

PARISH OF ENDON WITH STANLEY

Minutes of the Virtual Meeting of the Parish Council held by Zoom on Tuesday 8th December 2020 at 7.00pm.

Present:

Cllrs. S.Sillitoe (Chairman) J.Sambrook,(Vice Chairman), V.Harris, L. Adams, J.Sillitoe, S Carey, , C Jebb, H. Clulow, D. Spooner. From the floor
K. Flunder.

Action

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Apologies for absence E. Durose, J.Porter

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Declarations of Interest -none.

Public Forum – N/A

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Chairman's remarks.

Message from Barrie Jackson re Carol singing on the Parish Church car park, December 20th at 4.00pm. The Chair has been informed that Santa Claus will tour the village on Sat Dec 19th and she has asked the organisers to check with the Police. Gifts have been given to Mrs Hollins and Mrs Clarke on their 90th birthdays. Mr Horley's funeral was attended and a donation to Parkinson's UK was given on behalf of PC. Thanks were extended to John Bagguley who coordinates our poppy appeal, the amount raised was £1314.28. The small poppy receptacles at the Well and War Memorial contributed £170.53.

SS

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Minutes of meeting held on 10th November 2020

The minutes were agreed unanimously.

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Matters arising from the 10th November 2020 not on the agenda:

1. Rats in Station Road – Clerk has been in touch with the property owner who has informed the tenant of the seriousness of the issue and to take action.
2. Census March 2021 – Clerk to invite Mr Shaun Hulin to the next meeting to inform the Parish Council. Training will be available online for completion of form.

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Standing Orders were suspended as Cllr Flunder addressed the meeting.

He reported on the current situation regarding Coved 19 and asked for suggestions for testing stations. SS suggested the Endon Scout Hut and the Village Hall and she would pursue these possibilities. Cllr Funder reported on DHP (Highways work): Pavement on Stanley Road had been done and work around the Well. Signs for Moss Hill (pedestrian warnings) and Clay Lake had been done or were imminent. He had not heard any

KF

more on Flood Action. Funding applications were being considered and the “Family Hub” has campaigns operating.

The St Luke’s school crossing was a concern (no warden at the moment), This has been advertised in the current Newsletter and the details posted on PC Facebook to try and recruit.

J Sil

The Clerk raised an email from Mary Plant re Dementia Support and possible cancellation of meetings. Cllr Flunder requested that the Clerk ask Mrs. Plant to contact him.

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Grounds and Amenities

1. Playing Fields

A safety inspection for Hillswood Playing Field has been arranged for January. The Lengthsman has estimated that it needs approximately £1000 spending to upgrade it. It was agreed to prioritise Hillswood and act on the report. The Station Road equipment order has been placed and we hope for a Spring installation. There has been a hawthorn hedge planted in the play area located by the rear of the Village Hall. It was agreed that this had been done without consultation with the Parish Council and is unsuitable for Health and Safety reasons as well as compromising the Parish Councils accident insurance and third-party liability. Village Hall Chairman to be contacted. It was suggested that the hedge could be transplanted to another council location.

SS/DB

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2 Art in the Landscape – this is on hold for the foreseeable future as groups are still not meeting.

3 John Emery Land. Repairs sleepers etc.

Andrew Stretch had finished his work. JS to review.

4 Bench repairs at The Fountain.

Awaiting installation.

5 Damage to the sponsored Oak trees.

Seven damaged ones had been replaced and are awaiting concrete plinths and plaques. One oak will be planted at Hillswood as requested by Mrs Gibson (memory of her mother). CJ has more saplings that could also be planted there.

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Flood Action Group

JS reported that he had received no further correspondence since the last meeting.

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Pandemic Emergency

SS reported she had applied for more grants to support community resilience as several requests had been received. KF said that the Community Foundation of Staffordshire was offering grants

SS

587 Finance.

1. Report

This was agreed

588 Accounts and Expenses.

Cheq No

Payments

D. Boulton - Sal	£ 806.40		
Exps	£ 4.50	£ 810.90	10849
HM Revenue & Customs (PAYE)		£ 254.64	50
J. Gibson – General Duties	£ 1067.47		
Lawn Cemetery	£ 18.78		
		£ 1086.25	51
			DD
BT – Telephone etc (DD)		£ 22.88	52
SMDC Bin -		£ 55.15	53
Andrew Stretch-Handrail & Trees		£ 180.00	54
BC Pollard – Gardening		£ 195.00	

These were agreed.

589**Newsletter and Social Media**

J.Sil

J.Sil.said that he had supplied copies to shops, garage etc. and volunteers were doing their best to distribute. He again asked for contributions and anything that was thought relevant for the Facebook page.

590**Lengthsman and Maintenance.**

The Lengthsman would ensure that school and road signs etc will be kept clean during his regular litter picking round.

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The Clerk had received an anonymous letter complaining about footpaths on the border with Brown Edge. Some land appeared to be used as a trailer park and a large number of dogs were allowed to roam freely. In addition some areas of the footpath had been churned up by tractors etc. making it almost impassable. DS said that she was aware of this and it required action, she would forward photos of the area. Clerk to write to Brown Edge PC and take other action if applicable.

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591**Planning.**

Ref SMD/2020/0615. Dane Heights, Clay Lake, Endon.

JSil/DB

Outline application-erection detached dwelling. Resubmission of SMD/2017/0718 No objections

592 Reports

JSil – had received a call about an accident on the old footpath between Brook Lane and the Church. It was explained that this land was not owned by anyone and the footpath would be so expensive to repair the Parish Council could not afford it and District said it was not their responsibility. It was agreed to put the situation in the Newsletter and Clerk to contact English Heritage as it is an ancient footpath. Agreed

SS

JP – The Clerk read out extracts from his report which covered Christmas Card packs which Church members were helping to deliver. There could be a Christmas Treasure Hunt and it is hoped to deliver Christmas dinners to some housebound parishioners.

SS – stated that the Christmas tree would be lit up in the next few days. She also mentioned the Moorland Climate Action Group of which she and LA are members. Both were impressed by the depth of knowledge and commitment of this group. She asked if the Parish Council would be happy

that SS and LA represent the Parish Council on this group. Agreed unanimously.

She promised that the refreshments normally served at tonight's meeting would be available instead when meetings return to normal.

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Correspondence –

1. – Problem footpaths etc.- discussed earlier.

The Chairman wished everyone the compliments of the season.

The meeting closed at 8.50pm