Minutes of the MEETING of STANTON ON THE WOLDS Parish Council held on Wednesday November 9, 2016, at 7.30pm, at the Parish Church, Browns Lane, Stanton on the Wolds

Couns. Mike Sheriston (Chairman) (A)

Jim Goodman Hilary Whitby
Alex McKee Teri Browett
Richard Whitby (in the chair) Martin Danielson

In attendance: The clerk Mike Elliott and Rushcliffe Borough Council members Rob Inglis and Andy Edyvean and 4 members of the public.

- 1] APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE Coun. Mike Sheriston. The council were told that Coun. Sheriston had suffered a heart attack and was in hospital but it was understood he was progressing well. Coun. Hilary Whitby would arrange for a Get Well card to be sent to him.
- 2] DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST There were none
- 3] MINUTES FROM PREVIOUS MEETING HELD ON SEPTEMBER 14, 2016 were accepted as presented and signed by the chairman
- 4] VISIT OF POLICE

Pc Howard Shinn was welcomed to the meeting by the chairman. The officer outlined recent incidents of burglary in the area, including Stanton which he said was usually a low crime area. In the period August to October there had however been a number of burglaries, including some in the daytime. He said he hoped residents would be vigilant and would report incidents to them.

The officer spoke of the use of facebook to make information available to the public and said they had reached 7000 people in one incident recently when they used the facility.

5] CLERK'S REPORT FROM PREVIOUS MEETING There was nothing to report.

6] CORRESPONDENCE

NALC Smaller Councils Transparency act. Additional work for clerks for councils under £25,000 turnover. Cash is available from the Government for purchase of the necessary equipment, to carry out training, etc. to cover expanded duties for clerks of such councils. No longer will there be an external audit and so the work of the particular clerk will be heavier as more information has to be made publicly available. The council can apply for funding for a laptop which would then be their property. The clerk would attend a meeting in January when the funding system would be outlined.

The Notts NALC annual meeting was to be held at Epperstone, on Wednesday November 16 at 7-00pm. Coun. Hilary Whitby would attend.

Coun. Teri Browett, presented a paper in which she raised points on general village activity and how a council could be involved, following her attendance at a NALC training event. The council gave support to a suggestion that a group of local councils be formed for spasmodic meetings when items of general interest affecting them all could be discussed. The clerk said there had been such a group some years ago and he had been secretary to it. He was happy to try to reinstate it again and this was agreed.

7] PLANNING MATTERS

Rushcliffe Borough Council planning applications

167/02445/ful Wayne Bradshaw, adjacent 178 Melton Road. Demolition of former diary buildings and erect new single storey bungalow and detached garage. Object. Concerns were expressed on a danger to existing trees, use of Green Belt Land and sewage. It was felt there was insufficient evidence given in the papers provided to fully inform members of what was being proposed.

16.02509/ful. Tim Jeffrey, 174 Melton Road. Loft conversion with minor internal alterations. No objection.

Rushcliffe Borough Council planning decisions

16/01929/ful Simon Miller, Willow Tree House, Browns Lane. Single storey rear extension. Grant.

8] VILLAGE AMENITIES

Coun. McKee raised the subject of the condition of Thurlby Lane, saying while some pot holes had been attended to others had not. The overall condition of the lane was a concern to him and particularly because he had recently witnessed a ridden horse falling after its front feet had been caught in one of the unattended holes. He suggested a Notts County Council officer came out and sat with him in a car to witness the dangers caused by the fact of the condition of the road. The clerk would contact Coun. Cottee to see if he could be involved.

The clerk said there had been no progress in getting the post box painted but he would make contact again with Royal Mail.

A sign had been damaged by a vehicle on Browns Lane and the clerk was to report the matter.

9] FINANCIAL MATTERS

Cheques for Payment were approved as per the circulated list.

10] WEBSITE

The site was operating well but needed more advertising to ensure residents knew of its existence.

11] NEWSLETTER

Coun. Hilary Whitby said good progress was being made on preparation of the next issue which would be four pages and be published for December. The clerk was to produce a paper for it to show financial responsibilities the council has.

12] ENVIRONMENTAL MATTERS

The Christmas Social event on December 19 would be advertised in the newsletter. Coun. Richard Whitby offered to be the contact point for bookings and Coun. Goodman would liaise with the Golf Club.

13] AGENDA ITEMS FOR NEXT MEETING JANUARY 11, 2017 No items were put forward.

14] PUBLIC SESSION

The council were reminded of the invitation to the Remembrance Service on November 13 at 10.30 at the parish church.

There had been a delay in progress on the production of the proposed Christmas card by the church but it was hoped this would be produced in time for sales to take place.

There being no further business the meeting closed at 8.30pm.