

## STAMBOURNE PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the meeting held on Thursday 15 March 2018 at 7.30pm in the village hall, Stambourne

### PRESENT:

Mr Martyn Fall (Chair)  
Mrs Val Kerrison  
Mrs Vanessa Young

Mr Michael Crago  
Mr Andrew Drysdale  
Mr Neil Pyman  
*Karen Crago*

### CLERK:

Mrs Deborah Hilliard

### 18/15 Apologies for Absence

Clr Van Dulken

### 18/16 Declaration of Interests, personal or prejudicial

Val Kerrison declared an interest in agenda item 9.

### 18/17 Minutes of the meeting held on Thursday 16 January 2018

The minutes of the meeting held on 16 January 2018 were agreed as a correct record and signed.

### 18/18 Matters Arising

It was noted that Karen Crago had agreed to take over editing the newsletter from Steve Platt.

### 18/19 Pavilion

*Quotes for work on pavilion* – Three companies were invited to quote for this work and two responded. After studying both quotes and ensuring they covered the same specification it was agreed to appoint Paul Gill, who submitted the lowest quote for the sum of £4,700. Martyn will contact the builder and arrange a start date for the work. This is part of the CIF grant application.

Repainting will be carried out as soon as weather permits.

### 18/20 Playing Field

*Moles* – Command had not responded to the request to deal with the moles so another company was suggested. Debbie will contact.

*Picnic Table* – The additional picnic table donated by a parishioner was discussed. It was agreed it will be left as a mobile unit rather than fixed to a concrete plinth.

*Safety Surfacing* – To be carried out as weather permits.

*"No Dogs" signage* – Andrew will adapt the signs to read "Children's play area, no dogs allowed."

**18/21 Highways**

It was noted the pothole in Chapel End Way had now been repaired.

It was reported that hedges and trees at Manns Cross, Stambourne Road, Yeldham were overgrown. Debbie will contact Great Yeldham Parish Council to request they be trimmed.

**18/22 Footpaths**

Nothing to report.

**18/23 Planning**

18/00233/FUL – Picklehope Barn, Dyers End. The plans were circulated and studied by those present. It was agreed to object on the following basis:-

- To remove condition 4 attached to permission 14/00574/FUL would set a precedence for similar applications.
- The original application was only granted as the building was an annex and not a separate house.

The Parish Council takes the firm view that the condition should not be lifted. The Clerk will respond on this basis.

18/00436/FUL – Park View, Church Road, Stambourne - It was noted Val Kerrison had declared an interest in this item and did not contribute to the discussion. The plans were circulated to those present. It was agreed to submit a response of “no comment”.

**18/24 War Memorial Lettering**

Debbie confirmed that Gem Construction will commence work on the lettering in the spring.

**18/25 CIF Project**

See minute 18/19 above.

**18/26 Proposed Litter Pick**

Martyn advised he had been approached by a representative of Steeple Bumpstead Scout Group suggesting they carry out a litter pick in Stambourne to raise funds for the scouts. It was agreed the Parish Council will donate the Group £150 for this litter pick. Martyn will notify the Group of the decision.

**18/27 Correspondence**

Martyn reported he had attended the County Broadband village meeting on 6 March. An item will be put in the village newsletter on the meeting.

## 18/28 Finance

### Accounts Paid

Mrs D Hilliard (wages)	£702.50
Anglian Water	£57.55
Stambourne Chapel (cheque re-issued)	£260.00
Colne Skips	£264.00

### Monies Received

2 <sup>nd</sup> Verge Cut	£602.99
Bank Interest	£1.06

### Monies to be Received

VAT reclaim	£1,016.32
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### Estimated balances at 15 March 2018

Balance of Current Account	£11,026.38
Balance of Business Reserve Account	<u>£ 6,058.88</u>
Total	£17,085.26
Balance of Bonfire Fund	<u>£ 7,650.81</u>
Balance of General Fund	£ 9,434.45

## 18/29 Date of Next Meeting

The next meeting will take place on Thursday 17 May 2018 at 7.30pm in the village hall.

There being no further business to discuss the meeting ended at 8.30pm

Signed: .....



Dated: .....

