

Minutes of Stanton under Bardon Annual Parish Council Meeting held on Wednesday 17th May 2023 starting at 7:30pm at Stanton Under Bardon Village Hall, St John Cole Crescent, Stanton Under Bardon, LE67 9AE

Parish Councillors Present: Cllr Geary (Chairman) Cllr Ramsay (Vice Chair) Cllr Johnston and Cllr Briggs

In Attendance: 2 Members of the public, Borough Councillor Harris, Parish Clerk

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION				
None received				
ELECTION OF CHAIRMAN				
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One nomination was received for the position of Chairman.				
PROPOSED Cllr Ramsay, SECONDED Cllr Johnston				
It was RESOLVED to elect Cllr John Geary as Chairman for 2023 – 2024. Cllr Geary duly				
signed his declaration of acceptance of office form in the presence of the Proper				
Officer.				
ELECTION OF VICE CHAIRMAN				
One nomination was received for the position of Vice Chairman.				
PROPOSED Cllr Johnston, SECONDED Cllr Geary				
It was RESOLVED to elect Cllr Alan Ramsay as Vice Chairman for 2023 – 2024. Cllr				
Ramsay duly signed his declaration of acceptance of office form in the presence of				
the Proper Officer.				
the Proper officer.				
TO RECEIVE APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE				
Apologies were received from Borough Councillor Lambert and Cllr Peter Bedford as				
they were both on leave.				
TO RECEIVE DECLARATIONS OF PECUNIARY AND NON-PECUNIARY INTERESTS TO				
ANY MATTER ON THE AGENDA AND TO CONSIDER DISPENSATIONS				
None received				
PREVIOUS MINUTES OF PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON 5th APRIL 2023				
PROPOSED Cllr Geary, SECONDED Cllr Ramsay				
It was RESOLVED to adopt the draft minutes from the Parish Council Meeting held on				
5th April and they were signed by the Chair as a true and accurate record.				

APPLICATIONS OF CANDIDATES TO FILL COUNCILLOR VACANCIES VIA CO-OPTION

One application was received for the co-option of Parish Councillors onto the Parish Council.

PROPOSED Cllr Geary, SECONDED Cllr Johnston

It was RESOLVED to co-opt Cllr Mary Briggs as Parish Councillor. Cllr Briggs signed her declaration of acceptance of office form in the presence of the Proper Officer.

NOMINATIONS AND ELECTION OF MEMBERS TO EXTERNAL COMMITTEES

a) Bagworth, Thornton and Stanton Neighbourhood Planning Group

Two nominations was received

PROPOSED Cllr Johnston SECONDED Cllr Ramsay

It was RESOLVED to elect Cllr Briggs and Cllr Geary as representatives to the Bagworth, Thornton and Stanton Neighbourhood Planning Group

b) Stanton Quarry Residents Group

One nomination was received.

PROPOSED Cllr Briggs SECONDED Cllr Johnston

It was RESOLVED to elect Cllr Geary as representative to the Stanton Quarry Residents Group.

c) Stanton under Bardon Village Hall Trust

One nomination was received.

PROPOSED Cllr Geary SECONDED Cllr Briggs

It was RESOLVED to elect Cllr Johnston as a representative to the Stanton under Bardon Village Hall Trust

SCHEDULE OF PARISH COUNCIL MEETINGS FOR 2023/24

PROPOSED Cllr Geary SECONDED Cllr Briggs

It was RESOLVED to accept the schedule of Parish Council meetings for 2023 – 2024 as follows:

