STALMINE-WITH-STAYNALL PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the meeting of the Parish Council held on Tuesday 10 October 2017 at 7.00pm at the Village Hall, Stalmine

Present: Cllrs D Forshaw (Chairman), D Booth, A Haydock, K Jenkinson, S Pelham and T Williams

In Attendance: Alison May, Clerk to the Council

059(2017-18) Apologies for Absence

060(2017-18) Declaration of Interests and Dispensations

None.

061(2017-18)) Minutes of the last meeting

Resolved: that the minutes of the meeting held on 12 September 2017 be agreed as a true record.

062(2017-18) Public participation (including police eport)

Councillors **resolved** to adjourn the meeting to allow members of the public to bring matters relating to the agenda to the attention of the council.

Councillors noted the police report for the month of September.

On the conclusion of public participation councillors **resolved** to reconvene the meeting.

062(2017-18) Representation at Halite meetings

Cllr Forshaw and Cllr Pelham attended the first meeting of Halite's community liaison panel on 2 October at the North Euston Hotel, Fleetwood, after expressing an interest in representing Stalmine-with-Staynall Parish Council on the panel. Councillors **resolved** to give approval for these two councillors to represent Stalmine-with-Staynall Parish Council at any future Halite meetings.

063(2017-18) Flood prevention support at Wardley's Pool

Cllr Williams reported that the Environment Agency had cleaned out the dyke system and Wardley's Pool and he had been informed that it is looking to repeat the exercise in June or July of 2018. Councillors **resolved** that a letter of thanks be sent from the chairman for the work done to date and asking for confirmation of the proposed works next year.

064(2017-18) Litter bin on playing field

Councillors discussed the benefits of having a bin on the playing field after the removal of the previous bin by LCC to the other side of Hall Gate Lane. A number of bins were looked at in the brochure and councillors **resolved** that the clerk obtain a price from Glasdon for the bin selected.

065(2017-18) Projects for 2018/19

The draft budget for 2018/19 will initially be considered at the December meeting and the costs of projects that councillors might wish to undertake need to be calculated by the end of November at the latest. Councillors **resolved** that the litter bin, a new flower bed and additional funding towards a bus shelter be included as projects to be funded from next year's budget. Further ideas would be considered up to and including the November meeting.

066(2017-18) Christmas lights switch-on

Councillors **resolved** that the Christmas lights switch-on would be on 4 December at 6pm and for a donation to be made to the Over Wyre Band should it agree to play at the event, along with the provision of a Christmas tree and any necessary replacement lights.

067(2017-18) Changes to bank mandate

The current bank mandate included approval for the previous clerk - Jan Finch - to be an authorised signatory on behalf of the council. Now that Jan has retired councillors **resolved** that she be removed from the mandate.

068(2017-18) Clerk's authority to transfer between bank accounts

Councillors **resolved** that the clerk transfer funds between the council's accounts. A letter for the bank, authorising approval, was signed at the meeting.

069(2017-18) Planning applications

17/00351/FUL

Proposal: Erection of a garage, wood store and greenhouse

Location: Brick House Farm, Brick House Lane, Hambleton, Poulton-le Fylde

It was agreed that the parish council has no objections to the proposal.

17/00846/FUL

Proposal: Retention of existing living accommodation to form ancillary 'annexe' to main house and

subsequent change of use of land to form residential curtilage

Location: Carters Farm, Old Toms Lane, Stalmine, Poulton le Fylde

It was agreed that the parish council has no objections to the proposal.

070(2017-18 Finance

a) Councillors noted the following receipts:	
Current account (transfer from reserve account)	5000
Business reserve account interest	0.59
General reserve account interest	4.24

b) Councillors approved the following payments:	Cheque	
Clerk's salary	001406	188.53
Clerk's expenses (on behalf of council)	001406	10.00
Lengthsman's salary (SLN)	001407	335.93
Lengthsman's expenses (SLN on behalf of council)	001407	33.10
Extra Lengthsman's salary (BH)	001408	205.70
Extra Lengthsman's expenses (BH on behalf of council)	001408	19.00
HMRC	001409	448.00
Fleetwood High School (inv. 170035)	001410	22.32
Preesall TC (inv.17/02)	001411	6.87
Wyre Building Supplies Ltd (inv. 138975; inv 139372)	001412	12.40

c) Councillors noted the following payments by standing order:	
Easy websites (monthly hosting fee)	24.00

d) Councillors noted the statement of accounts for month ending September 2017	
Current account	3449.35
Business Reserve account	32241.08
General reserve account	3403.01

071(2017-18) Reports from outside bodies (for information)

Cllr Forshaw and Cllr Pelham circulated paperwork from the Halite meeting (copies of which are held by the clerk) and reported that there will be a technical meeting in November, with the next community liaison panel meeting being in January.

072(2017-18) Clerk's report (for information) Lengthsman's update

The lengthsman has reported that he has found a support bar for the goal posts in the woods which has now been returned to Wyre Villa. The noticeboard has been tampered with, necessitating remedial work to ensure that it is secure. Littering is on the increase throughout the Parish.

Rural Health Survey 2017

Rural residents are more concerned about declining healthcare services than any other issue, according to the preliminary results of a wide-ranging survey.

Health topped the list of the topics of most concern to rural residents – ahead of public transport, rural housing and rural crime.

The survey of 1,901 people was conducted on behalf of Rural England Community Interest Company in partnership with the Rural Services Network.

The survey – believed to be the largest of its kind for many years – highlighted a range of issues with health services of most concern to respondents. Full findings are due to be published later this autumn.

The aim of the survey was to canvass rural opinion with a view to creating, for the first time it is believed, a statistically valid representative panel of people to highlight the need for the adequate provision of rural public services and other policy issues affecting rural areas.

Councillors also asked the clerk to chase a response from Lancashire County Council inspect of reducing the speed limit on Carr End Lane. It was reported that there had been yet another accident in the area resulting in the air ambulance having to be called.

073(2017-18) Exclusion of the press and public

Pursuant to s1(2) of the Public Bodies (Admissions to Meetings) Act 1960, the council may resolve to exclude the press and public to discuss an employment matter. As no members of the press or public were present councillors did not close the meeting; as the discussion related to an employee the matter will be recorded on green paper to comply with Data Protection Act requirements.

074(2017-18) Items for next agenda

Councillors asked for the following matters to be included on next month's agenda: Royal Air Force centenary celebrations, bus shelter provision on Old Toms Lane and litter bin potential costs.

075(2017-18) Date and time of next meeting

The next meeting of the Parish Council will be on **Tuesday 14 November 2017** at 7.00pm.

There being no further business the Chairman closed the meeting at 8.10pm.