

Stretton Parish Council

Minutes of the Annual Parish Council Meeting held on Monday 13 November 2023 at 7.50pm, at Stretton Village Hall.

In attendance: Councillors: M Clarke, T. Gray; R Horton (Chair), B. Hunter; J Maxwell and J Thompson

Also in Attendance: Councillors A Cooper (NEDDC), Gilliott (DCC), Kath Gruber (Clerk/RFO)

FC/1123/01 Apologies for absence

None

FC/1123/02 Co-option to Councillor Vacancies

The Council reviewed the applications and **Resolved:** to co-opt Bruce Hunter and Tim Gray.

FC/1123/03 Variation to Order of Business

None

FC/1123/04 Declaration of Members Interests

None

FC/1123/05 Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting

The Council **Resolved:** that the minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on 11 September 2023 were a correct record under the provisions for approval.

FC/1123/06 Public Speaking

Councillor K Gilliott (DCC)

- An urgent meeting has been called to discuss the budget position.
- Boundary review publication delayed to 23/1/24.
- Devolution has been approved and a combined Mayor and Police Commissioner will be elected next May.
- Road resurfacing on Main Street, Woolley Moor completed and work on Crow Road is scheduled.

Councillor A Cooper (NEDDC)

- The fly-tipping is being addressed.
- Additional green bin collections are scheduled in November and after Christmas.
- Clay Cross regeneration programme approved subject to Highways checking traffic implications onto Derby Road.
- Next Full Council meeting scheduled for 27/11/23.

FC/1123/07 Exclusion of the Public

None

FC/1123/08 Village Matters

1. Speed Indicator Devices (SID) Highways have suggested a location and this is being investigated
Resolved: to arrange meeting with Highways and check with supplier that location provides sufficient visibility and advise MP on plans.
2. Average Speed Camera on Main Road – The Council **Resolved:** to distribute consultation letters to Stretton residents.
3. Bench painting – the Council **Resolved:** to accept quote of £800 from Stuart Stone.
4. Highstairs Bench – the Council **Resolved:** a) to accept quote of £100 from Stuart Stone to remove bench **and b)** seek quote to relocate Ogston bench to Highstairs Lane bringing it further forward away from the foliage.
5. Grit bins – the Council **Resolved:** that Councillors Clarke, Gray, Hunter, and Maxwell would refill grit bins and put new Ogston bin in place.
6. Cemetery Update
 - Policy – the Council considered the updated policy and **Resolved:** to approve subject to slight amendment.
 - Cemetery Services – the Council noted the updated forms and:

Service Memorials	Number	Income
	2 additional inscriptions	£60
Burials	2	£1200
EROB	1 (cremation plot)	£250

- Lodge Works – the Council noted that all works from last inspection completed and **Resolved:** to conduct next annual inspection.
- Energy Performance Certificate – this is being chased up.

FC/1123/09 Planning

None.

FC/1123/10 Finance

- Accounts for payments – the Council reviewed and approved the payments as at schedule 1.
- Income – the Council noted the income received since the last meeting.
- Bank Reconciliation – deferred to next meeting pending investigation by Scribe.
- Appointment of Internal Auditor – the Council **Resolved:** to appoint John Marriott as Council's internal auditor for 2023/2024.
- Grounds Maintenance contract – the Council **Resolved:** To
 - extend contract for cemetery maintenance for a further year.
 - accept price increase of 7% for 2024/25 cemetery maintenance.
 - ask the contractor if grass cuttings could be removed.
 - seek quote from NEDDC for Playing Field maintenance.

FC/1123/11 Correspondence

Contents of Dalc circulars, general and resident correspondence noted.

FC/1123/12 Report of the Clerk

The Council reviewed the action plan, noting progress on Council resolutions.

FC/1123/13 Next Council meeting

The Council **Resolved:** that the next meeting of the Council would be on Monday 8 January 2024 following the meeting with Woolley Moor Committee starting at 7pm.

The meeting closed at 8.47pm

Schedule 1:

Description	Supplier	Net	VAT	Total
Utilities	British Gas	17.44	0.87	18.31
Salaries	Employee	394.00		394.00
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Landlord	British Gas Home Care	61.99		61.99
Environment	NEDDC	45.00	9.00	54.00
Administration	PKF Littlejohn	210.00	42.00	252.00
Cemetery	Clay Cross Trade	208.33	41.67	250.00
Environment	Primary Care Supplies	70.99	14.20	85.19
Environment	Grit Bins	58.49	11.70	70.19
Cemetery	Shaw & Sons	234.00		234.00
Cemetery	Amazon	14.50		14.50
Administration	Unity Trust Bank	18.00		18.00
Utilities	British Gas	17.44	0.87	18.31
Contractor	Clarke's Cemetery & Churchyard Services	750.00		750.00

Salaries	Employee	13.64		13.64
Administration	Adobe	6.50		6.50
Administration	Kath Gruber	1.50		1.50
Administration	HP Ink Services	9.98		9.98
Salaries	Employee	394.00		394.00
Landlord	British Gas Home Care	61.99		61.99
Landlord	Emma- Jayne Garnett	60.00		60.00
Environment	Grit Bins	104.23	20.85	125.08
	Total	2,752.02	141.16	2,893.18
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