

PARISH OF ENDON WITH STANLEY

Minutes of the Meeting of the Parish Council held at Endon Methodist Church on Tuesday 8th March 2022 at 7.00pm.

Present:

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

Action

There were 3 members of the public in attendance plus the PCSO

The Chair asked the meeting to stand in silence to remember the situation in Ukraine and those affected by war throughout the world.

838 Apologies for absence. J Porter, D Spooner, A Church, P Shemilt

839 Declarations of Interest – None

840 Chairman's remarks.

SS reported that St Luke's headteacher had informed her that the school was a drop off point for Ukrainian help along with the Methodist Church and St Luke's Church on Sunday.

She thanked James Biddulph for planting 600 bulbs along the A53 and Park Lane. Cheddleton Parish Council had followed Endon's lead and had installed benches along the canal.

841 Public Forum

Standing Orders were suspended.

PCSO Georgina Cantrell reported that there were some issues with an empty cottage on Stoney Lane and this was being followed up along with some possible antisocial behaviour in the passage above Platts Avenue. The Clerk reported that the wall on this path had been damaged. Mrs Wilton asked about the bench opposite the High School and SS reported that this was in the process of being repaired by the Lengthsman. Mrs Wilton also reported that the bus timetables on the bus shelter needed attention and the road work signs had been left, sometimes weeks, after work appeared to have finished. Cllr Flunder to be informed.

DB

KF

Mr Smith asked about the trees planted on the "Dog Run" alongside Hillswood Playing Field and how they might, in the future, affect the light to his property. It was explained that advice was taken as to suitability and environmental issues and it was agreed by the Parish Council last year and put in the Newsletter. To date he is the only person who has raised a complaint. It was agreed that JS would look at the trees near Mr Smith's property and report back.

JS

842 Minutes of meeting held on 8th February 2022

The minutes were agreed.

843 Matters arising from the 8th February 2022 not on the agenda:

844 Grounds and Amenities

Playing Fields.

1. Litter

It would still appear that people are picking litter on the playing fields although it is one of the Lengthsman's responsibilities so that he can fully recycle the waste and note any items that need further action (e.g. Police involvement etc)

DB

Clerk asked to contact Cllr Porter regarding his "litter picking team".

2. Hillswood: The Queen's Green Canopy Plaque has been received and will be positioned at Hillswood.. SS informed the meeting that the application for a grant from the "Quarry" had been unsuccessful. The grant from Sports Villages (£6700) has been received . JS to contact Phil Berrisford and Clerk to raise an order so that the work on the Trim Trail can go ahead. SS
3. Village Hall and Stockton Brook Scout Headquarters security cameras: Waiting for further quotes. Clerk to chase Stockton Brook and J. Sil. to talk to Chairman of the Village Hall. DB
4. Notice Boards: JS reviewed the findings:
 Village and Stockton Brook OK. Hillside needs new Perspex front etc. Fountain needs front fixing etc. The same as Station Road. Stanley needs back changing and hedge cutting. Where needed the current backing would be removed and the metal backing painted and magnets used to fix notices. Quote of £350 was agreed unanimously, Prop JS, Sec. J.Sil. JS

Speeding- Brown Edge and Clay Lake

845 SS reported that the cost of the Speed Radar Gun would be £430. A discussion took place regarding the sharing of this cost as the equipment could be used by Brown Edge Parish Council as well as Endon. Cllr Flunder said that he may be able to help with the cost and he would approach Brown Edge PC over a contribution. It was proposed SS and agreed unanimously to purchase this equipment in order to progress the Speed Watch.

JS raised the issue of Speed warning signs as they all favoured traffic going towards Brown Edge and none would impact on Clay Lake. Cllr Flunder would take up this issue. KF

Cllr Flunder reported to the meeting.

846 Standing Orders were suspended

Cllr Flunder reported on various issues concerning road closures, Covid, Financial Strategy, Environmental policy and the Health and Community Hubbs.

He enquired, concerning the damage to The Well, if it was a listed building. JS to check. JS

847 Flood Action Group

JS reported that there had been no further developments.

Finance

848 The finance report was agreed

Cheq No

849 Accounts and Expenses.

Payments

D.Boulton	Sal	£ 928.00		
	Exps	£ 4.50		
	Queens Plaque	£ 120.99		
	Printer ink	£ 44.99	£1098.48	10980
	HM Revenue & Customs (PAYE)		£ 286.00	81
J Gibson – Lengthsman	General	£ 630.65		
	Cemetery	£ 25.99		
	District.	£ 28.00	£ 684.64	
BT – Telephone	(DD)		£ 33.54	82
Broxap-new bench	Stockton Brook		£ 746.40	DD
Staffordshire Parish Councils' Ass.			£ 399.14	83
Ebm – Printing Newsletter			£ 254.00	84
Endon Methodist Church – Room Hire			£ 75.00	85
Staffordshire CC- Radar Gun			£ 430.48	86
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850 Newsletter and social media

J.Sil. reported that the Newsletter was ready for distribution. He asked if anyone would volunteer to distribute could they get in touch. J. Sil asked if anyone knew of possible sponsors so that we could continue to publish in colour. JS suggested that if there were no sponsors we should go back to black and white.

J.Sil

851 Queen's Jubilee Celebrations

SS reported that the Parish Council had applied for an SMDC grant for £425 for which we had to state our intended use. We would have to wait until April before this was confirmed.

SS

There had been several requests for street parties but this was outside of the Parish Council's remit.

For the Parish Council's event a permit will be applied for. Unfortunately, she has been informed that all PCSOs are not on duty for these days but we have applied for officer patrols.

SS

Bagnall PC had approached us for help with purchasing a mug for each child in primary education. This would amount to a cost of over £1600. She had costed out the supply of special medallions at £400 for every child in this category. It was proposed JS Sec. ED and agreed unanimously, that medallions should be our choice

852 Lengthsman and Maintenance.

CJ asked if the bus stop flags could be cleaned. Clerk to action

DB

853 Reports

VH reported that the blocked footpath near Platts Avenue had been cleared but more work was required. The Clerk has reported this.

DB

JS reported that the sign near the Black Horse needs repairing. Andrew Stretch would do the work for £200. Agreed that JS liaise with Endonions over a 50/50 split of costs.

JP reported on a village collection of items for Ukrainian refugees, councillor and police surgeries. Platinum Jubilee funds made available by SMDC. He was informed that the PC had already applied (item 851).

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Correspondence

1. Keele University- Cemetery research- agreed that this could go ahead.

The meeting closed at 9.15 pm.

Minutes approved at a meeting of the Council held on Tuesday 11th April 2022 Signed

by the Chairman _____ Dated _____

