



## Stainland and District Parish Council 26th Environmental Committee Minutes **Draft LF**

Draft Minutes of the 25th Environmental Committee Meeting of the Stainland and District Parish Council held on **Tuesday 1<sup>st</sup> March 2022 at 7:00pm** for the purpose of transacting the following business.

Present at the meeting Cllr Fieldhouse, Cllr Weeks, Cllr Bottomley, Claire Eastwood and one member of the public

Minutes taken by Cllr Fieldhouse

	Item
2022E26.1	To note apologies for lateness or absence Cllr Mullany sent apologies
2022E26.2	All accepted the minutes of the Meeting held on 1 February 2022 (25th Environmental Meeting). The minutes were accepted as a true record of the meeting
2022E26.3	Resolved there were no Parish Councillors' declarations of interest received.
2022E26.4	One MOP attended for the Public Participation.  MOP attended and thanked Cllrs Weeks, Fieldhouse and the Parish Environmental Warden for their help to carry out work in Shaw Park. The MOP would like to create a regular working party and has posted this on the Friends of Shaw Park Facebook page book page. An evening session was suggested in addition to the current Monday morning session.  CE (Non voting committee member) reported some unpleasant behaviour of children in Chapel Street play area. The issue was reported to the CSO who visited the park and spoke to a group of children. The incident has a crime number and he advised that the police should be notified if the problem persists.  Locking the gate at the park was suggested however it was felt that the situation should be monitored and the police notified if it continues before pursuing this suggestion.
2022E26.5	To receive updates on live projects identified in project summary sheets  <b>Board Walk Repairs Shaw Park</b> - Cllr Fieldhouse has written a summary of the work for the website and Facebook page and sent them to the Clerk. <b>Pond Renovation Shaw Park</b> work planned for the end of February has been delayed due to bad weather.



	<p><b>Transfer of Allotments</b> Cllr Weeks and Cllr Liddell will be meeting with the PC's solicitor on 2<sup>nd</sup> March to discuss progress.</p> <p><b>Cat Steps</b> – Cllr weeks has received a quote for an eroko timber seat of £140, and will obtain a price for a stone seat if possible.</p> <p>Cllr Bottomley will speak to the contractors about when they will be putting down aggregate on the muddy sections of the path</p> <p>Permission has been received from cmbc to place a sign on the lighting column at the top of the steps. Cllr Bottomley to obtain quotes.</p>
2022E26.6	<p>To note any additional information regarding the following proposed projects</p> <p><b>Grounds Maintenance</b> –A further quotation has been received for specialist grass cutting of the slopes in Shaw Park and other grass verges in the Parish.</p> <p>The meeting felt that this was too expensive and that since the quotes were initiated risk assessments for the slopes have been received from CMBC and the Warden has completed the necessary training that could enable him to cut some, if not all the slopes that CMBC are unable to maintain.</p> <p><b>Jubilee Commemorative Orchard</b></p> <p>Information on varieties of trees used at Milner Royd Nature Reserve as been received from Yorkshire Wildlife Trust and Cllrs Weeks and Fieldhouse have visited this site.</p> <p>Other work to progress the project has been delayed because the orchard site is included in the transference of the allotments.</p> <p><b>Heritage Railings</b></p> <p>The railings for the top of station road have been ordered from the foundry - they will notify the PC and the contractor when they are ready for collection.</p> <p>The meeting agreed the railings should be finished in black –alternative colours could be an option in the future.</p> <p><b>Memorial Park Toddler Play Area</b></p> <p>Cllr Fieldhouse has received 2 pledges of £1000 each from The Bearder Charity and Sonoco who have also expressed an interest in sponsoring a small piece of play equipment.</p> <p>Cllr Fieldhouse will contact CMBC to arrange a further meeting and third quote from a play equipment provider.</p> <p><b>Winter gritting</b></p> <p>CMBC have confirmed that all the sites identified by the PC would be acceptable for grit bins and agreed that they could be delivered straight to their depot in Elland.</p> <p>Two locations are on unadopted streets - Cllr Bottomley and Weeks will post consultation letters to these residents and the sites will be evaluated before confirming the locations.</p> <p>Cllr fieldhouse to obtain quotes for the bins.</p>
2021E26.7	<p>It was noted that Cllr Weeks gave an update on the Warden's work completed this month. John has been working in Shaw Park removing vegetation from around the pond, litter picking ,cutting back overgrown shrubs on Chapple Street and clearing the Cat Steps.</p> <p>Planned jobs include putting wood chip on the muddy path at the entrance to Shaw Park from Brooklands Avenue.</p>
2022E26.8	<p>Resolved that the following items requiring approval by full council</p> <p>Recommend that the opportunity to use the site in Holywell Green should be pursued.</p>



<b>2021E26.9</b>	Resolved that the following items are of interest for the Communications Committee News-letter : Cat steps clearance and Shaw Park work
<b>2021E26.10</b>	<p>Storage and lock up facility</p> <p>The meeting discussed a suggestion put forward at the February full council meeting regarding an alternative location for a storage container behind the library.</p> <p>This meeting felt that the space and access behind the library were resiricted, the container could have a negative impact on the conservation area and that light could be blocked to the lbrary windows.</p> <p>Resolved to recommend to full council that the opportunity to use the site in Holywell Green should be persued.</p>
<b>2021E26.11</b>	<p>Correspondence received.</p> <p>Correspondence from CMBC regarding the area known as the Plantation had been received by Cllr Fieldhouse. A resident who had previously expressed an interest in purchasing the land had made a further enquiry and suggested that no improvements had been made by the Parish Council.In a response via CMBC, Cllr Fieldhouse outlined the significant amount of work that has been carried out on the site and reiterated the PC's initial stance that the land should not be sold in to private ownership.</p>
<b>2021E26.12</b>	Resolved that agenda items will be sent to the Parish Clerk for the next meeting.
<b>2021E26.13</b>	Date of Next Meeting Tuesday 1 <sup>st</sup> March 2022