



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

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

**In Attendance:** Parish Clerk Joanne Lowe  
2 Members of the Public

The Meeting opened at 19:00

204/2023-24	<p><b>PUBLIC PARTICIPATION</b></p> <p>Kevin Taylor from RCC and Hollie Smith from the National Forest presented an overview of the community woodland project.</p>
205/2023-24	<p><b>APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE</b></p> <p>None received</p>
206/2023-24	<p><b>DECLARATIONS OF PECUNIARY AND NON-PECUNIARY INTERESTS TO ANY MATTER ON THE AGENDA AND TO CONSIDER DISPENSATIONS</b></p> <p>None received</p>
207/2023-24	<p><b>PREVIOUS MINUTES</b></p> <p>The Council <b>RESOLVED</b> to adopt the draft minutes from the Parish Council Meeting on 17<sup>th</sup> January with one spelling amendment to Cllr Barratts name. The minutes were signed by the Chairman as a true and accurate record of the meeting.</p>
208/2023-24	<p><b>BOROUGH AND COUNTY COUNCILLOR REPORTS</b></p> <p>The Council <b>RECEIEVED</b> an update report from Cllr Chris Lambert:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Recent case work defending Leicester Road in Fieldhead</li> <li>• Full Council has approved Climate Change and Biodiversity Strategy</li> <li>• Public Space Protection Orders are currently being undertaken</li> <li>• Increases to all enforcement charges including graffiti and littering.</li> <li>• Green waste charges increased to £42.50</li> <li>• Introduction of food waste collections pushed back to 31/3/2026</li> </ul>
209/2023-24	<p><b>FUTURE COMMUNITY PROJECTS</b></p> <p>THE Council <b>RESOLVED</b> to create a community woodland at Stanton under Bardon at the recreation ground.</p>

210/2023-24	The Council <b>DISCUSSED</b> projects that were eligible for the Environmental Improvement Grant and discussed a village sign for Stanton under Bardon village.
211/2023-24	The Council <b>DISCUSSED</b> the D-Day beacon lighting event in June 2024 and discussed hiring a gas beacon to light as part of the celebrations.
212/2023-24	The Council <b>DISCUSSED</b> hosting an Annual Parish Meeting from mid to late April and discussed who could attend and where and when the event could be held.
213/2023-24	<b>FUTURE COMMUNITY PROJECTS</b>  The Council <b>RESOLVED</b> to accept the quotation from Burnt Oak Developments at a cost of £4436+VAT per year for the 3 year grounds maintenance contract
214/2023-24	<b>COUNCIL INVESTMENTS</b>  The Council <b>RESOLVED</b> to move the Council's main reserves of £50,000 into CCLA's Public Sector Development Fund investment scheme
215/2023-24	The Council <b>DEFERRED</b> transferring the Council's NFU investment to CCLA's Public Sector Development Fund
216/2023-24	<b>ADOPTION OF HR POLICIES</b>  The Council <b>RESOLVED</b> to adopt the draft Annual Leave Policy
217/2023-24	The Council <b>RESOLVED</b> to adopt the draft Expenses Policy
218/2023-24	The Council <b>RESOLVED</b> to adopt the draft Disciplinary Policy
219/2023-24	The Council <b>RESOLVED</b> to adopt the draft Grievance Policy
220/2023-24	The Council <b>RESOLVED</b> to adopt the draft Sickness Absence Policy
221/2023-24	<b>ALLOTMENTS OFF ST JOHN COLE CRESCENT</b>  The Council <b>RESOLVED</b> to accept the quotation of £712.30 from the handyman to repair 12 sheds identified needing repair on St John Cole Crescent allotments
222/2023-24	<b>COUNCIL INSURANCE</b>  The Council <b>RESOLVED</b> to merge buildings cover of the village hall into the Council's main insurance policy
223/2023-24	The Council <b>DEFERRED</b> to adopt the updated asset register for Stanton under Bardon Parish Council

224/2023-24	<b>CLERKS REPORT</b>  The Council <b>RECEIVED</b> bank statements for January 2024
225/2023-24	The Council <b>RESOLVED</b> to adopt the financial statement for January 2024
226/2023-24	The Council <b>RESOLVED</b> to adopt the bank reconciliation for January 2024
227/2023-24	The Council <b>RESOLVED</b> to adopt the draft payment list for February 2024
228/2023-24	<b>PLANNING</b>  To consider any planning application presented following the publication of the agenda – <b>NONE RECEIVED</b>

Meeting closed at 20.35

Signed by

Chair .....

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