

**Minutes of the 246<sup>th</sup> meeting of the Stainton & Thornton Parish Council held on Tuesday, 13 August 2019 at 7pm in the Memorial Hall, Stainton**

Present: Parish Councillors - A. Liddle (Chair), C. Dean, A. Conroy, D. Coupe, R. Dennison. Clerk the Council - J. Holmes.

**57/19. Apologies and Declarations of Interest** – Cllrs. A. Cooper, B. Neale - (Holiday).

**58/19. Public Participation** – Opportunity for members of the public to address the Council – None

**59/19.** The **Minutes of the 245<sup>th</sup> meeting held on Tuesday 11 June 2019** were approved by the Parish Council and duly signed as a true record by the Chair after amendment. Item 51/19a Neighbourhood Plan, line 5 amended to read ‘ready for submission possibly in the year 2021.’

**60/19. Matters arising from the above Minutes.**

- a) **Neighbourhood Plan** – The Chair reported that the Neighbourhood Plan was still scheduled to be submitted later this year. The current hold and review on the preferred options in the MBC 2018 Local Plan should not affect the content of the Neighbourhood Plan as it is designed to be adjusted accordingly should there be any change to the preferred options review.
- b) **Fly Tipping Problems** – A reduction in the number of reported incidents was noted however the ‘hot spot’ near the garages in Vernon Court would continue to be monitored.
- c) **Dog Fouling Problems** – New signage, supplied by Middlesbrough Council, now on display at various locations throughout the village. Problems still persist.
- d) **Roadside Speed Display Unit** – Cllr. Coupe reported that MBC have installed fixing posts in Thornton and speed display units will be operating by the end of the month. Strait Lane will be the next location to be monitored.
- e) **Gala Day.** – To note that the village Gala Day held on 28.7.19. was well attended. The format and location appears popular and easier to manage.
- f) **Councillor Training** – Cllr. Dean reported on the Training Day he and Cllr. Neale attended on 19.6.19. at Preston Park Museum. Training material used should be available from CDALC. Clerk to source and circulate to all councillors.

**61/19. The Report of the Clerk to the Parish Council**

1. The following magazines are on circulation to Parish Councillors: Clerk & Councils Direct, The Clerk.

2. NALC circulars and information received from CLCA have been forwarded to all councillors where appropriate.

3. Financial Statement **13.8.19.**

Balance brought forward at 12.6.19. **£13586.01**

Income since last meeting: **Nil**

Expenditure since last meeting: **£782.35** Approval required.

19.6.19.	Memorial Hall	Hall hire	389	112.00
30.6.19.	J.Holmes	Salary (June)	390	235.03
30.6.19.	HMRC	PAYE	391	58.60
2.7.19.	CDALC	Cllr. Training	392	54.00
31.7.19.	J.Holmes	Salary (July)	393	234.83
31.7.19.	HMRC	PAYE	394	58.80
1.8.19.	M.Holmes	Compost	395	10.00
1.8.19.	J.Holmes	Raffle books	396	<u>19.09</u>
				<b>782.35</b>

**Balance:** Parish Council **£12803.66**

Invoices received (to settle):

C.Cutler – Website hosting June/July - £50.00

WAVE – Water charges KGG - £19.20 (DD)

*Resolved: All payments aforementioned approved*

4. Santander are currently reviewing governance on business accounts in relation to signatories. As in previous years there may be a requirement to provide proof of identity and address of signatories to our Business Account.

#### **62/19. Committee Reports:**

**Planning.** Recent planning applications received.

19/0466/FUL. 15 Meldyke Lane – Single extension to rear.

19/0467/FUL. 8 Low Farm Close – First floor extension to side.

19/0482/FUL. 10 Thornton Vale – Raising of chimney stack.

No objections by Parish Council.

Cllr. Coupe reported that the new housing developments at Elderwood Park (Taylor Wimpey) and Ashfield Park (Persimmon) off the Stokesley Road near the Gables pub are expanding, houses selling well. Phase 3 of Rose Cottage (Taylor Wimpey) is nearing completion.

**Environment.** – The head of Middlesbrough Council Environmental Services, Geoff Field had been looking at the area in Fawcett Avenue where diseased trees had been removed. Parish Council needed a commitment from MBC to replace diseased trees. Cllr Coupe to follow this

Cllr. Dennison asked what progress had been made about grey water being discharged into the beck at Kell Gate Green from grounds of Stainton House. Middlesbrough Council and Environment Agency had been informed. Cllr. Liddle to make enquiries with MBC.

Chair reported that groundwork at 8 Hemlington Road, recently sold by auction, had resulted in trees being removed. Middlesbrough Council were investigating as these premises are sited within a conservation area.

**Crime and Disorder** – Thefts of garden furniture and wheelie bins from the High Rifts area were noted. Anti-social behaviour with fires in the Quarry and Maelor's Wood had been reported and police were aware. Residents are urged to report incidents to the police rather than use social media which tends to exaggerate problems.

**63/19 Friends of Stainton & Thornton Green Spaces**

Chair reported that the FSTGS group held their AGM on 8 .7.19. A sub group had been formed and held their first meeting earlier today to discuss ideas to enhance the locality using the 106 monies recently received. Projects such as tree replacement and village signage were under consideration. The next meeting of this sub group was scheduled for next month.

Three students from Kings Academy, supervised by members of Erimus Rotary Club, Middlesbrough had engaged in a Community Action Week at the end of June doing various environmental tasks at Thornton T junction flower bed, Strait Lane flower bed, Maelor’s wood animal sculptures as well as siting and planting up a new planter in Rose Cottage development.

Cllr. Conroy reported that the maintenance schedule to maintain parish council assets (seats, noticeboards etc) was progressing well. Councillors agreed to continue with the maintenance agreement between the Parish Council and FSTGS at a cost of £500 per annum. The annual donation of £200 to FSTGS in respect of fuel and equipment was also agreed.

*Resolved: The maintenance agreement at a cost of £500 and the donation of £200 to the Friends of Stainton and Thornton Green Spaces (FSTGS) authorised.*

**64/19. Cleveland Local Councils Association** – Chair reported he attended a meeting of the CLCA at the Cleveland Community Safety Hub on 25.6.19. where the main topic was about the training opportunities available for councils. Future CLCA meetings would continue to be held at the Safety Hub which is within our area and easy for councillors to access.

**65/19. Middlesbrough Council Committees** – Chair reported that parish councillors could be nominated to serve on the MBC Standards Committee and also the Local Plan Working Group. As Cllr. Coupe served on both committees in his role as Ward Councillor it was agreed that no other parish councillor needed nomination.

**66/19. Date and Time of Next Meeting** – Tuesday 8 October 2019. 7pm in the Memorial Hall. (Chair, Cllr. Liddle not available – holiday.)

The Chair formally closed the meeting at 9pm

Agreed and signed as a true record ..... Date .....

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