STAINTON & STREATLAM PARISH COUNCIL

Meeting held on 26th September 2018

Present J Rowlandson (JR) B Hutchinson (BH)

J Teasdale (JT) S Chapman (SC)(Clerk) J Brown (JB)

- 1. Apologies; None
- 2. Public present; None
- 3. Declarations of Interest: (in Agenda items) None received.

4. <u>Minutes of the last meeting</u>:- (23 July 2018) Proposed by NB Hutchinson and seconded by J Brown.

5. Matters arising from last meeting

- i. *Planning Application*. The application for the erection of an agricultural store on the outskirts of the village has been withdrawn. There were a large number of objections from local residents to the proposed building.
- ii. *Parish Council Website*. All material that had previously been uploaded to the initial website has now been transferred to the new one. This is not fully up and running yet but progress is being made and we will soon be uploading photos.
- iii. **Stainton in Bloom**. Residents at West Farm have taken on the responsibility for maintaining the planters located there and the planters on the village green have also been taken on by residents. The stone trough by Taylor's Cottage have also been 'adopted' and it is hoped that the remaining sites will also be taken on by local residents. At Stainton Grove the trough planter is still in good order but the smaller planters require some attention and possibly the addition of some more compost and then some winter pansies for some colour. The Community Association will try and get some support from locals and see if these planters can also be maintained by residents.

6. Playground

We are hoping to get some further plans and quotes for the refurbishment of the play area. The quote will also need to factor in the cost of removing redundant older equipment. It is possible that the swings can be refurbished and the council will look into other sources of funding for this project.

7. Stainton Quarry

DCC was contacted about perceived infringements of the quarry's operating conditions and asked to investigate further. However they have responded to say that they can find no evidence of ant breach of conditions and will therefore not be taking any action. A copy of this response will be posted on the village hall notice board and will also be uploaded to the PC website.

8. Financial Report: - Payments approved and made.

Balance of account at 30 August 2018 was £18,253.74

C A Stamp	Grass cutting	One cut + VAT	156.00
Playsafety	Fee	Playground inspection	79.80
Cdalc	Fee	Membership renewal	61.88

Cheques raised following this date brought the account balance to £17,956.06 as at 26 September

9. Any Other Business

- i. Once again there has been a complaint about vehicles speeding through the village and residents are enquiring about the possibility of traffic management. However as there have been no accidents or related injuries in past years DCC set it as very low priority for them to initiate a community speedwatch. There may be a possibility of a community fundraising effort towards getting a speedvisor if feeling was high enough.
- ii. There has been a report of a council worker, (not in this region) claiming that his cancer was caused by the chemicals in glyphosate weedkiller that he used in his job as a council groundsman. Any weedkiller used or supplied by this council will be checked to ensure it does not fall into this category.
- iii. Parking infractions seem to be on the increase in the village with multiple cars parked behind Streatlam close on what is technically part of the village green and as such prohibited. Also vehicles are frequently being parked on both sides of the road where it passes the playground resulting in a narrowing of the road at that point. There are no road markings to prohibit this but it is concerning.
- iv. A claim for the repayment of VAT will be made as soon as the totals are confirmed – VAT payments made in the past two years may be claimed for and will be claimed annually in future years.

Meeting closed at 9.00 pm.

FUTURE MEETING DATES		
15 th November 2018	17 th January 2019	
Stainton Village Hall	Stainton Grove Community Centre	
Parish Council Meeting 7.00pm	Parish Council Meeting 7.00pm	
21 st March 2019	23 rd May 2019	
Stainton Grove Community Centre	Stainton Village Hall	
Parish Council Meeting 7.00pm	ANNUAL PARISH MEETING – 7.00PM	
	Annual Parish Council Meeting 7.30pm	

Chairman Date