

NOTICE

Stanton St Bernard Parish Council – Parish Council Meeting

Thursday 28 July 2016 at 7.30pm

Stanton St Bernard Village Hall

AGENDA

Items to be considered

1. Those present
2. Apologies for absences
3. Minutes (to confirm the minutes of the meeting held on 12 May 2016)
4. Matters arising
5. Police report
6. Wiltshire Councillor's Report – Paul Oatway
7. Finance
 - Bank Reconciliation
8. Village hall and village matters
9. Any other business
 - Dog's mess around the village
 - Rubbish in bus shelter
 - State of hedges
 - along Coate Road
 - from the farm to the main road
 - on corner cottage
 - Grant to be applied for by the Village Hall Committee – location of bench
 - Flag pole – etiquette and responsibilities (e.g. on occasions when flags may need to be at half-mast – this may be a Village Hall Committee responsibility rather than Parish Council)
 - Emergency Plan update
10. Date of next meeting

**Minutes of Parish Council Meeting held on 28 July 2016
in the Village Hall, Stanton St Bernard**

- 1. Present** Councillors: Mr Bryan Read, Chairman
Mrs Joyce Hale, Vice-Chairman
Mrs Wendy Tarver
Mr Adam Pratt
Mr Dominic Hawker
- Parish Clerk: Mrs Karyn Bidmead
- In attendance: Mr Paul Oatway (Wiltshire Councillor)
- 2. Apologies** There were no apologies
- 3. Minutes** The minutes of the previous Parish Council meeting held on 12 May 2016 were read and approved, having been proposed by Mrs Wendy Tarver and seconded by Mr Adam Pratt.
- 4. Matters arising** There were no matters arising
- 5. Police Report** No police report was available for discussion.
- 6. Wiltshire Councillor's Report** Mr Paul Oatway addressed the meeting as follows:
- Plans for the Pewsey Campus are currently going through planning following which the building will go out to tender. A unit at Fordbrook Industrial Estate will be used as a temporary gymnasium during the period the sports centre is closed.
 - The Everleigh Household Recycling Centre will be open until 2017
 - He is currently pushing for a 20 mile per hour speed limit in Woodborough.
 - He is also fighting for gritting on the road running from the Woodbridge Inn, North Newton to Alton Barnes
 - It has been agreed that the roads in Upavon and approaching are to be resurfaced
- 7. Finance** The state of the accounts as at the date of the meeting stand at:
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| Bank: | £5,686.43 |
| Special Fund: | £99.93 |
| Total: | £5,786.36 |
- Bank Reconciliation
A bank reconciliation was circulated and reviewed, and having been agreed by all was signed. A copy is attached and forms part of these minutes.
- 8. Village Hall and village matters**
- Mrs Joyce Hale presented details of a generator which would be suitable for use by both the Village Hall and the Church in the case of an emergency as part of the Village Emergency Plan. The estimate is for a 52 KVA 3 Phase Generator at £13,000,

without installation costs.

It was agreed that Mr Dominic Hawker would obtain installation quotes from two electricians and Mr Bryan Read will obtain firm quotes for the recommended generator.

Thereafter, Mr Dominic Hawker will complete the grant application on behalf of the Parish Council which needs to be submitted by September latest.

9. Any other business

- Dog's mess around the Village

It was noted that various villagers had contacted Mr Nick Bidmead (in his capacity as running the village website and sending village emails) regarding the increasing amount of dog's mess left around the village on roads, verges and also in private drives of villagers who do not own dogs.

It was noted that a gentle email reminder had been sent to all villagers who subscribe to the village email, reminding dog walkers that by law they are required to clear up after their dogs, however this seemed to have had little effect as the problem was still ongoing.

It was noted that a number of general walkers (unrelated to the village) walk through the village with their dogs and that there is little that can be done to stop them if they do not clear up after their dogs, however it was agreed that the Parish Council would send a formal notice around the village asking dog walkers from the village to be responsible for clearing up after their dogs and be aware of other villagers, and that if anyone had any particular concerns regarding this issue to contact a Parish Councillor.

- Rubbish in Bus Shelter

It was noted that following the village litter picking in April, that the bus shelter was full of rubbish which had been dumped in bin liners which had subsequently been torn open by rodents. Mrs Wendy Tarver explained she had reported this to Wiltshire Council last week, but to date the rubbish had not been cleared.

Mr Adam Pratt said if the rubbish had not been cleared by the weekend he would clear it himself. This was gratefully accepted, but it noted that the rubbish build up has been an ongoing problem for a number of years.

It was suggested that the only solution may be to remove the bus shelter, but before having to make the decision whether or not this should be done, that notice be put up in the bus shelter for people not to leave rubbish failing which the shelter would be removed. Mr Bryan Read will organise a suitable sign and it was agreed this should be reviewed at the next Parish Council Meeting

- State of hedges

- Along Coate Road – it was noted that Wiltshire Council had cut back the verges a few weeks ago, but they did not seem to have done a very successful job and they were overgrown again. It was also noted that some verges had not been cut back at all. Mr Bryan Read said he would look at the hedges to see if they needed cutting back as this could be a reason why the verges had not been cut back far enough and were overgrown again so quickly.

- From the farm to the main road – Mr Bryan Read will arrange for this to be cut back.

- On corner cottage

It was agreed that the Parish Clerk contact Wiltshire Council and ask them to recut the verges along the whole of Coate Road to corner cottage.

- Grant to be applied for by the Village Hall Committee

It was noted that various locations around the village had been proposed, and after

discussion it was agreed that the most suitable, and the one which was most likely to be used, was by the phone box assuming that the closest residents did not have any objections.

Details for a number of benches were circulated which may be suitable, and it was agreed the Parish Clerk obtain firm quotes for consideration and thereafter complete the grant application.

- Village Community Emergency Plan

Paul Oatway said he would arrange for contractors to clear the culvert by the children's playground which has silted up by approximately one third, concern having been raised regarding the possible risk to flooding to the cottage located next to it.

10. Date of next meeting

The date of the next meeting was set for Thursday 17 November 2016 at 7.30pm at the Village Hall.

Termination

There being no further business for discussion the meeting was closed.

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Chairman

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