

STAINFORTH PARISH COUNCIL

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Minutes of the Stainforth Parish Council Meeting held in the Village hall, Stainforth, on Tuesday 8th October 2024 at 7.00pm. Page 1

Present – A. Horsfall (Chairman), S. Warren, C. Smith, D. Staveley (North Yorkshire Councillor), A. Blackburn (Clerk), no public present.

63/24. Apologies for Absence – A. Sharp, I. Black..

64/24. Code of Conduct – Localism Act 2011

To record any councillor's dis-closable pecuniary interests in regard to any item on this agenda. To consider any changes in members' register of interests and to consider any associated dispensations. Cllr Smith declared an interest in item 69/24 – village hall solar panels. Council approved her remaining but not voting on the item.

65/24. Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on the 10th September 2024.

Council resolved to approve the minutes.

66/24. Matters Arising & Actions.

Ref:54/24 – The right of way access lane past Ribblesdale House has now been surface repaired.

67/24. Public Participation.

No items presented.

68/24. North Yorkshire Councillor Report. The Chairman deferred this item.

69/24. Stainforth Village Hall – solar panels (council to consider funding request).

Council discussed the solar panel funding and considered the PC budget projection as presented by the clerk. Cllr Staveley suggested that there may be funding available for the village hall solar panels via the 'Decarbonisation Grant' as offered through the York & North Yorkshire Mayoral Authority, the village hall committee to liaise with Cllr Staveley.

68/24. North Yorkshire Councillor Report. The Chairman moved to this item.

Cllr Staveley had prepared his report and would circulate to members.

The principal authorities may be under pressure to raise their precept above recent levels in order to balance the books, this will depend on outcomes following the government's budget at the end of October.

70/24. Foster Poor & Close.

Council discussed ways to benefit the Stainforth community through this funding provision. A bench seat to be placed on the West Green was suggested but was considered not appropriate usage for the funding.

Council consensus is for a Christmas tree & solar lights for the East green and including a Christmas social event including mince pies & drinks in the village hall.

Action – clerk to liaise with village hall committee.

71/24. Yorkshire Dales National Park Planning Applications (no new applications).

72/24. Financial Statement & Invoices for Payment.

Council resolved to approve the financial statement including invoices for October.

Action – Clerk to process payments.

73/24. Correspondence.

Police Report

11/09/24 – RTC/sudden death – Stainforth – single cyclist.

18/09/24 – Concern for welfare/ safety – young person – area searched.

HSBC – banking charge for September - £8

Vehicle charging – a request to approve an electric vehicle charging cable to run past a property boundary wall whilst charging a vehicle. The clerk had recommended the applicant contact North Yorkshire Council Highways in the first instance to determine if the vehicle would be parked on a publicly maintained highway.

YDNPA – Autumn forum invitation – members to consider attending.

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73/24. Correspondence (continued).

Cllr Smith highlighted the 'call to action – speeding' email that had requested support from councils within North Yorkshire for average speed cameras to be installed.

Council considered the request and resolved to support this group in their endeavour.

Action – clerk to liaise.

74/24. Highways, Street Lighting & Maintenance.

Allotment path.

The clerk reported that all the allotments were now occupied and the communal paths had been trimmed.

Vehicle obstruction.

An enquiry had been received regarding a vehicular obstruction on a lane which could be unadopted. The clerk reiterated the advice that had been given by the Police in cases of obstruction.

1) If the vehicle is causing an obstruction on a public highway then this should be reported to the Police.

2) If the vehicle is causing an obstruction on a track/ lane that is unadopted then this is potentially a civil matter and the owner of the land should be consulted.

Defibrillator.

The clerk reported that the defibrillator has been checked recently and is in good condition.

Goat Scar Lane

Cllr Smith highlighted the grass overgrowth affronting the council bench seat up Goat Scar Lane. Council resolved for this to be trimmed.

Action – clerk to liaise with contractor.

75/24. The Date of the Next Parish Council Meeting – Tuesday 12th November 2024.

Meeting closed 8.25 pm

Chairman