STALMINE-WITH-STAYNALL PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the meeting of the Parish Council held on Tuesday 10th January 2023 at 7.00pm in the Village Hall Stalmine

Present: Cllrs Phil Orme (Chair), Lynne Bowen, John Bell-Fairclough, Paul Franks, Tony Johnson

In attendance: Yvonne Walton, Locum Clerk and 1 member of the public (joined to discuss flooding issue and left) plus Mark Evans who was co-opted onto Council (see 92)

88 Apologies for absence

Nil

89 Declaration of interests and dispensations

Cllr Johnson Trade Union Cllr Orme Best Kept Village

90 Minutes of the last meeting

Councillors **resolved** to approve as a correct record the minutes of the Ordinary Parish Council meetings held on 13th December 2022.

91 Public participation

A resident attended to discuss an issue with flooding near Moss Side/Old Toms Lane junction. The resident reported a gully was flooding and water was coming up through it. He reported that the issue had been raised via LCC but reference was not known.

92 Vacancy in the office of Parish Councillor

Prior to the meeting the Council had interviewed a potential new Councillor for Cooption. The recommendation was that the person be co-opted onto the Council. It was resolved unanimously by the Council that Mark Evans be co-opted onto the Parish Council. Mark signed all relevant documents and read out and signed the required declaration.

93 Planning

There were no outstanding applications.

94 Finance

- a) To note there were no receipts in December 2022
- b) It was resolved that the following payments be approved:

December payroll £836.69
Cumbria Tree Surveys £525
FH & M Davies Christmas Tree £210

c) It was noted that the following Direct Debit Payments were made in November:

Easy Website (Monthly hosting Fee)

£36

- d) The Statement of Account was provided, Bank Statements were available at the meeting. It was resolved to accept the documents as a true reflection of the Council position and were signed by the Chairman.
- e) It was resolved to accept the 2023/24 Budget Proposal following adjustments requested at the previous meeting and to request a precept of £38,013 for the year 2023/24.

95 Locum Clerk/RFO

It was resolved to accept the draft Contract for the Locum Clerk/RFO.

96 Employment of new Clerk and RFO

Cllr Bell-Fairclough reported that he was aware that a resident in the Parish would be submitting an application for the position in the coming days. No further actions were resolved.

97 Parish Council Owned Bus Shelter

Cllr Bowen reported that queried the provision of a new bus shelter through a section 278 agreement and therefore no further action was required at this time whilst further investigation was taken forward by Wyre Council.

98 Woods/Field/Car Park Barrier

It was resolved that Cllr Bell-Fairclough meet at the car park with the Locum Clerk in order to create a plan as to what size of barrier and other changes that would be required to mitigate against the risk of ASB particularly at night.

99 Creation of new In Bloom/Best Kept Village Group

It was resolved that Stalmine with Staynall Parish Council would support the creation of a Parish In Bloom/Best Kept Village Group. It was resolved that the Clerk create an entry for the Green book including a request for volunteers and include similar onto local Facebook pages. It was further resolved that the Clerk meet with the Parish Plantsman to discuss the planting of perennials/herbaceous plants to reduce the requirement to fully plant out with annuals.

100 Tree Survey

It was resolved to accept the content of the Tree Survey and further resolved that the Clerk request quotes from local tree surgeon companies for the next meeting.

101 Entry for Green Book

It was resolved that the Clerk would create entry for Green book including Vacancies, In Bloom/BKV request for volunteers, some bullet points of the PC meeting, and Date of the next meeting.

Items for Information Only

102 Reports from Outside Bodies

Cllr Bell-Fairclough reported that he had been invited to take part in both SSRA and VH Meetings.

103 Wyre Councillors Report

It was reported that Wyre Council were carrying out a review of bins in the Wyre area. Lindlay Grange had still not been adopted by LCC. Issues remained with silted water flowing into dyke. Wyre Council had inspected. Cllr Orme reported that there was a Planning application within Preesall for the creation of a café that was expected to be used by bikers.

104 Questions to Councillors

Concerns were raised regarding the bad state of many of the roads in the Parish, Cllrs were encouraged to raise such issues via the LCC website and were reminded that this sis include paths as well as roads.

105 Date of next meeting

Tuesday 10th January 2023 starting at 7pm