



Minutes of Stanton under Bardon Parish Council Parish Council Meeting held on Wednesday 6th March 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 Anthony Johnston, Cllr Zoe Howard and Cllr Neil Barrett

In Attendance: Parish Clerk Joanne Lowe
County Councillor Peter Bedford
One member of the public

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

The Chairman Cllr John Geary opened the meeting and invited members of the public to raise any comments or ask questions to the Council on items on the agenda.

A member of the public spoke about the success of the village fete last year and how the support of the Parish Council was crucial to ensure that the event continues. They asked the Parish Council to support the application from the Village Fete Committee for a community grant of £2000.

The Council noted these comments.

County Councillor Bedford gave an update on matters concerning Leicestershire County Council. A budget meeting had been held recently, with Cllrs agreeing to a full 5% increase in Council tax next year mainly as a result of rising staff costs and increases to adult social care. Confirmation was given that CC will receive £240 million over 8 years to spend on capital highway improvement projects. There is also work on better collaborative working with other agencies when scheduling things such as road closures etc. There has also been some partnership work with Severn Trent water to alleviate flooding risks to certain areas by clearing blocked drainage channels.

The Clerk enquired about the outcome of the County Council’s consultation for electric car charging points at Stanton under Bardon Village Hall. Cllr Bedford requested further details and said he would look into it further.

The Formal Council Meeting started at 19:09

230/2023-24	<u>To receive apologies for absence and to consider whether to approve reasons given</u> Apologies were RECEIVED and ACCEPTED from Cllr Ramsay
231/2023-24	<u>To receive declarations of disclosable pecuniary interests and registerable interests for items on the agenda</u> Cllr Johnston declared a non-registerable interest for item 6 on the agenda as they are a member of the village fete committee.

231/2023-24	Cllr Howard declared a pecuniary disclosable interest for item 6 on the agenda as they will be trading as a stallholder at the village fete.
231/2023-24	<p><u>To consider requests for dispensations</u></p> <p>A written request was received from Cllr Johnston for a 4 year dispensation to be able to remain in the debate and vote to prevent the Council from becoming inquorate under Section 33 of the Localism Act 2011.</p> <p>The Council RESOLVED to grant a 4 year dispensation to Cllr Johnston in respect of any business concerning the village fete to remain in the debate and vote.</p>
232/2023-24	<p><u>To approve the adoption of draft minutes from the Parish Council Meeting held on 28th February 2024</u></p> <p>The Council RESOLVED to adopt the draft minutes from the Parish Council Meeting on 28th February with no amendments made. The minutes were signed by the Chairman as a true and accurate record of the meeting.</p>
233/2023-24	<p><u>To receive nominations and the appointment of member(s) to represent the Council on the Cliffe Hill Quarry Liaison Committee</u></p> <p>The Council RESOLVED to appoint Cllr Ramsay to represent the Council on the Cliffe Hill Quarry Liaison Committee.</p>
233/2023-24	<p><u>To consider adopting the draft policy on filming Parish Council meetings</u></p> <p>The Council RESOLVED to adopt this policy.</p>
233/2023-24	<p><u>To consider adopting the draft procedure on using the Council's Debit Card</u></p> <p>The Council RESOLVED to adopt this policy.</p>
233/2023-24	<p><u>To consider adopting the draft volunteer policy for Stanton under Bardon Parish Council</u></p> <p>The Council RESOLVED to adopt this policy.</p>

	<p><i>Cllr Howard left the discussion</i></p> <p><u>To consider the request from Stanton under Bardon Village Fete Committee to use the Stanton under Bardon recreation ground on Saturday 8th June to host Stanton under Bardon Village Fete</u></p> <p>The Council RESOLVED to allow the Village Fete use Stanton under Bardon recreation ground on Saturday 8th June to host Stanton under Bardon Village Fete</p> <p><u>To consider an application to Stanton under Bardon Community Grant Scheme from the Stanton under Bardon Village Fete Committee</u></p> <p>The Council RESOLVED that in accordance with powers granted by Section 137 of the Local Government Act 1972, to issue of a grant of £2000 to Stanton under Bardon Village Fete Committee</p> <p><i>Cllr Howard rejoined the discussion</i></p>
235/2023-24	<p><u>To consider quotations to deliver a community first aid training event in Stanton under Bardon</u></p> <p>The Council RESOLVED to defer this item until further consultation with residents can be undertaken at the Annual Parish Meeting</p> <p><u>To consider quotations for a gas powered beacon to be used during the D-Day anniversary event in June 2024</u></p> <p>The Council RESOLVED to defer this item until further discussions have been made with the church regarding the event in June.</p> <p><u>To discuss the request to install disabled play equipment at Stanton under Bardon Recreation Ground</u></p> <p>The Council RESOLVED to undertake further research and the associated costs to install play equipment for disabled children at Stanton under Bardon Recreation Ground.</p> <p><u>To discuss the request to undertake footpath improvement work at Stanton under Bardon recreation ground</u></p> <p>The Council RESOLVED to undertake works to improve the footpaths at Stanton under Bardon Recreation Ground.</p>
236/2023-24	<p><u>To consider the quotation from LRALC to undertake an internal audit for financial year 2023 – 2024</u></p> <p>The Council RESOLVED the accept the quotation.</p>

236/2023-24	<u>To consider the draft terms of reference for the internal audit process</u> The Council RESOLVED the accept the terms of reference.
235/2023-24	<u>To receive the bank statements for February 2024</u> The Council RECEIVED bank statements for February 2024.
235/2023-24	<u>To receive the financial statement for February 2024</u> The Council RECEIVED the financial statement for February 2024
235/2023-24	<u>To agree the bank reconciliation for February 2024</u> The Council AGREED the bank reconciliation for February 2024
235/2023-24	<u>To agree the payment list for March 2024</u> The Council AGREED the payment list for March 2024 with no amendments.
235/2023-24	<u>To consider any planning application presented following the publication of the agenda</u> The Council NOTED that no planning applications had been received.

Meeting closed at 20.08

Signed by

Chair

Date