STALMINE-WITH-STAYNALL PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the meeting of the Parish Council held on Tuesday 10 November 2020 at 7.00pm via Zoom video conference.

Present: Cllrs T Williams (Chairman), D Booth, F Cardwell, A Morton, S Pelham,

J Wilson.

In attendance: Alison May, clerk to the council.

72(1) Apologies for absence

None.

73(2) Declaration of interests and dispensations

Cllr Williams, Cllr Pelham, Cllr Booth application 20/01026/FUL.

74(3) Minutes of the last meeting

Councillors **resolved** to approve as a correct record the minutes of the meeting held on 13 October 2020.

75(4) Public participation

Resolved to close the meeting to allow members of the public to speak.

The problem of anti-social behaviour on the playing field and playing field car park was raised. The clerk reported that a letter had been sent to Lancashire police requesting an update on the action taken regarding problems earlier in the year and a response was being chased.

The issue of walkers straying from the public footpath on to private land at the Heads was raised. The clerk reported that signs were on order from LCC to ensure the route is fully waymarked. LCC had reported that the signs have been delayed because of the need to create signage for the pandemic and that the second lockdown meant that Covid signage had to take priority. Councillors plan a site visit at the Heads once lockdown measures are eased.

Resolved to reopen the meeting.

76(5) Planning

Application number: 20/00993/FUL Proposal: Single-storey side extension

Location: Damson Cottage, Back Lane, Stalmine, Poulton-le-Fylde, Lancashire

Resolved: The council raised no objections to this application.

Application number: 20/01026/FUL

Proposal: Change of use of land for the siting of two holiday chalets

(re-submission 20/00369/FUL)

Location: Field west of New Road, Wardleys Lane, Stalmine, Poulton-le-Fylde FY6 9DX

Cllrs Williams, Booth and Pelham left the meeting

Resolved: The council objected to this application on the grounds that it believes the development would detrimentally impact the visual amenity of the area and harm the rural character of this countryside location. The implied benefits to users of the chalets do not

outweigh the negative impact to the environment. Neither is there evidence of the financial viability of such a development. Councillors were also concerned that given there are no on-site facilities and the location is geographically isolated, multiple vehicle journeys will be required along very narrow country lanes to access facilities. Wardleys Lane is a 3m-wide carriageway with no passing places and councillors believed that this is too narrow for large, possibly adapted, vehicles to use regularly.

Cllrs Williams, Booth and Pelham rejoined the meeting

77(6) Finance

Councillors resolved:

a) To note that the VAT refund of 1314.77 was received in September.

b) To approve the following payments:

Via Zoom conference – November

	Chqs	
October Payroll	00049,00050, 00052	£1005.27
Clerk's October expenses (on behalf of council)	00051	£290.74
Lengthsman's October expenses		
(SLN on behalf of council)	00053	£24.20
Plantsman (MS) Oct invoice	00054	£262.20
Wyre Building Supplies Ltd (Inv.0257132;0261525		
0261975)	00055	£41.90
Stalmine Village Hall (Inv. 4 Oct)	00056	£120.00
c) To approve the following payments by direct debit:		
Easy Websites (monthly hosting fee, six councillors) increased in October		£42.00

- **d) To note** the statement of accounts for month ending 31 October 2020: Yorkshire Bank £45,185.98
- **e)** To approve the Q2 review of expenditure as accurately reflecting the financial transactions in July, August and September and to accept the budget monitoring statement. No budget heads were overspent, therefore no further action was required.

78(7) Draft budget for 2021/22

The clerk talked councillors through the first draft of the budget for next year and the anticipated expenditure within each of the budget heads. Councillors **resolved** to approve the draft pending the update of actual expenditure in January and a review of the s106 agreement that may enable a bus shelter to be provided without need to precept for the funds. The budget to be finalised at the January meeting.

79(8) Woodland signage

At the meeting councillors were made aware that work is continuing on the drawings for the signs.

Resolved: for the clerk to seek costings for a display board measuring approximately 80cm x 50cm.

80(9) Woodland survey

Resolved: for the clerk to seek quotations from three companies to create a 10-year management plan for Stalmine Wood. Cllr Wilson to approach Tom Myerscough regarding a possible walk-through of the wood in mid-December.

81(10) Request for assistance

Resolved: to postpone this item for discussion until the December meeting.

ITEMS FOR INFORMATION ONLY

82(11) Reports from outside bodies/councils

Cllr Booth reported that she would be attending Hambleton Flood Forum on 10 November.

83(12) Clerk's report

Councillors noted:

Road closure

Temporary road closure on Union Lane, Out Rawcliffe, from 0900 on 26 October until 1700 on 13 December or until completion.

Tree work

The second phase of the work to remove diseased and dying trees and to thin out the undergrowth has been postponed until the ground conditions are suitable for the machinery to gain access.

Planters and beds

The plantsman has partially filled the beds with well-rotted horse manure and topped them up with compost ready for replanting. He has started an autumn prune of established beds.

The lengthsman has replaced the wooden surround on the waterwheel bed ready for planting.

84(13) Questions for councillors

Cllr Pelham updated councillors on her attendance in a personal capacity at the November Wyre planning committee meeting.

Cllr Pelham asked if it was possible to discuss the recent planning application for Occupation Lane and was informed that it was already on December's draft agenda. Cllr Morton raised the recent item from Wyre Council regarding suitable locations for establishing off-road vehicle charging points. It was suggested that the village hall met the necessary criteria, however problems with parking in the hall car park mean that consideration is being given to closing it off to non-village hall users. It was suggested that Ashleigh Close may be a suitable location if part of the grass verge is taken away.

85(14) Items for next agenda

Councillors were asked to raise matters to be included on the agenda for the next meeting of the Parish Council either at the meeting or by notifying the clerk at least 10 days prior to the next meeting (**Friday 27 November at the latest**), with a summary of the reason for raising the matter.

86(15) Date and time of next meeting

The next meeting of the Parish Council will be on **Tuesday 8 December 2020** at 7.00pm via Zoom.

There being no other business the chairman closed the meeting at 8.40pm.