

STANTON & STREATLAM PARISH COUNCIL

TO: ALL MEMBERS OF STANTON AND STREATLAM PARISH COUNCIL

13 November 2019

Parish Clerk
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Dear Member,

Notice is hereby given that a meeting of Stainton and Streatlam Parish Council will be held in Stainton Grove Community Centre on Thursday 21st November at 7.00pm.”

Agenda

- 1. Public participation (approx. 15 minutes)**
- 2. To receive any apologies**
- 3. To receive any declaration of interests.**
- 4. To accept the minutes of the meeting held on 19th September 2019**
- 5. To report on any progress or changes to items raised at that meeting**
- 6. Correspondence**
- 7. Financial Report**
- 8. Correspondence**
- 9. Any arising issues – at the discretion of the Chair**

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Meeting held on 21st November 2019

Present	J Rowlandson (JR)	N B Hutchinson (NBH)	J Brown (JB)
	S Chapman (SC) (Clerk)	P A Bushby, SGCA	

1. Public participation; PA Bushby – for Stainton Grove Community Assoc.

Mrs Bushby attended to advise the Council of the imminent closure of the Community Association and to ask for the Council to take over responsibility for two areas of interest.

The first is the Military Memories of Stainton Grove heritage trail. This is a series of display panels around the estate detailing the part Stainton Grove played both during WW2 and after it. A small donation from the remaining Community Association funds will be given to the Parish Council for the purchase of weed killer etc to maintain the areas surrounding the display panels.

The second item is the wooden bus shelter on the estate that was provided by the Association for the benefit of parents and children who get the school bus from there. Members of the Association will re-felt the bus shelter roof and re-stain it so it is weather proofed before being handed over.

The Councillors present at this meeting agreed that the Council would take on these two items as in the main they are located within the parish boundaries. Mrs Bushby thanked the Councillors then left.

2. Apologies; J Teasdale (JT)

3. Declarations of Interest: - (in Agenda items) - None received.

4. Minutes of last meeting - (19th Sept 2019) Proposed by NBH seconded by JB.

5. Matters arising from last meeting

5.1 The Terms & Conditions of the Neighbourhood Budget grant need to be signed and emailed by return to enable the transfer of the funds. As soon as this is sanctioned the bill for the playground refurbishment can be settled.

5.2 The Clerk is authorised to apply for repayment of VAT incurred by the Council. This can be claimed on expenditure over the previous three years.

5.3 There has been no response to the Council's enquiries to find someone to refurbish the memorial bench on the village green so it was suggested that it be replaced by one similar to the benches the Council had replaced throughout the village. The family responsible for the current bench will need to be asked if they are happy for the Council to do this and it can be re-dedicated with a new memorial plaque. Action in 2020.

5.4 Regarding continued parking on the village green the Clerk will look for free-standing 'No Parking' signage for the village green to avoid any possible dispute with property owners if wall signs were used.

5.5 When the Community Association has ceased trading and the building returned to DCC, the planters and the stone trough will need to be relocated. Possibly two planters could be located either side of the bench by the bus shelter and the stone trough be relocated where the old phone box used to be, facing out onto the main road.

5.6 The planters & troughs located in Stainton village are to be planted with daffodils, pansies and primroses or similar ready for a spring display.

6. Correspondence

6.1 The Council’s registration with the Information Commissioner’s Office has been automatically renewed and a new certificate issued. No payment details were given so that will need to be checked on the next bank statement for entry into the accounts.

6.2 The Council will submit a Precept application for the current local tax base plus 20% for the 2020/2021 financial period.

6.3 A query to DCC regarding the possible importation of waste into the quarry has not as yet received a response.

6.4 Last season the grass-cuts exceeded the number that the Council thought would be sufficient to maintain the appearance of the grass verges. For the 2020 season the cuts will be capped at 12 and running from May through to October. An advert will be placed in the Teesdale Mercury in January requesting tenders for the grass-cutting in the village. A detailed plan of the cutting locations should be prepared for issue to anyone expressing an interest in tendering for the work.

7. Finance - Invoices approved for payment –

Sovereign Design	£15,167.34	CA Stamp 3 cuts	£468.00
Hammerite paint & labour	£150.00	Trough planting	£120.00
Clerk’s wage	£115.10	Poppy wreath	£25.00

8. Any Other Business

6.1 The sign for the playground has been damaged and is broken – this is possibly due to traffic passing.

6.2 DCC needs to be contacted regarding the lack of lighting at the junction of the A688 with road into the village. Clerk to action a.s.a.p.

9. Future Meetings

Parish Council Meeting 16th January 2020 <i>Stainton Village Hall 7.00pm</i>	
Parish Council Meeting 19th March 2020 <i>Stainton Village Hall</i> 7.00pm	ANNUAL PARISH MEETING -7.00PM 28th May 2020 <i>Stainton Village Hall</i> Annual Parish Council Meeting 7.30pm

Chairman

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