

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

## **Update from the clerk 4<sup>th</sup> December 2025**

### **Stalmine Play Ground Area**

Playground inspections for November 2025 have shown no issues.

### **Memorial Project**

The contractor has been informed of the colour for the Indian paving. He is hoping to start the job just before Christmas, or in the new year weather permitting. The memorial plaque has been ordered for the cost of £86.50 under clerk's delegations I agreed to the price. The plaque will be held by the clerk until it is ready to be fitted.

### **Live Christmas Tree Project**

The tree was planted by the plants man on the 20<sup>th</sup> November, upon inspection by the church warden, and volunteers the tree is too small for the switch on. The plants man has re-planted the tree into a pot to grow within the church grounds, and he will maintain the tree until it is big enough to use for the annual event. I was informed that a church volunteer has purchased a large tree. I made the decision under clerk's delegations to refund the volunteer £96.00 as the Council do supply the tree for this event. There is enough money from the project to cover the cost of this tree. As the live tree may not be big enough for future switch on events, I have researched local tree suppliers and found a supplier in Pilling to provide and deliver next year's 12ft tree for an estimated £150.00, under clerk's delegations I have pre-ordered the tree, as there is enough money within the budget to do so. This will be co-ordinated by the clerk in November 2026 with the supplier, and the church.

I received the lights from PRS, which were tested and found to be all be working. I only had to purchase a timer plug/plug/cable/out-door power box to ensure the safe supply of electricity from the outdoor socket to the tree. This purchase was £37.91 inc VAT and was taken out of the funds set aside for the project, minute reference 63.16(2025-26). The lights/cables/sockets/plugs were given to the church and will be collected after the Christmas season and held by the myself till next year.

### **14<sup>th</sup> Edition Local Council Administration Book**

The book has been delivered and is now held by myself. The book has also been added to the Council's Asset Register.

### **Code of Conduct Training**

I attended the training at the Civic Centre, and it was very informative

### **Facebook Page**

I have updated the Council's Facebook page, and placed a post to highlight the co-option vacancy with the application form, this has also been shared on other Stalmine-with-Staynall community pages.

### **SLCC Zoom Meeting**

I attended the quarterly SLCC meeting on 4<sup>th</sup> December. The President of the SLCC, a Mr Lance Allan gave a talk on civility and respect, and discussed the government unitary authorities. He also informed us that he is part of bringing the external audit AGAR to a digital format, via a website in which parishes can up load the end of year information, this is to be tested in 2026 and to become live in 2027.

### **Bowling Green Car Park**

Wyre Borough have been repairing the car park surface recently, by filling in the pot holes.