#### STALMINE-WITH-STAYNALL PARISH COUNCIL

# Minutes of the meeting of the Parish Council held on Tuesday 9 November 2021 at 7.00pm in the Village Hall, Stalmine

Present: Cllrs T Williams (Chairman), A Morton, D Booth, S Pelham, J Wilson

In attendance: Alison May, clerk.

## 79(1) Apologies for absence

Cllr F Cardwell.

## 80(2) Declaration of interests and dispensations

None.

## 81(3) Minutes of the last meeting

**Resolved:** to approve as a correct record the minutes of the meetings held on 5 October and 12 October 2021.

## 82(4) Public participation

No members of the public were present, therefore councillors **resolved** to move to agenda item 5.

## 83(5) Planning

Application Number: 21/01126/FUL

Proposal: Proposed two-storey front extension and first floor and ground floor

single-storey rear extensions

Location: Carr End Farm Carr End Lane Stalmine-With-Staynall Poulton-Le-Fylde

Lancashire

**Resolved:** the council was unanimous in raising no objection to the application.

## 84(6) Finance

Councillors resolved:

a) To note the following receipts:		Nil
b) To approve the following payments	Chqs	Nil
October payroll Clerk's October expenses (on behalf of council) Lengthsman's October expenses	00158,00159,00161 00160	£1085.87 £39.90
(SLN on behalf of council) Plantsman (MS) October contract	00162 00163	£24.72 £256.67
Autographix (inv. 27912) Wyre Building Supplies Ltd (inv.SI0308732 £2.03,	00164	£417.60
SI0309891 £36.00, SI0309896 £6.26, SI0310855 £14 SI0311390 £12.00, SI0311478 £17.60) Preesall Auto Discount (inv.1064, 1066)	4.40, 00165 00166	£88.90 £11.74

c) To note the following payments by direct debit:

Easy Websites (monthly hosting fee) October ID Mobile (inv.72465589)

£42.00 £6.00

d) To note the statement of accounts for month ending 31 October 2021 is £54,218.30

# e) To approve the budget monitoring report quarter Budget monitoring report – quarter 2

**Resolved:** to approve the Q2 review of expenditure as accurately reflecting the financial transactions in July, August and September 2021 and to accept the budget monitoring statement. No budget heads were overspent, therefore no further action was required.

## 85(7) FOI response

**Resolved:** for the clerk to send a further Freedom of Information request to Wyre Council asking for a breakdown of the figures where no enforcement action was taken against the four categories of:

1. No breach found or insufficient evidence of any breach; 2. Retrospective planning permission granted; 3. The breach ceases or is remediated/works modified or removed; 4. Not expedient - breach is minor/is acceptable.

## 86(8) Projects for 2022/23

A first draft of the budget for next year is (**enclosed**). There are still a number of unknowns and variables and the clerk will take councillors through the budget in some detail if required. Councillors will be asked to provide guidance to the clerk on the various items of expenditure so the budget can be finalised at the January meeting.

**Resolved:** To accept the first draft of the budget as presented and for the clerk to enquire whether the tree surgeon is VAT- registered.

## 87(9) Parish clerk's resignation

**Resolved:** to accept the draft recruitment pack and for the clerk to advertise the vacancy in the Over Wyre and Garstang Focus, via LALC and on the noticeboard.

## 88(10) Dog exercise area

**Resolved:** That as the council does not own any land where an enclosed area for exercising dogs off the lead, similar to the one at Hambleton, could be created, it would not be possible to progress this item further.

#### 89(11) Woodland signage

Cllr Wilson provided councillors with an update on progress with the development of the signage and enabled the council to view some of the artwork being created.

## 90(12) Environment Agency surveys

The council was invited to respond to two consultations. The

Draft river basin management plans (RBMPs)

and

## Draft flood risk management plans (FRMPs) for 2021-2027.

**Resolved:** that given the complexity and detail presented in the plans councilors would benefit from a presentation to explain some of the information. It was agreed that a representative from Wyre Rivers Trust be invited to the December meeting.

## **ITEMS FOR INFORMATION ONLY**

## 91(13) Reports from outside bodies/councils

Cllr Morton reported on his visit the previous evening to a presentation by Wyre Council on the partial review of the local plan which would result in 222 additional units in Stalmine, a contribution of 50% of the total increase in Wyre. Housing development each year would fall from 460 properties to 296 from April 2023.

## 92(14) Clerk's report

## Play area

A request has been received from a member of the public asking the council to consider putting a gate at the Douglas Avenue end of the playing fields. A response has been sent regarding dogs being kept on a lead at the playing field.

#### Parish wood

The contractor has made two visits to the woodland to map out the order of works in order to complete the necessary risk assessments and licence requests from the Forestry Commission prior to works commencing.

#### Parish maintenance

The plantsman has replaced some of the rotten public foot path posts and has commenced an autumn prune of established beds.

The lengthsman is undertaking a scheme of work treating the council's timber structures and replacing any rotten wood.

## **Christmas lights**

Discussions are under way regarding the provision of the tree and lighting at the church for a switch-on event.

## 93(15) Questions for councillors

None.

## 94(16) Date and time of next meeting

Councillors are 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 (**Friday 3 December at the latest**), with a summary of the reason for raising the matter.

The next meeting of the Parish Council will be on **Tuesday 14 December 2021** at 7.00pm.

There being no other business the chairman closed the meeting at 9.30pm.