



**Minutes of Stanton under Bardon Parish Council Parish Council Meeting held on Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> July 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 John Geary (Vice Chair) Cllr Anthony Johnston, Cllr Zoe Howard and Cllr Neil Barrett

**In Attendance:** Parish Clerk Joanne Lowe  
One member of the public

**PUBLIC PARTICIPATION**

A Member of the public raised an issue on Luke Jackson Way with tree branches overgrowing into their garden and requested that the Council cut the branches back. The Council will ask a contractor to undertake an assessment and report finding back to Council who will then agree next steps. In the meantime, the member of the public was advised that they can cut back any overgrowing branches.

Borough Councillor Clare Harris gave feedback on the successful Stanfest event and would like to see more events organised for the local community. She also mentioned the recent Statement of Community Interest, with the deadline for comments by 29<sup>th</sup> July. There is also a current consultation on green spaces survey which Cllr Ramsay commented that it had been circulated on the Parish Council's Facebook page.

*Council Meeting started at 19:16*

68/24-25	<b>APOLOGIES</b> <b>NOTED:</b> The Council received no apologies for absence
69/24-25	<b>DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST PECUNIARY AND NON-PECUNIARY</b> <b>NOTED:</b> The Council received no interests or requests for dispensations in respect of items on the agenda
70/24-25	<b>PREVIOUS COUNCIL MINUTES</b> <b>RESOLVED:</b> The Council adopted the draft minutes from the Parish Council Meeting held on 5 <sup>th</sup> June 2024 with no amendments made. The minutes were signed by the Chairman as a true and accurate record of the meeting.

<p>71/24-25</p> <p>72/24-25</p>	<p><b>NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN</b></p> <p><b>NOTED:</b> Council noted an update on the Neighbourhood Plan from Chair Russell George. Following the positive meeting with Planning Officers at HBBC, the Neighbourhood Plan looks to be progressing to Regulation 18, with forward momentum from all parties including better engagement with the Borough Council and planning. However it was felt that Cllr Geary required more support from Stanton under Bardon representatives.</p> <p><b>RESOLVED:</b> The Council discussed how Stanton under Bardon can better support the Neighbourhood Plan group with progressing the Neighbourhood Plan and Cllr Ramsay to be nominated to represent the Council at Neighbourhood Planning meetings alongside Cllr Geary to help progress the Neighbourhood Plan into its final stages.</p>
<p>73/24-25</p> <p>74/24-25</p> <p>75/24-25</p> <p>76/24-25</p>	<p><b>COUNCIL FINANCES</b></p> <p><b>RESOLVED:</b> The Council approved the revised budget for financial year 2024-25 with no amendments made.</p> <p><b>RESOLVED:</b> The Council approved the list of payments scheduled for July 2024</p> <p><b>RESOLVED:</b> The Council approved the financial statement for June 2024</p> <p><b>RESOLVED:</b> The Council approved bank statements and bank reconciliations for June 2024</p>
<p>77/24-25</p>	<p><b>CLERK'S REPORT</b></p> <p>The Council <b>RECEIVED</b> updates from the Clerk report relevant to the Parish Council activities and commented the following items:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• An update on the Community Woodland project was issued by the National Forest, with draft plans drawn up.</li> <li>• The Council requested for the village sign to be located either on the junction of St John Cole Crescent / Main Street or at the corner of Everard Crescent and the St Marys and All Saints Church and for the Clerk to investigate options.</li> </ul>

<p>78/24-25</p>	<p><b>ALLOTMENTS</b></p> <p><b>RESOLVED:</b> The Council adopted the bee keeping policy for tenants requesting to keep bees on their allotment plot owned by Stanton under Bardon Parish Council following three further amendments:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. That as an alternative to being a member of a recognised Bee Keeping Association affiliated to the British Beekeepers Association, the beekeeper can also take out their own public liability insurance policy and evidence this to the PC as part of their application to keep bee hives on their allotment plot</li> <li>2. That the fence around the hive should be 1.5 metres high.</li> <li>3. That any honey produced is not sold for profit</li> </ol>
<p>79/24-25</p>	<p><b>RESOLVED:</b> The Council approved the request by an allotment tenant to replace a greenhouse with a polytunnel on an allotment plot at St John Cole Crescent allotments on provision of further details regarding how the polytunnel will be affixed to the ground.</p>
<p>80/24-25</p> <p>81/24-25</p> <p>82/24-25</p>	<p><b>COMMUNITY PROJECTS</b></p> <p><b>RESOLVED:</b> The Council agreed to install a 6 metre ground mounted flagpole outside of Stanton under Bardon Village Hall. It was agreed that it would be sited on Parish Council owned land.</p> <p><b>RESOLVED:</b> The Council discussed the future management of car parking spaces on St John Cole Crescent and agreed to install parking signs stating “Parking for Village Hall Users only” to prevent un-authorised parking.</p> <p><b>RESOLVED:</b> The Council agreed to authorise the closure of Stanton under Bardon Village Hall Trust. It was noted that the Trust were in the process of ending contractual commitments with suppliers and there will be a requirement for the Council to put new suppliers in place.</p>
<p>83/24-25</p>	<p><b>PLANNING</b></p> <p><b>4/10069/PREMAJ</b> - Reserved matters application for 50 Dwellings with associated landscaping and access / Land South Of 295 Main Street Stanton Under Bardon Leicestershire.</p> <p><b>RESOLVED:</b> To object to this application</p> <p><b>STATEMENT OF COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT JUNE 2024 – CONSULTATION DRAFT</b></p>

84/24-25	<b>RESOLVED:</b> Cllrs to forward comments to the Clerk so that a formal response can be collated and submitted.
85/24-25	<p><b>PROPOSAL OF CLOSED SESSION</b></p> <p>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.</p> <p>The Council <b>RESOLVED</b> to employ a paid member of staff to undertake caretaking.</p>
86/24-25	The Council <b>RESOLVED</b> to advertise for a maintenance worker

*Council Meeting finished at 20:37*

Signed by

Chair .....

Date .....