Wednesday 7th June – 7:00pm

Wednesday 5th July - 7:00pm

Wednesday 6th September – 7:00pm

Wednesday 4th October – 7:00pm

Wednesday 1st November - 7:00pm

Wednesday 6th December - 7:00pm

Wednesday 17th January - 7:00pm

Wednesday 7th February – 7:00pm

UPDATE REPORTS FROM BOROUGH AND COUNTY COUNCILLORS
It was NOTED monthly update reports from Cllr Bedford and the verbal update from Cllr Harris. The Council welcomed Cllr Harris and wished her success in her new role as Borough Councillor.
CLERKS REPORT It was NOTED the update from the Parish Clerk on activities relevant to the Parish.
TRADE SERVICE AGREEMENT WITH HBBC PROPOSED Cllr Johnston, SECONDED Cllr Ramsay
It was RESOLVED to accept the agreement with Hinckley and Bosworth Borough Council supply of services contract for the provision of trade services. The contract was duly signed by the Chairman.
REPLACEMENT OF GAS METER AT STANTON UNDER BARDON VILLAGE HALL PROPOSED CIIr Briggs, SECONDED CIIr Geary
It was RESOLVED to accept the offer by British Gas for a free gas meter replacement at Stanton under Bardon Village Hall.
GROUNDS MAINTENANCE REPAIR WORKS It was DISCUSSED by Council for the Clerk to seek quotations to re-felt all of the allotment sheds on the allotment site off St John Cole Crescent.
PARISH COUNCIL BANKING ARRANGEMENTS PROPOSED Cllr Johnston, SECONDED Cllr Ramsay
It was RESOLVED to update the bank mandates for all Council bank and investment accounts
PROPOSED Cllr Briggs SECONDED Cllr Ramsay
It was RESOLVED to switch both of the Council's HSBC bank accounts to Lloyds Community account.
RE-ADOPTION OF STATUTORY DOCUMENTS It was RESOLVED to defer this agenda item.
ADOPTION OF NEW COUNCIL POLICIES It was RESOLVED to defer this agenda item
RENEWAL OF COUNCIL INSURANCE
Four quotations were presented to Council.
PROPOSED Cllr Briggs, SECONDED Cllr Geary
It was RESOLVED accept a 3 year long term agreement with Zurich at an annual cost of £ £1072.13

REPAIRS AT THE VILLAGE HALL

PROPOSED Cllr Briggs, SECONDED Cllr Geary

It was RESOLVED to undertake an insurance claim to replace the fire door at Stanton under Bardon Village Hall

PROPOSED Cllr Briggs, SECONDED Cllr Geary

In line with the resolution of agenda item 12(a), it was RESOLVED to rescind minute 127/2022-23 to accept the quote to repair the fire door at a cost of £533.40

PROPOSED Cllr Johnston, SECONDED Cllr Ramsay

It was RESOLVED to retrospectively approve the cost of repairing and servicing the fire alarm system at the village hall at a cost of £114

PROPOSED Cllr Johnston, SECONDED Cllr Ramsay

It was RESOLVED to retrospectively approve the cost of repairing the window latch at the village hall at a cost of £68.

ALARM PROCEDURES AT THE VILLAGE HALL

It was DISCUSSED about the possibility of purchasing a key safe and issuing access keys and fobs to all Parish Councillors and it was RESOLVED for the Clerk to source quotations.

It was DISCUSSED that responsibility of the security alarm might fall to the Trustees and that a meeting with John Preston at RCC would be useful in beginning to draft a new lease agreement between the Trustees and the Parish Council.

GROUNDS MAINTENANCE REPAIR WORKS

Three quotations were presented to Council.

PROPOSED Cllr Johnston, SECONDED Cllr Ramsay

It was RESOLVED to accept quotation 2 to repair the broken slabs and to clear allotment plot 6b. it was RESOLVED for the Clerk to approach the quarry to see whether they are able to level the pump track as a gesture of goodwill.

MOBILE PHONE CONTRACT

Four quotations were presented to Council.

PROPOSED Cllr Briggs, SECONDED Cllr Geary

It was RESOLVED to purchase a mobile phone and contract with O2 for the Parish Clerk at a cost of £16 per month.

FINANCE

It was NOTED the bank statements for April 2023.

PROPOSED Cllr Ramsay SECONDED Cllr Geary
It was RESOLVED to adopt bank reconciliations for April 2023
PROPOSED Cllr Geary SECONDED Cllr Briggs
It was RESOLVED to approve the draft payment list for May 2023
PLANNING
23/00197/FUL - Single storey rear extension (following demolition of existing garage), change of use of part of the ground floor from residential to retail and alterations to shop front to include signage, shutter and materials - 162 Main Street Stanton Under Bardon LE67 9TP
PROPOSED Cllr Johnston, SECONDED Cllr Ramsay
It was RESOLVED to submit a formal comment in support of this application, highlighting the significant need for a convenience shop in the village, especially for those finding it difficult to purchase daily consumables. The Council also welcomed the larger shop layout.
22/00527/OUT - Outline Application for proposed development of up to 50 dwellings (All Matters Reserved, except access) at Land South Of 295 Main Street Stanton Under Bardon)
PROPOSED Cllr Geary SECONDED Cllr Briggs
It was RESOLVED to object to this application, stating that there is not the infrastructure in place in the village to sustain this size of development.

Meeting closed at 21:35

Signed by	
Chair	Date