

STANTON UNDER BARDON PARISH COUNCIL



MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON WEDNESDAY 6TH APRIL 2022.

PRESENT: Cllr Briggs – Vice Chair
Cllr West
Cllr Ramsay
MEETING ALSO ATTENDED BY: CCllr Bedford and BCllr Lay
MINUTES PREPARED BY: Eliza Hill – Parish Clerk

Minute	Item	Action
184/2021-22	<p>Election of a Chair for the Meeting It was proposed that Cllr Briggs Chair the meeting. RESOLVED: That the motion be carried.</p> <p>The Chair welcomed everyone to the meeting.</p>	
185/2021-22	<p><u>Apologies</u> Apologies were received from Cllr Geary and BCllr Furlong.</p>	
186/2021-22	<p><u>Declaration of Interest</u> There were no pecuniary interests to declare.</p>	
187/2021-22	<p><u>Minutes of the last meeting – 2nd March 2022</u> It was raised that the minutes stated a footpath redirection had been completed but this is not the case. It was proposed that with that alteration the minutes be approved as a true account of the meeting. RESOLVED: That the motion be carried.</p>	
188/2021-22	<p><u>Clerk's report</u> The report was received by members.</p>	
189/2021-22	<p><u>County Council Matters</u> CCllr Bedford stated that he had been involved with tree planting as part of a Severn Trent scheme but only in Hinckley. He is hoping to try and extend this to this side of the Borough. CCllr Bedford continued that he had attended a Cabinet meeting at the County Council and discussed the Borough's Draft Local Plan. The County Council response was considered particularly regarding highways and infrastructure and it is important that it is correct to prevent speculative applications. The Quarry Community Fund has just met and considered some small applications this time. The next meeting is in June. CCllr Bedford took part in a radio interview for the BBC recently regarding work and skills as a part of his cabinet role.</p>	

The A511 improvement scheme has been granted funding and CCllr Bedford has pushed the point regarding the changing of the roundabout layout numerous times and will continue to do so.

190/2021-22

Borough Council Matters

BCllr Lay informed members that since the post office closed, there have been discussions around potential ideas. It has now been confirmed that a mobile postal service will include Stanton for one hour per week. Members stated that it will be welcomed in the village.

A511 scheme – BCllr Lay confirmed that the Government have granted funding but inflationary pressure is leading to uncertainty. There is a high level of traffic accidents but that is partly due to design when it was changed. The PC should continue to engage with this and have their say as it appears to be penalising the village. Additional housing will only compound the problem. Levels of infrastructure are minimal.

A written report was submitted from BCllr Furlong and was received by members. BCllr Furlong stated that the consultation on the HBBC Local Plan Closed on 24 March. There were over 700 responses received. BCllr Furlong has requested a breakdown by ward to get a fix on the views expressed by local residents and other parties with an interest in development in and around Stanton.

The big sticking point centres on some significant concerns raised by Leicestershire County Council. HBBC have now sought a legal opinion on the concerns raised.

From a Stanton perspective, there is still progress to be made on the Neighbourhood Plan. This would provide some protection against unwanted development that some viable options have been identified for the development land within the parish - or a compelling reason can be put forward as to why not.

HBBC has appointed a new officer to support local plan development. His name is Mr. Richard Thresh. Richard has been allocated responsibility for Stanton and he will be in touch to explore the interface between the Neighbourhood plan as it currently stands and the Local Plan.

In the meantime, a public consultation has been initiated by DPP Planning for 50 new houses at the bottom of Main Street.

191/2021-22

Police Report

No report this month.

192/2021-22

Public Participation

There were eight members of the public present.

A query was raised as to why only the bottom of the village had received literature on a proposed planning application consultation. This was not down to the Parish Council but they will try to hold a public meeting early next week.

Resolutions

193/2021-22

Community Governance Review

To approve the Parish Council's comments for submission.

RESOLVED: That the motion be carried.

194/2021-22

Members Code of Conduct

Councillors to approve the new document for adoption.

RESOLVED: That the motion be carried.

195/2021-22 Website Providers

The report of the Clerk was received. It was suggested that an Investigation should take place to see if spanglefish can offer a better system.

RESOLVED: That the motion be carried.

196/2021-22 Bin Store

The bins are still next to the building and a paved area is still required. Resurrect this work and get quotes.

Clerk

197/2021-22 Increase in NJC Pay Scale

Members received the updated scale.

198/2021-22 National Living Wage

Members received the update scale.

199/2021-22 Retirement of The Chair

Members received the official thank you to Cllr Bridges from CCllr Bedford.

Cllr Briggs expressed thanks to Cllr Bridges on the council's behalf and for his long service. Formal best wishes for a long and happy retirement to be sent.

Clerk

Planning

200/2021-22 HBBC Draft Local Plan

To approve The Parish Council's comments for submission.

RESOLVED: That the motion be carried.

201/2021-22 To approve comments from the Neighbourhood Plan Steering Group.

RESOLVED: That the motion be carried.

Clerk

202/2021-22 Bank Statements and Reconciliation

To be approved as an accurate record of accounts.

RESOLVED: That the motion be carried.

203/2021-22 Regular Payments List

Company	Details	Period	Payment	Dates Due
BT	Telephone and Broadband	Monthly	Direct Debit	23 rd /24 th Month
Waterplus	Water Supply VH	Quarterly	Direct Debit	November, February
Eon	Electricity	Quarterly	Direct Debit	January
HBBC	Waste Disposal	Quarterly	Direct Debit	1 st Month
E Hill/I Smith	Salaries	4 Weekly	Bank Transfer	22 nd April 20 th May 17 th June 15 th July

				12 th August 9 th September 7 th October 4 th November 2 nd December 30 th December 27 th January 24 th February 24 th March
HMRC	Tax	Weekly	Bank Transfer	As above for salary dates
M&BG	Grounds Maintenance	Monthly	Bank Transfer	3 rd – 5 th of the month

It was proposed that the regular payments list be approved.

RESOLVED: That the motion be carried.

204/2021-22

Draft Payments List

12380	AA Pat testing – fire risk assessment	178.80	4/3/22	Y
51381	Bell Close Replacement Sign	306.00	21/3/22	Y

It was proposed that the draft payment list be approved.

RESOLVED: That the motion be carried.

205/2021-22

Date of next meeting - Wednesday 4th May 2022

Meeting Concluded at 7.39pm