

## Minutes of Stanton under Bardon Parish Council Parish Council Meeting held on Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> September 2024 starting at 7:00pm at Stanton Under Bardon Village Hall, St John Cole Crescent, Stanton Under Bardon, LE67 9AE

**Parish Councillors Present**: Cllr Alan Ramsay (Chair), Cllr Anthony Johnston, Cllr Zoe Howard and Cllr Neil Barrett

**In Attendance:** Parish Clerk Joanne Lowe,

Borough Councillor Chris Lambert

8 Members of the Public

## **PUBLIC PARTICIPATION**

A Member of the public raised an issue with an overgrown section of land on St John Cole Crescent with no-one maintaining it. Cllr Ramsay confirmed that it was not the Parish Council's land but will ask the Clerk to make enquiries regarding its maintenance. Another member of public suggested that they could be in breach of their S106 agreement which the Clerk will look into, as well as finding out when the land will be adopted by LCC Highways.

A member of the public voiced support for the installation of CCTV cameras as they are being affected by increasing amounts of anti-social behaviour on the park in recent years. Cllr Ramsay confirmed that the Council are taking this matter seriously but needed to weigh the project alongside various practical implications as well as ensuring private rights of residents. The residents suggested that the playground area is where most of the problems occur. The Council thanked her for her feedback.

A member of the public complained about overhanging branches on the footpath around the back of St John Cole Crescent. The Council advised her to submit a complaint to LCC PROW team who are responsible for maintaining PROWs.

Borough Councillor Chris Lambert gave an update on the Local Plan which is currently out for consultation. Following the Government's increase to local housing targets – amounting to 4500 properties in H and B over the next 20 years – will require the Local Plan to be amended during Regulation 19, which follows this current consultation.

Council Meeting started at 19:18

	To receive apologies for absence and to consider whether to approve the reasons given	
86/24-25	NOTED: The Council received no apologies for absence	

	To receive declarations of pecuniary and non-pecuniary interests and requests for dispensations in respect of items on the agenda
87/24-25	<b>NOTED</b> : The Council received no interests or requests for dispensations in respect of items on the agenda
	To consider the adoption of the draft minutes from the Parish Council Meeting held on 3rd July 2024
88/24-25	<b>RESOLVED:</b> The Council resolved to adopt the draft minutes from the Parish Council Meeting held on 3 <sup>rd</sup> July 2024 with no amendments made. The minutes were signed by the Chairman as a true and accurate record of the meeting.
	To discuss whether to install CCTV cameras on Stanton under Bardon recreation ground
89/24-25	<b>NOTED</b> : The Council discussed the proposal to install CCTV cameras at the Recreation Ground in Stanton under Bardon and agreed that a community consultation should be undertaken in order to gauge local reaction. A future agenda item will then discuss this project again and look into potential funding opportunities.
	To discuss whether to upgrade the CCTV cameras at Stanton under Bardon Village Hall
90/24-25	<b>NOTED</b> : The Council agreed that the CCTV system requires updating and requested quotes to be considered at a future Council meeting.
	To consider applying for funding under the Police Crime Commissioners grant to cover the cost of improving CCTV in Stanton under Bardon
91/24-25	<b>RESOLVED</b> : The Council resolved to defer this item for a future Council meeting.
	To note an update on the Community Woodland Scheme
92/24-25	<b>NOTED</b> : An update was not received as the RCC representative was not present at the meeting
	To consider signing the funding application for the tree planting activity at the Recreation Ground during Winter 2024
93/24-25	<b>RESOLVED</b> : The Council resolved to sign the funding application.

