



Stainland and District Parish Council 27th Environmental Committee Minutes Draft

Draft Minutes of the 25th Environmental Committee Meeting of the Stainland and District Parish Council held on **Tuesday 5th April 2022 at 7:00pm** for the purpose of transacting the following business.

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

Minutes taken by Cllr Fieldhouse

	Item
2022E27.1	To note apologies for lateness or absence Claire Eastwood sent apologies
2022E27.2	All accepted the minutes of the Meeting held on 1 March 2022 (26th Environmental Meeting). The minutes were accepted as a true record of the meeting
2022E27.3	Resolved there were no Parish Councillors' declarations of interest received.
2022E27.4	One member of the public attended for the Public Participation. The attendee who is a member of the Friends of Shaw Park Group told the meeting that she will be organising a park clear up day in conjunction with CMBC Volunteer coordinator. The attendee sought the support of members of the parish council in attending on the day and with helping to promote the event via the council's website and social media. The attendee informed the meeting that they intended to speak to the remaining members of Shaw Park Restoration Group to discuss transfer of their constitution, banking and insurance arrangements to the Friends of Shaw Park Group
2022E27.5	To receive updates on live projects identified in project summary sheets Board Walk Repairs Shaw Park. The new timbers will be treated as soon as the weather is suitable. Pond Renovation Shaw Park Work has been delayed again due to the start of the amphibian breeding season and will be rescheduled for late spring / early summer. Transfer of Allotments The purchase of the land is proceeding following guidance from YLCA and the PC's solicitor, (some potential limitations on the title have been identified because of how the ownership of the land was recorded as it has passed through generations of the family to the current owner). This matter was discussed in detail at Full Council on 31.3.22 Cllr weeks will enquire about costs to have the land independently valued as resolved by full council.



	<p>Noted that the asking price of £5000 for the whole plot of land was felt to represent good value for money by those present.</p> <p>Cat Steps Cllr Bottomley reported that the contractors will be putting down aggregate on the muddy sections of the path in the next few weeks and the new sign will be in place shortly.</p>
2022E27.6	<p>To note any additional information regarding the following proposed projects</p> <p>Grounds Maintenance Resolved to remove this item from future agendas until further notice.</p> <p>Jubilee Commemorative Orchard This project may be possible to commence in autumn pending the acquisition of the allotment and orchard site. In the meantime, Cllr Fieldhouse will provide estimates for the number of trees, stakes, and guards likely to be required. The Northern Fruit Group have been contacted for additional advice.</p> <p>Heritage Railings Cllr Fieldhouse to ask for expected ready date.</p> <p>Memorial Park Toddler Play Area A third quote for a scheme has been arranged in association with CMBC's Playgrounds Officer. Cllr Fieldhouse to chase progress.</p> <p>Winter gritting The meeting viewed examples of styles and prices for grit bins. Resolved that heritage style bins would be more appropriate for the conservation area and the semi-rural setting of the parish in general. Criteria for selection of sites was recapped as; areas that are not on a CMBC main gritting route and do not already have a bin provided by CMBC, housing estates, side roads with steep access (with an aim to reducing the number of cars parked on Stainland Road which contribute to congestion and access issues for busses)</p> <p>Noted Not all sites identified will be able to be catered for within the current forecasted budget but if the proposed project is a success there could be scope to increase the number of grit boxes provided in future. Cllr Bottomley and Cllr Weeks will post consultation letters to residents of Town Ing and The Carriage.</p> <p>Noted that pavements on routes to schools and local car parks could be potentially gritted by Volunteer Snow Wardens and that many other Parish Councils have successful snow warden schemes</p>
2021E27.7	<p>To Receive an update on tasks done by the warden Cllr Weeks gave an update on the Warden's work completed this month. John has attended a training course and re-laid the top path in Shaw Park with wood chip.</p>
2022E27.8	<p>To identify any items requiring approval by full council Resolved that no items were identified as requiring approval by full council</p>



2021E27.9	To identify any items of interest for the Communications Committee Newsletter Resolved that no Items were to be proposed for the Communications Committee Newsletter:
2021E27.10	To discuss storage and lock up facility Resolved to delay this proposal but agreed to investigate any more suitable proposals before resubmitting a further proposal to full council. It was acknowledged that the cost and benefit to the PC in providing such a facility would not be a tangible benefit to residents and that priority should be given to completing existing projects that would.
2021E27.11	To discuss any items Correspondence Two items of correspondence were received and discussed. A response was agreed. Resolved that councillor weeks would respond to the correspondent on behalf of the committee.
2021E27.12	To discuss development of volunteer / community environment working groups. A discussion took place around potential liabilities related to volunteers and the provision of equipment such as litter pickers by the Parish council. Resolved Cllr Weeks to seek advice from YLCA
2021E27.13	To consider quotations and options for lock up storage and workshop facilities for the parish council and environmental warden. This item was unintentionally duplicated from item 10
2021E27.14	To discuss renewal of chair and vice chair positions for this committee As agreed by full council on 31.3.22 the Environment Committee will be chaired by Councillor Weeks Resolved Councillor Bottomley will act as Vice chair
2021E27.15	To agree agenda items for the next meeting Review current projects and budgets and discuss forward planning
2021E27.16	Date of Next Meeting Cllr Mullany requested that the date of future meetings be changed to the 1 st Wednesday of the month Agreed to request the Clerk to amend meeting dates accordingly commencing with next meeting. Next meeting Wednesday 4th May 2022 7.00 pm