

# **STALMINE-WITH-STAYNALL PARISH COUNCIL**

## **Update from the clerk 7<sup>th</sup> August 2025**

### **Stalmine Play Ground Area**

Playground inspections for July 2025 have shown no issues.

### **Grants**

I have contacted the secretary and received an invoice this will be paid in August Finances, I explained the points of the policy to secretary asking that the Council is recognised in the charities publication and that they may not apply again in this financial year.

### **Memorial Project**

I have spoken to the Lengths Man in regards starting to dig up the area in preparation for the ground work to begin, he is going to contact the same person who levelled the area for the storage unit. He has said that it will need a contractor to lay down the foundation of the area, and the paving and will report back to me with his findings, I will of course report and findings to the Council before proceeding with works. I will be shortly ordering the benches, and they will be left in storage until required.

### **External Audit**

The external audit is now complete, with no issues to report. I have uploaded the external audit report and certificate on the Council's website, as well as the notice of conclusion of audit, which will also be displayed in the notice boards for two weeks.

### **Woodland Work**

The woodland work has now been completed by the Tree Surgeon.

### **Resident Dyke issues**

Members may remember in the public forum of the April 2024 meeting residents attended about the dyke in situ at the back/side of their property in regards it being blocked and flooding. I recently received a call from the residents concerned stated it was blocked by the developers. I visited the home of the residents and contacted Paul Long from Wyre. He has recently visited the site and confirmed whom is responsible for the dyke, and it has now been cleared and resolved.

### **Bus Stops**

I have asked Mark to clean the bus stops within the area, as Les is busy with other jobs, these will be cleaned, shortly.

### **Fencing Separating the Carpark and the Playing Field**

The Lengths Man, has now repaired the fencing so it is stable, until it is resolved and budgeted by the Council for the next civic year.

### **PROW – Grange Lane/Back Lane**

I have been contacted over the bridle way that runs through Grange Lane and Back Lane. The Plants Man has visited the area, and will be cutting back the vegetation so this can continue to be used by the public.

### **Highways (Footpath/verge at Mill Lane)**

I have not yet written to Highways in regards having the verge removed, as it will take some time to construct the letter with photographs, but will complete this task in August.

### **Planters**

I have had a message from a resident who has seen the notice in the Green Book for Volunteers to water the planters in the warmer weather, he has been watering the planters near Staynall Lane, and is quite happy to continue to during the warm weather, I thanked him for his efforts and explained the Council would be very grateful if he would continue.

### **Data Protection Training**

At the last meeting it was recommended that I the clerk have some additional data protection training. I have looked at the training provided by LALC, and booked two sessions in September as there are two parts to it. Under Clerks Delegations, the total cost of the two sessions is £60.00.