

**Stretton Parish Council**

**Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on Monday 8th November 2021 at 7pm, at Stretton Village Hall.**

In attendance:

Cllr M Clarke, Cllr J Thompson, Cllr C Cupit, Cllr J Maxwell, Cllr J Funnell,  
Cllr K Gillott, Joanne Taylor – Clerk/RFO

**1/30/21 Apologies for absence:**

Cllr J Broadhead - ill  
Cllr A Cooper - ill

**2/31/21 Declaration of Members Interests:**

Cllr C Cupit – Planning application

**3/32/21 Public Speaking:**

Cllr J Funnell attended the meeting. He talked through the update from the Chair of NEDDC, covid cases in the district, improvements of Eckington and Killamarsh leisure centres and the new leisure centre to be rebuilt at Sharley Park.  
Cllr K Gillott attended the meeting. He informed the Council that he had been doing a tour of the area and one of the main issues was speeding in Woolley Moor. Derbyshire County Council did a site visit and currently awaiting response. Woolley Moor have started a community speedwatch. Cllr K Gillott will pay for half of a speed camera if the parish council will pay for the other half. It was also reported that the road signs at the bottom of Highstairs Lane are covered in foliage. Cllr K Gillott's donation to the village hall was spent on repairing the floor.

**4/33/21 Approve the minutes of the Parish Council Meeting on 12th July 2021**

**5/34/21 Report of the Clerk including actions from previous meeting:**

- a) Cemetery and Cemetery Lodge - Severn Trent reported a leak on site and Council have to carry out emergency repair. A purchaser of a pre-purchased plot has requested a refund. Council **RESOLVED** to approve refund
- b) Jubilee Playing Field and Pavilion – request to mow meadow submitted to NEDDC
- c) Play Area inspection Report – Quote for new gate was submitted to Council. Councillors asked if gate could be repaired as quote of £1,375 expensive. Cllr Maxwell to contact metal fabricator for quote for repair and replacement.
- d) Snow Warden Scheme being offered again by Derbyshire County Council for 2021, Stretton Parish Council did not partake in the last few years, currently do not meet terms to join.
- e) Update on playing field football grant. Football team require a long term commitment to the pitch if they are to pursue a grant. Cllr Clarke suggested seeing how the drainage repair improves the pitch before any long term commitment is made. All agreed.
- f) NEDDC still not emptying waste bins at Jubilee Playing Field. Clerk to email Cllr Cupit to chase.

**6/35/21 Items for Discussion/Approval**

- a) PKF Littlejohn carried out the external audit, not concerns were raised. **RESOLVED**
- b) Cemetery – Council to review use of land at cemetery to create a car park. Postpone discussion to next meeting.
- c) Cemetery Fees - Council reviewed cemetery fees. **RESOLVED** only to increase the purchase price of exclusive right of burial to £300 (doubled for non parishoners).
- d) Asset register review. **RESOLVED**
- e) Financial Procedures review. **RESOLVED**
- f) Code of Conduct. **RESOLVED** to adopt revised Code of Conduct
- g) S137 grant for Woolley Moor Community Group **RESOLVED** to donate £250
- h) S137 grant agreed for Royal British Legion Bikers for putting up and taking down poppies. **RESOLVED** to pay £100

**7/36/21 Planning**

21/00894/TPO	Application to prune Sycamore Tree	4 Beresford Lane, Woolley Moor
21/01106/LDC	Application for lawful development certificate for existing dwelling	The Cottage, Sidnes Farm, Smithy Moor
21/01131/FL	Construction of new 4 car garage to replace existing timber workshop	Menel Farm, Handley Lane
21/01252/FLH	Proposed single storey extension	Springfield House, Main Road, Stretton

21/01273/AD	Retrospective application for signage at top of Straw Lane for wedding venue	Stretton Manor Barn wedding venue
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**8/37/21 Derbyshire Association of Local Councils and other correspondence**

- a) DALC previously circulated

**9/38/21 Finance**

- (a) Accounts for Approval and Payment **RESOLVED** to approve

Chq No	Payee	Details	Amount inc vat
001823	Shelter Maintenance	Annual bus shelter clean	£72.00
Online	PKF Littlejohn	External audit	£240.00
Online	Clerk expenses-W Brindley	June and July cemetery maintenance	£1550.00
Online	Woolley Moor Nurseries	Hanging baskets	£1958.40
Online	Payroll	August and September 2021	£472.00
Online	HMRC	August and September 2021	£108.00
Online	ICCM	Cemetery subscription	£95.00
Online	NEDDC	Empty dog waste bins	£175.50
Online	W Brindley	Sept 21 cemetery maintenance	£695.00
Online	Payroll	October and November 2021	£472.00
Online	HMRC	October and November 2021	£108.00
Online	W Brindley	October cemetery maintenance	£347.50

- (b) Accounts and Bank reconciliation to October 2021 **RESOLVED** to approve
- (c) Precept was discussed and **RESOLVED** to approve at the same level as 2020/2021, £19,300. This may reduce the cost to parishioners if tax base reduces, this information is not available at the time of the meeting.
- (d) LATE ITEM Clerk raised concern about online Natwest account. It has been discovered that Councillors that are signatories on the bank account and have a Natwest account they will be automatically linked to the Parish bank account and are able to move funds. Clerk to speak to Natwest about the situation and ask the link to be removed. Councillors only to have 'read only' access. Currently only one Councillor has this ability but this needs to be rectified as soon as possible.

**Meeting closed 7.50pm**