

NORTH STAINLEY WITH SLENGFORD PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF A PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

DATE: Tuesday 14th January 2020
TIME: 7.30pm
LOCATION: North Stainley Village Hall
PRESENT: Councillors Glenys Bailey (Chair), Ian Alston, David Bryant, Elizabeth Falkingham, Margaret Goddard, Nicola Harding, Mike Porter
CLERK: Nick Reed (minutes)
IN ATTENDANCE: 2 members of the public (MoP)

19.65	Declarations of interest and requests for dispensation There were none.
19.66	Apologies and reasons for absence There were none, all councillors being present, but apologies were noted from District Cllr Bernard Bateman and County Cllr Margaret Atkinson.
19.67	Minutes of the Parish Council meetings held on 12 th November 2019 and 9 th December 2019 The former minutes were signed after the amendments made in the December meeting, and the latter minutes were APPROVED as a true record of the meeting and signed as such by the Chair.
19.68 19.681	Ongoing issue from minutes not related to other agenda items VE Day 75 – The council was supportive of reported plans by the Sports and Recreation Trust (probably) and the Church (possibly) to organise events on Friday 8 th May. NSSRT plans include a children's sports day, and further details would be available after its meeting on 22 nd January. The suggestion of a "Jacob's Join" was met with confusion until it transpired that this is an obscure Lancastrian name for a bring and share meal, at which point councillors agreed that this would be a good idea. <p style="text-align: right;">Action: Councillors / Clerk to liaise with Trust and Church; item to be on March agenda</p>
19.69	Questions or comments from members of the public not related to other agenda items A MoP raised the issue of overgrowing bullrushes in the ponds. The Clerk reported that this remains the responsibility of North Stainley Estates, but that they have offered no answer to the council's questions on this point. The council briefly considered funding a tidy up on a without-prejudice basis, but AGREED that this was both too expensive and not in any way the council's responsibility. A MoP then reported that the alder tree in front of "The White House" was leaning further over every year. The council noted that it was some time since the last assessment of trees within the parish, and RESOLVED to ask Arbortech to re-assess all trees on parish council owned land. <p style="text-align: right;">Action: Clerk to contact Arbortech and progress</p>
19.70	Reports from district / county councillors There were none.
19.71	Financial Statement and Approvals for Payment It was RESOLVED to approve the following payments: Parish Clerk (January salary); Parish Clerk (expenses and training qtr 3) £134.14; Autela Group (payroll qtr 3) £47.08; HMRC (PAYE qtr 3) £89.40; and DTMS Ltd (parish caretaking) £292.32. The Council's cash book balance after these payments was noted as being 10,518.64.
19.72	Dangerous tree The council considered correspondence from a parishioner concerning trees in Beatswell Wood adjacent to the Millennium Walk, one of which was overhanging his garden at an increasingly precipitous angles, and another of which was dead and overhanging the Millennium Walk. The Council

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	<p>noted again that the Wood and Walk were unadopted and the parish council had occasionally organised the clearance of dead trees so that parishioners could continue freely to enjoy the Walk. After some discussion the council RESOLVED to fund half of the sum quoted for the removal of both trees, this being £175, on the clear understanding that this did not constitute accepting responsibility for any ongoing upkeep of Beatswell Wood or the Millennium Walk.</p> <p>Action: Clerk to inform parishioner and progress</p>
19.73	<p>Bench at Roseberry Green</p> <p>The council noted that this bench had recently been repaired at parish council expense, but that the caretakers reported that it continues to be in poor condition and recommend replacement. With the ownership uncertain, the council RESOLVED to bring costings back to the March meeting and consider the replacement of the bench, and whether to assume / require ownership of it were it to be replaced.</p> <p><i>Clerk's note: the bench is not on the parish council asset register and therefore is assumed not currently to be owned by the council.</i></p> <p>Action: Clerk to progress</p>
19.74	<p>Planning applications and decisions</p> <p>The council NOTED and formally RESOLVED to agree its decision arrived at by email consensus to have no objection to application 14/04998/LB, for listed building consent for window replacement at Middle Park Farm. There were no other applications to consider, and no decisions or enforcements to note.</p>
19.75	<p>Caretaker Task List</p> <p>There were no issues to report beyond regular maintenance.</p>
19.76 19.761 19.762 19.763	<p>Correspondence</p> <p>Harrogate BC: acknowledging receipt of the parish council precept demand for 2020-21.</p> <p>Harrogate BC: notice of Community Infrastructure Levy main modification consultation, taking place online and at venues including Ripon Community House until 31st January.</p> <p>Harrogate BC: noting that Harrogate's Street Aid scheme had raised over £2,000 during the festive season, and that grants are available for anyone who is currently, or has a history of, sleeping rough in the Harrogate district.</p>

The meeting closed at 8.25pm.

SIGNED: (Chair)

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