

**STAINBOROUGH PARISH COUNCIL**  
**Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on 6<sup>th</sup> April 2023**  
**At Hood Green Pavilion commencing 7.00 p.m.**

**Present:** Councillors Mr S Lockwood-Dukes, Mrs D Winder, Mrs A Riley, Mr A Kirk, one resident and A Sturdy (Clerk)

**1841 Apologies for Absence and Declarations of Interest on items on the agenda:**

There were no apologies for absence. No disclosures of personal and prejudicial interests were declared.

**1842 Minutes of the Meeting held Tuesday 28<sup>th</sup> February 2023 :** The minutes of the meeting held on 28<sup>th</sup> February, having been previously circulated, were approved as a true record and signed.

**1843 Matters arising from the minutes not on the agenda**

- A question was raised regarding the discrepancy between the % increase on the Precept agreed by the Parish Council and the actual increase shown on BMBC Council Tax bills. The Clerk explained that this was resultant from changes in residents' paying Council Tax e.g. single occupancy, properties changing Council Tax band etc between the Precept request and setting the amount.
- The memorial bench of the Boswell family, agreed to be placed in the Recreation Ground, has been installed and there should be enough space around for the mowing machine.

**1844 Items from Members of the Public**

No issues raised.

**1845 Neighbourhood Policing /local crime**

Residents had reported suspicious activity in Hood Green, reported to South Yorkshire Police. Clerk liaised with local Policing team with up to date information. South Yorkshire Police provided information regarding recent incidents including door to door sellers. Advice: report any suspicious activity via 101 or the South Yorkshire Police website.

**1846 Hood Green Pavilion**

Current bookings included one full weekend and the polling station for the election.

Discussions held around possible use of the Pavilion including coffee mornings and a book club.

**Resolved:** ask Age UK if a coffee morning or similar event could be held one morning.

**Resolved:** Poster for the noticeboards agreed to advertise the use of the Pavilion.

**Resolved:** wording of thanks agreed for the Parish website regarding music provision during last year's Jubilee celebrations.

**Resolved:** apply for Smart Meter. Cllr Winder will be at the appointment.

**1847 Recreation Ground**

The Clerk has requested an estimate from T&D Contractors for cutting the hedges of the recreation ground. Estimate awaited.

**1848 Playground**

The Clerk had contacted BMBC regarding advice or possible visit from the Parks Dept to look at the playground equipment and any available funding for replacement of the A frame. The names of two playground installers have been given. **Resolved:** Clerk to contact installers for advice and quotes.

**1849 Roads/ Highways Issues**

The Clerk attended an update meeting regarding the proposed road rally in December. Further details will follow after the next update meeting, as a public information meeting for residents to obtain details and raise concerns is planned. **Resolved:** the Parish Council are prepared to host a public meeting for local residents if required.

The route of the Tractor Rally to be held on Sunday 16<sup>th</sup> April is planned through Hood Green. **Resolved:** advise on website.

**1850 Footpaths and Rights of Way Issues**

The Clerk updated the meeting on the situation regarding the footpath at Railways Cottages, Gilroyd Lane. BMBC have confirmed it is not a Public Right of Way nor a Permissive Path so have no powers to unblock the path. **Resolved:** no further action required.

**1851 Trees/Hedges/Vegetation Issues**

**Resolved:** Thanks to Cllr and Mrs Lockwood-Dukes for their work with Twiggs on the War Memorial, Hood Green and a note of thanks to be sent to Twiggs.

**1852 Hanging Baskets**

Still awaiting an update from BMBC regarding the audit of lamp posts. Due to location of lamp posts, it was agreed that there would be 4 baskets in Stainborough and 8 in Hood Green, provided lamp posts have been approved for use.

**1853 Bins and Waste Issues**

No reply received from Ward Councillors following request for support regarding issues with bins and dog bins. **Resolved:** resend e-mail request.

**1854 Planning applications received since agenda produced**

None

**1855 Information on previous planning applications**

**Approved**

2023/0058: Wentworth Castle Gardens, Lowe Lane, Stainborough S75 3ET

: Repair works to battlements including rebuilding and reinstating several crenelations (Listed Building Consents)

2023/0059: Wentworth Castle Gardens, Park Drive, Stainborough S75 3EN

: Removal of existing boarding to the window and door openings of the Orangery and reinstatement of timber sash windows (Listed Building Consent)

**Under consideration**

2021/1505 : Plot B, site off Dance Lane, Crane Moor

2023/0024 : 5 Castle Drive, Hood Green, S75 3EY

**1856 Finance:**

(i) BMBC Rates invoice 2023-2024 Hood Green Pavilion (£298.65) received. **Resolved:** payment approved for payment.

(ii) Current bank information – the Clerk confirmed the recent mandate had been sent to the bank.

(iii) The Parish Council’s current auditor, Mr Robson, has agreed to audit Stainborough Parish Council’s accounts. **Resolved:** Mr Robson appointed as internal auditor for 2022-2023 audit

**(iii) Payments to be authorised**

**Resolved:** the payments and receipts shown below be approved for payment or noted.

**Payments by direct debit to be noted**

Eon Next (DD 21<sup>st</sup> March 2023) £ 26.53

**Payments for approval**

Clerk salary (March 2023) £ 187.50

Clerk’s expenses (March 2023) £ 14.64

Barnsley MBC, Non-Domestic Rates 2022/23 (+£14.22) £ 298.65

YLCA, Membership Subscription £ 138.00

**Receipts**

Precept to be advised when received £5,225.00

**1857 Parish Council Elections**

The Clerk noted the Parish Council that elections would take place on Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> May 2023. Nomination forms for the Parish Council were taken into the Election Office, BMBC. Cllrs Lockwood-Dukes, Winder, Riley and Shaw have been elected as Parish Councillors for Stainborough Parish Council, and the new terms of office begin on 10<sup>th</sup> May 2023.

**1858 Proposed dates of Parish Council meetings 2023-24**

Dates proposed, to be approved at the May Annual meeting:

Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> June 2023

Thursday 31<sup>st</sup> August 2023

Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> October 2023

Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> December 2023

Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> January 2024

Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> March 2024

Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> May 2024

**1859 Correspondence:**

None

**1860 Any other business:**

None

The Chairman on behalf of the Parish Council thanked Cllr Kirk, who was not seeking re-election in May, for all his contribution to the work of the Parish Council during his time in office.

**1861 Venue, Date and Time of next meeting:** The next meetings will be the Parishioners Meeting prior to the Annual Meeting to be held at Hood Green Pavilion on **Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> May 2023** at 7.00pm.