

Minutes of the MEETING of STANTON ON THE WOLDS Parish Council held on
Wednesday November 11, 2020, at 6-30pm, by the ZOOM system.

Couns Richard Whitby, (chairman)
Hilary Whitby, Martin Danielson, Jim Goodman, Julie Spillane, Paul Spillane

Clerk Mike Elliot, Notts County Council member Coun. John Cottee and one resident in attendance

The meeting was carried out using the ZOOM on-line system necessary because of the coronavirus pandemic situation currently affecting the UK and preventing face-to-face meetings.

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE There were none
2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST Couns. R and H Whitby in relation to planning application 20/02526, 140 Browns Lane.
3. MINUTES OF MEETING HELD SEPTEMBER 9, 2020 were accepted as circulated and would be signed by the chairman when appropriate.
4. CLERK'S REPORT – VERBAL UPDATE
The council is still one member short of a full membership and can now co-opt, because no elector has asked for an election.
NALC maintain the stance of holding meetings by Zoom for the time being.
The two very old mail boxes in the village are still there. Royal Mail were asked four years ago to remove them. They have said they will look into the matter again but cannot during the present coronavirus situation.
Christmas event: Members agreed it would not be possible to stage the normal Christmas event at the Golf Club, itself closed at the moment because of the UK coronavirus pandemic situation.
5. NOTTS COUNTY COUNCIL MEMBERS REPORT
Coun. Cottee said he continued to be busy with duties at the County Council. He told of arrangements they were making in regard to direction of traffic in the coming months as building work begins on four major housing projects in Keyworth, on Platt Lane, Miller Homes, Nicker Hill and Bunny Lane.
The authority were asking for comments from residents on any problems caused by the heavy traffic that could be expected as building materials were being delivered. The question of speeding traffic and the possibility of a need to clean roads because of expected mud problems were raised.
Coun. Cottee said he was investigating the matter of a need to clear overgrowth from the side of footpaths in the village. His authority were looking into the situation of obtaining mechanical means to carry out the labour intensive work.
6. FINANCE
 - a) ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT were approved as per the circulated list
 - b) Members considered the budget for 2021-2022.
Figures presented in a report by the clerk were discussed. It was agreed to retain an item originally proposed to meet the cost of the annual Christmas social event for residents in the hope something might be able to be arranged when the present coronavirus pandemic was over. The clerk said some finance had been received from Notts County Council towards the cost of the proposed new decorative village name signs.
The council agreed to seek a precept from Rushcliffe Borough Council for 2021-2022 in the sum of £7,240 the same as for the current year.

7. ENVIRONMENT AND PLANNING

The clerk was asked to progress the report from Rushcliffe Borough Council in respect of the requested new litter bin on Melton Road opposite the petrol station.

There had been some litter picking carried out and mention was made on the number of drink bottles that had been recovered from Thurlby Lane.

Praise was given to those responsible for the Remembrance service at Plumtree. The chairman had laid a wreath on behalf of the parish. No public had been able to attend because of the virus situation but a film had been produced for showing on line.

Rushcliffe Borough Council applications

20/02526 M r Mrs D Sandhu, 140 Browns Lane, alter vehicle access and construct new boundary walls, gates and fences (revised scheme) No objection

20/02501c Tom Cresswell, 36 Stanton Lane. Partial demolition of existing dwelling, demolish existing garage, proposed two storey extensions, erect detached garage, entrance gates and associated landscaping. No objection

20/02446. Brett Hands. Brett Hands. 64a Stanton Lane. Application for existing lawfulness for use of land as residential garden. No objection.

Rushcliffe Borough Council decision

20/01658/ful. Simon Varley, 62 Stanton Lane. Demolish derelict house and replace with two detached houses. Grant

8. CORRESPONDENCE

Coun. Hilary Whitby had written to Coun. Cottee in respect of the condition of the footpath alongside the A606 Melton Road between the 40mph sign and Laming Gap Lane. The County Council member had taken the matter up with the department.

Mr Richard Butler, treasurer of the parish church, wrote asking for consideration to a continuance of funding towards the cost of grass maintenance in the church yard. It was agreed to again make £1000 available. The clerk was to check on which year the application for help referred to and, if necessary, to make the payment immediately.

Rushcliffe Borough Council re Ruddington Neighbourhood Plan consultation. The clerk said he was not aware of any effect the plans would have on the parish.

Rushcliffe Borough Council smoke nuisance from 40 Stanton Lane had been dealt with the matter was now considered closed.

Nottingham County Council advised payment of £5,340 as the first instalment towards the cost of the new village signs. Total cost of the scheme will be £9,546 and total grant will be £7,120.

National Savings advised interest rates going down from 0.8% to 0.01% on its investment account in which the council held funds.

Fiona Carruthers quote for accessibility work on website to meet the new laws £103 per annum, was accepted.

The clerk was to arrange for the circulation of the Midlands Rural Housing survey report that had been carried out and completed. Part of the report would be put on the website.

9. WEB SITE and NEWSLETTER

Coun. Hilary Whitby said there were no problems with either of the subjects. A newsletter had been produced in September and another was being planned now.

10. DATE OF NEXT MEETING CONFIRMATION JANUARY 13, 2021

It was agreed to include on each agenda the availability of a public session for parishioners to take part, limited to 15 minutes. The item would appear at the start of the agenda.

There being no further business the meeting closed at 7.50pm.