2nd Cllr Finch.

8. Reports From Representatives:

- a. Shropshire Council Cllr Cecilia Motley reported that she had met with the manager of the Environmental Maintenance Grant Scheme and discussed improved communication between the EM Contractors and the Highways Teams. Shropshire and Telford and Wrekin are combining Health Services. Shropshire Council is submitting another funding bid to the government for improving public transport. 376 Ukrainian refugees had been housed in the County with 166 households. There are some holdups in sorting out payments.
- b. Village Hall Cllr Jones reported that the Community Market was going well and the bar takings were good.

- c. South Shropshire Area Committee Cllr R Gatehouse reported that he had been unable to attend this meeting.
- **9.** Policing Charter: It was agreed that the Top 3 Community Issues of Thefts from Outbuildings, Thefts from Farms and Wildlife Crime should remain the same on the Policing Charter.
- **10. Road Sign for Haytons Bent:** It was decided not to go ahead with requesting a sign as it was not clear where the boundaries of the hamlets are within the parish.
- **11. Hedge Trimming:** The Clerk was asked to report overgrown hedges and obscured road signs on Whitbatch to the Clerk for Bromfield Parish Council.
- 12. Agenda Items for the next meeting: Donations

The next Parish Council meeting will be held on 15th September 2022 at 7.30pm.

Copies of the agenda and minutes are available from the Clerk, Heather Coonick: <u>www.stantonlacyparish.org</u> email: <u>stantonlacypc@gmail.com</u> Tel: 07817607355