

PARISH OF ENDON WITH STANLEY

Minutes of the Meeting of the Parish Council held at Endon Methodist Church on Tuesday 14th September 2021 at 7.00pm.

Present:

Cllrs. S Sillitoe (Chairman), J Sambrook (Vice Chair), V Harris, J Sillitoe, H Clulow, L Adams, S Carey, J Porter, A Church, from the floor K Flunder.

There were 6 members of the public in attendance.

Action

728 Apologies for absence D Spooner, E Durose, C Jebb, P Shemilt, B. Leese.

729 Declarations of Interest – None

730 Standing Orders - Disorderly Conduct

Following the August meeting of Endon with Stanley Parish Council all Councillors present at that meeting unanimously agreed that Cllr J Porter did disrespect both the Council as a body and the office of Chairman both by his behaviour and the language used. Complaints reported from Cllrs witnessing his behaviour described it as disgusting, deplorable threatening and out of control and are in full agreement that such behaviour will not be tolerated.

The Council therefore wish to clarify that should this Councillor behave in such a manner in future he will “no longer be heard” in accordance with Standing Order paragraph 32(b) and further occurrences will result in him being asked to leave the meeting in accordance with Standing Order paragraph 32(c)

The matter of SMDC funding for Sports Villages will not be discussed or debated further since the Parish Council’s bid has now moved forward into the planning stage and an update will be reported to the full Council by the Grounds and Amenities subgroup when appropriate.

731 Chairman's remarks.

SS thanked Sandra Neil for arranging the second Garage Safari. Jean Gibson has thanked the Parish Council for accommodating a memorial tree for her sister. Benches in the Lawn Cemetery have been refurbished and the seating area and garden are now complete.

SS

732 Public Forum

Standing Orders were suspended.

Mr G. Blood raised the issue of speeding on Clay Lake and the state of the pavement which he described as dangerous. PCSO Laura Peacock said that she would report the speeding issue to the Safety department and ask for some response. The Clerk said that the pavement had been reported but with no positive response.

SS

Mr Brian Brock asked about the possibility of planting trees along the A53.

JS

Initial response to his request from the landowner was negative. SS will make further enquiries. He also mentioned the issue with FP 83 and slurry covering the footpath. The Clerk has reported this and will chase.

733 Minutes of meeting held on 10th August 2021

The minutes were agreed unanimously.

734 Matters arising from the 10th August 2021 not on the agenda:

Every issue would be covered.

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Remembrance Sunday

The Chairman explained that last year's commemoration was held at Station Road Memorial playing fields with great success and would be repeated this year, organised by the Parish Council. A public address system and a bugler had been arranged and the Scouts and Guides were sending representatives. VH asked about the Church arrangements and SS said that it was an opportunity for all faiths and non-faiths to meet together as outlined by the Royal British Legion.

SS

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Grounds and Amenities

1. Playing Fields-Station Road

SS reported that new "self-closing" gate had been ordered for the playing field as it was a safety issue, and all outstanding orders should arrive shortly. PCSO Peacock reported that anti-social behaviour by a few had been addressed with families of the children involved informed. A memorial tree that had been up rooted has been replanted.

SS

DB

2. FP 83

No further response. Clerk to chase.

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Cllr Flunder reported to the meeting.

Standing Orders were suspended.

He was asked about Clay Lake and speeding and agreed that the PCSO should get involved but a survey would be required as to where a speed control van could be stationed. The footpath issue he would take up with the Clerk. Mrs Y Wilton mentioned that she had reported some metal covers to the water board, and they had responded. SS reported that the "Walking" transfer notices for the children's crossing at the top of Clay Lake had been ruled out. KF said other solutions would be looked at.

KF

The issue of Afghan refugees housed in the area was being addressed and hopefully information would be made available.

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Flood Action Group

KF and JS reported that one farmer would not allow flood defences to be on his land and this would make progress very difficult. The Moorlands MP, Karen Bradley, had supported the local flood initiative in the House of Commons, and it was agreed that KF talk to Jamie Cooper and then decide if contacting the MP would help.

DB

739 Finance

1. Report

This was accepted.

2. Grants granted by the Parish Council.

It was proposed by JS Sec J Sil and agreed unanimously, that up to £200 be given as grants this year with a maximum to any one organisation of £500

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740 Accounts and Expenses.

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Payments

D. Boulton	Sal	£ 742.40	
	Exps	£ 4.50	£ 746.90
HM Revenue & Customs (PAYE)			£ 214.44
J Gibson – Lengthsman	General	£ 781.90	
	Cemetery	£ 210.10	£ 992.00
BT – Telephone (DD)			£ 33.54
G Lancett - Gardener			£ 360.0
Dendrite Fabrications – Plaques (Cancelled cheque)			£ 100.00
Wicksteed – Stepping Post		£ 115.20	
	Toddler Express	£ 1071.00	
	Seat	£ 627.36	

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Cradle seat	£ 548.40	£2362.56	39
A Stretch – Painting Seat		£ 120.00	
Mazars – Audit fee		£ 360.00	

All payments were agreed.

741 Newsletter and Social Media

J. Sil

J.Sil. reported that the Newsletter is being put together from mid-October. Any contributions please contact J Sil.

742 Lengthsman and Maintenance.

DB

SS reported that several hedge cuttings had happened and/or should happen shortly. The footpath at Hedge Lane needs some attention (Clerk to contact Mr G Blood).

743 Planning.

JS took the meeting through the following applications:

Re SMD/2021/0487 Hallwater Farm Replacement Gates.

In principle we have no objection to the renewal of the gates as the current gates have no great heritage value being a comparatively new addition and are not attached to the listed building in anyway.

However, we do have concerns about the proposed colour as we feel the appearance of the new gates is too dark and should be more in keeping with the existing colour. Ideally, we would like to see the new gates in timber but recognise the maintenance issues involved. If they are to remain in steel could you tie these into a suitable RAL colour to reflect the existing.

Re SMD/2021/0528, Brook Cottage

No objections

744 Reports

SS reported that one bench for the canal needs installing. She was awaiting delivery of the final items for the Station Road play area and would arrange installation with the Lengthsman. More grass cutting was scheduled, SS/LA will discuss.

SS/LA

JP reported that Moorlands House reception had re opened and County/District Councillors would be arranging surgeries in the near future.

J Sil will attend Village Hall committee meeting for the Parish Council and when CCTV will be discussed.

745 Correspondence – Cllrs has received copies prior to the meeting

1. Road Traffic regulations re Hough Hill - Information

2. Email from Bagnall PC re Solar Energy Farms

Bagnall's suggestion that all local Parish Councils should recommend refusal of such applications was discussed and it was agreed that Endon's position was that all applications should be judged on their individual merit. Clerk will contact Bagnall PC.

The meeting closed at 9.15 pm.

Minutes approved at a meeting of the Council held on Tuesday 12th Oct 2021

Signed by the Chairman _____ Dated _____

