

PARISH OF ENDON WITH STANLEY

Minutes of the Virtual Meeting of the Parish Council held by Zoom. on Tuesday 9th March 2021 at 7.00pm.

Present:

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

Action

628 Apologies for absence E. Durose. J Porter. D. Spooner

629 Declarations of Interest -CJ re planting of trees cost.

630 Public Forum – N/A

631 Chairman's remarks.

Thank you to Cllr Flunder for his regular updates. There had been some work done at the Lawn Cemetery central area and the Lengthsman hopes to do more before Mothers' Day. Police have been informed of the missing "Queens Cross" stone on Feb 14th. The "Stalwarts" bench is back in place and residents have complained that a bin is needed between the bench and the notice board.

632 Minutes of meeting held on 9th February 2021.

The minutes were agreed unanimously.

633 Matters arising from the 9th February 2021 not on the agenda:

1. All items would be covered.

634 Grounds and Amenities

1. Playing Fields

There will be a meeting of the Grounds and Amenities Sub Group next Tuesday (16th) at 7.00. LA will host as she has Zoom. The Hillswood report will be discussed. CJ has donated some trees and they have been planted at Hillswood. SS has order two fifty packs of mixed trees, many of which will be planted along the "Dog Walk" at Hillswood. The Jubilee bench at Station Road will be re varnished by the Lengthsman and installed elsewhere as a 'Chat' bench.

SS

There has been very good feedback on the new play area installation and it should be finished by the end of next week. Fifty "goody Bags" have been sent by Wicksteed and thanks expressed to CJ for the gift of a bench. Opening will be discussed at the meeting.

Mrs Vincent, whose husband tragically died in an accident, has asked for donations to go to the Station Road fund for extra amenities.

2. Art in the Landscape

Although the normal Well Dressing has been cancelled, an event, similar to last year will be arranged. Further village events may be possible later in the year to which this project can be part of.

3. Unit 2 – The Clerk has not had a response from the surgery. He will chase
4. Street Lighting – Basnett's Wood

DB

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Residents were informed by letter, the Clerk, to date, had received no comments. Agreed if there are no comments Clerk to initiate disconnection of this light.

5. Parish Council Land at Stockton Brook.

Someone has tidied up this area without the Parish Council's knowledge. It was agreed, to introduce more bird boxes etc onto this area. Essential wild life habitats will be reinstalled by a Peatfree materials group

SS

6. John Emery Land.

This area, gifted to the PC, is our responsibility. Robert Gibson (Lengthsman) has asked if he could put a new wire bin for litter, to be serviced by the Lengthsman. Agreed. The area is a habitat for adders and wild flowers. More bird boxes to be introduced next year.

SS

7. Bus Shelter.

The shelter against the Plough needs some painting. Agreed to ask Fred Goldstraw to do this.

635 Standing Orders were suspended as Cllr Flunder addressed the meeting.

He informed the meeting that Staffordshire Day would be the 31st May. The Cycle path development was going ahead. There was a new skills course being organised and a anti suicide programme to help those in need. A £400 sustainability grant had been agreed for the Parish Council. Highways – St Georges Ave will have road repairs and Station Road some footpath work. J. Sil mentioned the poor work done on Hillswood Drive. Cllr Flunder said that the Amey contract was under review. SC asked for more information on the Art project. KF will chase.

KF

636 Flood Action Group

Consultation event had been arranged for the 31st March in the Scout Hut. Clerk had received some bookings from the public. JS asked for more notices and this was agreed. Clerk to organise with J Sil.

DB/JS

637 Pandemic.

SS reported that two grants had been given of £1000 each to The Village Hall, for wipe-clean chairs and tables, and to the High School, for four community iPads plus deep cleaning of the Scout Hut and Village Hall from Community Grants obtained by the Parish Council.

638 Finance.

1, Report

This was accepted.

2. Rents receivable – JS reported that some work was required on the floor in the Station Kitchen. He would arrange.

JS

Cheq No

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Accounts and Expenses.

Payments

D. Boulton - Sal	£ 928.00		
Exps	£ 4.50	£ 932.50	10868
HM Revenue & Customs (PAYE)		£ 286.00	69
J. Gibson – General Duties	£ 606.11		
Lawn Cemetery	£. 18.78	£ 624.89	70
BT – Telephone etc (DD)		£ 22.88	DD
C. Jebb – Planting trees		£ 40.00	71
Cost Cutters – Village Hall(Pandemic Grant)		£ 1223.90	72
Staffordshire Parish Councils Ass.		£ 394.00	73
G. Lancet (Gardener)		£ 555.00	74

All payments were agreed.

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Code of Conduct

The Clerk asked if the Council if they agreed that a letter be sent to Cllr Porter asking him to consider his role and listing his reasons for this. Cllrs agreed unanimously.

DB

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Newsletter and Social Media

J.Sil. said that he hoped that a March Newsletter may be possible if more information is received. JS said that there were more volunteers to help with distribution. VH said that the Methodist Church was hoping to open in the not too distant future.

J. Sil

642 Lengthsman and Maintenance.

CJ mentioned that the road sign half way down Clay Lake needed cleaning. Clerk to action

DB

643 Planning.

Ref SMD/2021/0064. 17A Kent Drive, Endon

Loft Conversion. No objections

Ref SMD/2021/0079. 25, The Quadrangle, Endon

Ground Floor bedroom extension. No objections

Ref SMD/2021/0078. Hawthorn House, Puddy Lane. Stanley.

Rear Orangery and Double Garage. No objections

Ref SMD/2021/0075. 25, Great Hollows, Basnetts Wood Road, Endon,

Three dormers. No objections

Ref SMD/2021/0110. Moorlands, Tompkin Road, Stanley.

Two Storey Rear Extension etc. No objections

JS mentioned that a Planning Student was asking opinions on the alterations to the Mission Church on Tompkin Road. CJ suggested that the best contact would be Mark Simcock.. JS would contact him.

JS

644 Reports

VH – The table on its own on the John Emery Land is in a very poor state. SS to price repairs. Footpath 73 still floods with rain. Difficult to correct. Also Footpath from Edge lane to Moss Hill floods.

Correspondence –

645 1. Traffic Order 22nd March, Tompkin Road in Stanley,

The meeting closed at 9.30pm

