

# NORTH STAINLEY WITH SLENGFORD PARISH COUNCIL

## MINUTES OF A PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

**DATE:** Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> November 2018  
**TIME:** 7.30pm  
**LOCATION:** North Stainley Village Hall  
**PRESENT:** Councillors Glenys Bailer (Chair), Ian Alston, David Bryant, Margaret Goddard, Mike Porter  
**CLERK:** Nick Reed (minutes)  
**IN ATTENDANCE:** One Member of the Public (MoP)

18.60	<b>Declarations of interest</b> and requests for dispensation There were none.
18.61	<b>Apologies</b> Apologies were received and accepted from Cllr Falkingham.
18.62	<b>Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on 11<sup>th</sup> September 2018</b> These were AGREED as a true record of the meeting, and signed as such by the Chair.
18.63	<b>Ongoing issue from the minutes for updating</b> <b>18.631 Replacement of felled tree on Watermill Lane:</b> Councillors considered the exact positioning of the replacement tree. It was noted that the original planning scheme had the tree nearer the road than the actual tree which had been felled; also that various local residents had proposed two separate sites for the new one, and there seemed to be little prospect of consensus. As this is a parish council tree being planted on parish council land, it was RESOLVED that a final decision as to placement would be made by councillors, bearing in mind factors including but not limited to: the positioning of the hedge, private drive, pavement sewer, and former tree; representations from residents; current and potential visual amenity; and advice from Harrogate BC. <b>Action: Cllrs Bailey, Bryant and Porter to meet on site with Clerk to decide placement Clerk to advise Harrogate BC, and obtain a date for planting</b> <b>18.632 Millennium Walk:</b> It was noted that a resident has offered to provide the gravel necessary to raise the Millennium Walk footpath a few centimetres to prevent flooding. <b>Action: Clerk to liaise with Parish Caretakers to progress this.</b>
18.64	<b>Questions or comments from members of the public</b> There were none
18.65	<b>Reports from district / county councillors</b> There were none.
18.66	<b>Financial Statement and Approvals for Payment</b> The Council's cash book balance was noted as being £16,552.58 It was RESOLVED to approve the following payments: Parish Clerk (salary – October and November); Clerk's expenses and training qtr 2 £213.70; Citizens Advice Craven and Harrogate (Section 137 payment) £150.00; MHS Countryside Management (grass cutting) £1,440.00; DTMS Ltd (parish caretaking) £204.00; and Autela Ltd (payroll admin qtr 2) £46.80.
18.67	<b>Budget for 2019-2020</b> The parish council considered the draft budget as circulated, with a standstill precept requirement, and RESOLVED to adopt it as the budget for 2019-2020. <b>Action: Clerk to inform Harrogate BC of precept requirement</b>

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18.68	<b>Planning Applications and Decisions</b> There were no planning matters to consider.
18.69	<b>Parish Working Party</b> The question of a parish working party to plant the daffodil bulbs kindly donated by Harrogate BC was discussed, but councillors RESOLVED that this work, being now quite urgent, would be more effectively done by the parish caretakers. <p style="text-align: right;"><b>Action: Clerk to contact parish caretakers</b></p>
18.70	<b>Watermill Lane</b> Councillors considered the possibility of advocating a 20mph speed limit on Watermill Lane / Close. It was noted that this was a decision for North Yorkshire CC Highways, and councillors AGREED to make the department aware of the issue. <p style="text-align: right;"><b>Action: Clerk to write to NYCC Highways; Cllr Bailey to liaise with North Stainley Primary School</b></p>
18.71	<b>Caretaker Task List</b> There were no tasks identified beyond standard ones and those noted in 18.632 and 18.69 above.
18.72	<b>Correspondence</b>
18.721	High Batts Nature Reserve: informing the council that their "In at the Start" project is the National Winner of the Heidelberg Quarry Life UK Community Award. Councillors NOTED their congratulations and invited the group to submit a report to the January council meeting.
18.722	MoP, asking about weed spraying on Watermill Lane. <p style="text-align: right;"><b>Action: Clerk to check that this is included in parish caretaker task list twice yearly</b></p>
18.723	NYCC Highways, confirming that the council has no more money left in the Vehicle Activated System (VAS) project. Councillors discussed briefly the possibility of partnering with other councils (e.g. Sharow, West Tanfield), to purchase VAS. <p style="text-align: right;"><b>Action: This matter to be on January's agenda</b></p>

The meeting closed at 8.40pm.

**SIGNED:** ..... (Chair)

**DATE:** .....