	To note an update on the flagpole and village sign project
94/24-25	NOTED: The Council received an update. Persimmon had been reluctant to site the village sign on their land so that Council will proceed with the village sign on PC owned land near to the junction of St John Cole Crescent and Main Street. Both the flagpole and the village sign will require planning permission so both structures will be applied for at the same time.
	To note an update on the installation of 2 litter bins off Main Street, Stanton under Bardon
95/24-25	<b>NOTED</b> : The Council received an update. Both bins will be purchased and installed by the Council's handyman.
	To discuss and consider contracting Hinckley and Bosworth Borough Council to empty all Parish Council owned bins
96/24-25	<b>RESOLVED</b> : The Council resolved for Hinckley and Bosworth Borough Council to empty all Parish Council owned bins at a cost of £2.18 per bin.
	To note an update on the Parish handyman position
97/24-25	<b>NOTED:</b> The Council received an update. The position has been filled by a contractor called Darwin Davies and the Council are very happy with the work he has completed so far.
	To consider using the handyman as a snow warden in Stanton under Bardon during Winter 2024
98/24-25	<b>RESOLVED</b> : The Council resolved for the handyman to be the designated Snow Warden for Stanton under Bardon during Winter 2024.
	To consider the quotation to remove branches overhanging into 1 Luke  Jackson Way
99/24-25	RESOLVED: The Council resolved to accept the quotation from Johnson's Tree Care at a cost of £250.00 + VAT to remove branches overhanging into 1 Luke Jackson Way
	To consider the quotation to replace the concave mirror on Main Street opposite the junction to the Main Street allotments
100/24-25	<b>RESOLVED</b> : The Council resolved for the handyman to replace the mirror on Main Street at a cost of £47.98.
	To discuss projects to be delivered during financial year 2025-2026
101/24-25	<b>NOTED</b> : The Council discussed the following as new projects for financial year 2025-2026:

	<ol> <li>Installation of infrastructure to Streetlights – to fix Christmas Lights, hanging baskets etc</li> <li>Installation of outdoor Christmas lights and hanging baskets at the Village Hall</li> <li>Extension of the footpath on the Recreation Ground to link with Community Woodland and southern PROW access point.</li> </ol>
102/24-25	NOTED: The Council received updates from the Clerk report relevant to the Parish Council activities.
	To note the update report regarding the Council's investments
103/24-25	NOTED: The Council noted the report regarding the Council's investments
	To note the signing of a new bank mandate for HSBC bank
104/24-25	<b>NOTED</b> : The Council noted the signing of a new bank mandate for HSBC bank.
	To note the updated asset register for Stanton under Bardon Parish Council
105/24-25	<b>NOTED</b> : The Council noted the updated asset register for Stanton under Bardon Parish Council
	To note the conclusion of audit for financial year 2023-2024
106/24-25	<b>DEFERRED</b> : The Council deferred this item as the document was not available from the external auditors.
	To approve the list of payments scheduled for September 2024
107/24-25	<b>RESOLVED:</b> The Council approved the list of payments scheduled for September 2024
	To review and approve the financial statement for July – August 2024
108/24-25	<b>RESOLVED:</b> The Council approved the financial statement for July – August 2024

	To review and approve bank statements and bank reconciliations for July – August 2024
109/24-25	<b>RESOLVED:</b> The Council approved bank statements and bank reconciliations for July and August 2024
	To consider adopting the draft Lone Worker Policy
110/24-25	RESOLVED: The Council resolved to adopt the draft Lone Worker Policy
	To consider adopting the draft Biodiversity Statement
111/24-25	RESOLVED: The Council resolved to adopt the draft Biodiversity Statement
	To consider adopting the draft Staff Recruitment Policy
112/24-25	RESOLVED: The Council resolved to adopt the draft Staff Recruitment Policy
	To discuss options that will allow residents paying for permissive access to access the private road off Main Street, Stanton under Bardon
113/24-25	RESOLVED: The Council resolved to re-draft the existing permissive access agreement and bring to a future meeting
	To discuss options that will enable residents who have paid for permissive access to use the private road off Main Street, Stanton under Bardon
114/24-25	<b>RESOLVED:</b> The Council resolved to re-draft the existing permissive access agreement and bring to a future meeting
	To note the draft minutes from the Village hall Management Committee meeting on 17th July 2024
115/24-25	NOTED: The Council noted the draft minutes from the Village hall Management Committee meeting on 17th July 2024
	To consider whether to submit formal responses to the following applications
116/24-25	NONE RECIEVED
	To consider any other planning applications submitted following the publication of the agenda:
	a) Local Plan Review: Regulation 18 Draft Plan

117/24-25	<b>RESOLVED</b> : Cllrs to forward comments to the Clerk so that a formal response can be collated and submitted. Councillors were asked to send comments by Friday 13 <sup>th</sup> September.
	PROPOSAL OF CLOSED SESSION
	In accordance with the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960 section 1 paragraph 2, the Council <b>RESOLVED</b> to move into closed session.
118/24-25	The Council <b>RESOLVED</b> to join a pension scheme for the Clerk.

Council Meeting finished at 20:49

Signed by	
Chair	Date