STAINFORTH PARISH COUNCIL

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Minutes of Stainforth Parish Council Meeting held in the Village Hall on Tuesday 8th March 2022 at 7.00pm.

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Councillors present – S. Smith (Chairman), A. Sharp, S. Warren, A. Horsfall, D. Uren D. Staveley (North Yorkshire County Council), A. Blackburn (Clerk), Public present – none. After opening the meeting the Chairman reflected on the recent death of Carole Beattie who was a previous Chairman of Stainforth Parish Council and he expressed sympathy to her family and friends on behalf of the Council.

92/21. Apologies for Absence – all present.

93/21. 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 - Nothing declared.

94/21. **Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on the 11th January 2022**. Council resolved to approve the minutes.

95/21. Matters Arising.

Ref 84/21 – The Chairman & Clerk had inspected the allotment gardens for plot numbers and size, the consensus was to liaise with the tenant of plot 2 to determine future use/ size. Council to discuss during item 99/21.

96/21. Public Participation.

Residents had conveyed disappointment at the lack of response by Highways to the increasing number of pot holes in the road approaching the village hall.

Action - Clerk to liaise with Highways.

Cllr Uren reiterated the litter situation at the Foss and the need to implement measures to reduce the litter.

Action – Cllr Uren to liaise with Knight Stainforth Campsite, the Clerk to liaise with Craven District Council Waste Management regarding the provision of a litter bin, with further discussion at the next PC meeting.

97/21. District/ County Councillor Report.

Cllr Staveley submitted the County & District reports, Clerk to upload to website.

Cllr Staveley reported that B4RN were to install super fibre broadband to the Lime Kiln development at Langcliffe. The Clerk added that he had received a notification from Clarke Telecom that they were to apply to install a mobile telecommunications mast at Selside which would bring 4G to Upper Ribblesdale.

98/21. Holiday Let Properties – Council charges.

Council discussed the problem regarding the purchase of local properties for holiday let accommodation, the practise has a detrimental effect on the local community as this type of property attracts business taxation as opposed to a local council charge.

Cllr Staveley informed Council that the dustbins of a holiday let property should be classed as trade waste and not be collected as residential waste, although this is difficult to manage. The National Park were to investigate diminishing communities.

99/21. Allotments

Council had received a request from an allotment tenant to split allotment plot 2.

The tenant of plot 2 had informed Council that she was to increase the beds within the plot to facilitate more vegetable and fruit growth. Council discussed the layout of the allotment gardens and resolved to continue with the present size of the allotment plots.

100/21. Financial Risk Assessment.

Council reviewed the annual assessment as presented by the Clerk and resolved to approve the document.

Action – Clerk to include the assessment within the Council pack and present to the auditor.

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101/21. Street Lamps on Private Housing (way leave payments).

The Clerk had received responses from Settle TC, Langcliffe PC, & Horton in Ribblesdale PC in regard to way leave payments to owners of residential properties who have street lamps installed. All three Councils have lamps fitted to residential properties but none of the Councils operate way leave payments, the Clerk was awaiting replies from a further three Parish Councils. Council resolved to defer the item until the next meeting.

102/21. Queen's Jubilee Events.

The village hall committee had organised a number of events throughout the year with a garden party at Ribblesdale House, all event details were posted on the PC website. Council can support any community event financially.

103/21. Campaign Against Noise & Speed (CANS).

The Chairman reported that he had attended the recent remote meeting of the group and reported the following to Council:

CANS representation is across Cumbria, Lancashire, & The Yorkshire Dales National Park. There is to be a strong Police presence on the roads from April 22.

Councils asked to highlight 'hotspots' for speeding vehicles, B6479 Stainforth identified.

Community Support Officers involved and marked & unmarked Police cars.

Acoustic camera research is ongoing in the Dales.

New 20 mph zones in the Dales will need new signage and traffic calming measures. Motorcyclists aware of Police speed management locations and share this immediately. Motorists driving at speed cause more damage to repaired roads than slower drivers.

104/21. Village Green – tree request.

A request had been received from the Village Hall Committee to plant an apple tree on the green as part of the Queens Green Canopy Project. Council discussed implications of planting trees on village greens and possible locations for a tree.

Council resolved to approve the planting of a small tree on the green adjacent to Goat Lane, possibly in the rough grassy area. The main green should be left clear of trees.

Action – Clerk to reply to request.

105/21. Yorkshire Dales National Park Planning Applications.

No applications listed.

106/21. Financial Statement & Invoices for Payment.

Council resolved to approve the financial statement for March 2022.

107/21. Correspondence.

HSBC - Banking charge notification 21/03/2022 this is £8.

Craven parishes liaison meeting – 23/03/2022 – 6.30pm on zoom.

108/21. Highways, Street Lighting & Maintenance.

The diseased tree adjacent to 'Ladies Walk' next to the bridge had caused concern as if it collapsed during storm conditions it could block Stainforth Beck at the bridge flooding the village. Yorkshire Dales National Park had surveyed the tree and agreed with Council.

Action – Cllr Sharp to liaise with landowner with view to trimming/removal of the tree.

Cllr Warren reported a tree adjacent to the entrance to the village on Goat Lane was leaning over and could damage telephone cables.

Action – Clerk to report to Highways.

109/21. Councillor Election Nomination Forms. Forms collected by the Clerk.

110/21. The Date of the next Parish Council meeting – Tuesday 12^h April 2022

Meeting closed 8.15pm

Chairman