

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF STAPLEFORD PARISH COUNCIL
HELD ON 31st OCTOBER 2017
AT STAPLEFORD VILLAGE HALL, STAPLEFORD AT 7.30 PM**

The meeting commenced with the following members present: Cllr J Oakins (Chairman), Cllr M Randall, Cllr A Roe, Cllr H Kirby

Apologies: Cllr McMullen, Cllr A George

In Attendance: V Paskell

1: Minutes of the meeting held on 21st September 2017: Signed as a true record.

2: Matters arising from the minutes.

School Parking problems / grass verge: Cllr Oakins has spoken to Cllr Ken Crofton at length to see if there is anything further that can be done regarding the parking issues. At the current time there are no suggestions or schemes that could be implemented to relieve the problems.

Cllr George has purchased the bulbs and will plant them in the grass verge on Church Lane.

Bullsmill Lane / Waterford Hamel: Tarmac are currently liaising with Highways regarding the surface of the new footpath that was laid to Bengeo. Tarmac are starting work around the site by improving access onto the site. Ruth Role from Tarmac will be attending the next Waterford Heath meeting and will hopefully be providing an update.

General rubbish bins Stapleford & Waterford: The old bin on the High Road is currently still in place and requires removal.

Woodhall Arms: Cllr McMullen advised that there was no Section 106 money agreed for the development. Work has now commenced on the site.

Stapleford Village Hall Update: Cllr Randall has asked Francis Stevenson from the village hall committee for an update.

Speeding Traffic in Waterford: The first SID (northbound) is being installed this week. It has been agreed that the second SID (southbound) will be sited on Cllr Oakins land. The date for this installation has not yet been agreed.

Stapleford Recreation Ground – New Play Equipment: Susan Lancaster has confirmed that the grants are still being applied for and that there is a delay with the lottery funding grant. £5,000 has been applied for through Network Homes. Cllr Gorge is applying for a grant through the Tesco Blue Token grants scheme.

It was noted that the football nets had been removed from the goals and went missing for a time, they have now been put back, but are damaged. The picnic benches have been moved and stacked up with some damage to one or two.

Trees on Waterford Marsh: Cllr Oakins is waiting to hear from Peter Sandell regarding the Diocesan Arborist.

Waterlogged area Waterford Marsh: Cllr Oakins contacted Nicholas Maddox head of ROW and gave him the details of the concerns raised by the Great Molewood Residents Association. He is going to arrange a site visit and contact the CMS to discuss what action can be taken to resolve the issue.

Gate Barleycroft: The gate has been removed on the entrance to the field in Barleycroft as its banging is disturbing the residents. Tom Goldsmith from ROW will have a look to see if there are any soft close options for the gate.

Fish Paths: the meeting regarding the fish paths took place on 27th September. The landowners who will be affected have been consulted on the proposals.

3. Correspondence: None

4: Finance and accounts

The Council is asked to approve/note the following payments:

1. V Paskell – Salary (DD)	£250.00
2. Frank Cooper & Sons Ltd	£156.00
3. V Paskell – expenses	£116.22

RECEIPTS

29.9.17	EHDC - litter picker	£1796.60
29.9.17	EHDC – ½ Precept	£2398.00

BALANCES

Current account - £16961.89 as at 21.10.17

Moneymaster account - £347.59 as at 21.9.17

5: Planning

Applications Received: None

Applications Granted: 17 Vicarage Lane, Waterford

Applications Refused: None

Any other business:

A drain cover has sunk in the road between Waterford and Stapleford. Clerk will report Highways.

CLLr Oakins reported that he spoke to CLLr Crofton regarding the possibility of declassifying the A119 to B road once the A602 improvements have been completed.

Date of next meeting: The next Parish Council Meeting will be held on Thursday 30th November 2017, in **Waterford Village Hall, High Road, Stapleford** at 7.30pm.