

STALMINE-WITH-STAYNALL PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the meeting of the Parish Council held on Tuesday 11 August 2020 at 7.00pm via Zoom video conference.

Present: Cllrs T Williams (Chairman), S Pelham, F Cardwell, J Wilson.

In attendance: Alison May, clerk to the council, and 1 member of the public.

Cllr Williams stated that the council was delighted to announce that Mr Alan Morton would be co-opted into the current vacancy for a councillor.

24(1) Apologies for absence

Cllr D Booth.

25(2) Declaration of interests and dispensations

None.

26(3) Minutes of the last meeting

Councillors **resolved** to approve as a correct record the minutes of the meeting held on 14 July 2020.

27(4) Public participation

Resolved to close the meeting to allow members of the public to speak at 7.08pm.

The member of the public did not wish to speak.

Resolved to reconvene the meeting at 7.09pm

28(5) Finance

Councillors **resolved**:

a) To note no receipts were received in July.	
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b) To approve the following payments:		
Via Zoom conference		
August	Chqs	
July Payroll	0020; 0021; 0022	959.53
Clerk's expenses (on behalf of council) July expenses	0023	23.04
Lengthsman's expenses (SLN on behalf of council) July expenses	0024	53.27
Plantsman (MS) invoice 4/2020	0025	380.45
Preesall Auto Discount (Inv. 989)	0026	24.97
C&C Supplies Ltd (Inv.622712)	0027	28.29

c) To note the following payments by direct debit:	
Easy Websites (monthly hosting fee) August	39.60

<p>d) To note the statement of accounts for month ending 31 July 2020. Yorkshire Bank Current account</p>	<p>49967.52</p>
<p>e) To approve the budget monitoring report quarter Budget monitoring report – quarter 1 The quarter 1 budget monitoring report and the supporting receipts and payments documentation from the cashbook were scrutinised by councillors and found to be in order and an accurate record of the financial activity for quarter 1. There was no requirement for any virement of funds.</p>	

29(6) Plantsman

Exclusion of the press and public

Pursuant to section 1(2) and 1(3) of the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960, the council **resolved** to exclude the press and public to discuss the plantsman's contract and tools for the lengthsman.

Resolved: that the council was pleased with the work done by the self-employed contractor and that when the current contract expires in October the council to renew the contract for a further twelve months on the same terms.

It was further **resolved** to give permission for an account to be opened with Armstrongs at Forton for the repair of the council's machinery. The strimmer used by the lengthsman to be taken there for repair, and if it can't be repaired, the clerk to be given permission to purchase a new strimmer of the same or similar quality.

The council **resolved** to re-open the meeting to the press and public.

30(7) Items for next agenda

Councillors were asked to raise matters to be included on the agenda for the next meeting of the Parish Council either at the meeting or by notifying the clerk at least 10 days prior to the next meeting (**27 August at the latest**), with a summary of the reason for raising the matter. Items to be added were: footpath signage at Brown's Lane; inappropriate parking on the bowling green car park; Government's planning consultation – paperwork provided by NALC; issues with the pond in the wood; hedge planting around the wood.

31(8) Date and time of next meeting

The next meeting of the Parish Council will be on **Tuesday 8 September 2020** at 7.00pm.