



Little Stanney & District Parish Council
Parishes of Croughton, Little Stanney,
Stoak and Wervin

MINUTES OF THE EXTRAORDINARY MEETING 7

Parish Council meeting held on

TUESDAY, 28th JANUARY 2025 at 7pm in LITTLE STANNEY VILLAGE HALL

Present: Councillors Astbury (Chair), L Carter, Hartshorn, Mountford, Parry, Pemberton and Thomas. A Kunaj (Clerk). CWaC Cllr M Parker sent her apologies for the meeting.

PART 1

102 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE: Resolved to approve apologies for absence from Cllr P Carter (personal).

103 CO-OPTION: Members noted that the resident who had recently attended at the Parish meeting has expressed that due to time constraints, would not now be submitting an application for co-option to the Parish Council.

104 PUBLIC SPEAKING TIME: None.

105 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST: None.

106 MINUTES OF THE MEETING: Resolved to approve the minutes of the meeting held on 26th November 2024 as a true and correct record and noted the record of the meeting of 21st January 2025. The Chair signed the minutes and the record.

107 POLICE REPORT: PCSO Flannigan was absent (as he had attended on 21.01.25).

108 CLERK'S REPORT: The Clerk's report was received.

a. *Protos, grant application for replacement notice boards;* this had been successful.

b. *Stoak Nature park; hedge cutting;* the contractor was unable to provide this service and an alternative contractor and quote is to be found*.

109 HIGHWAYS UPDATE

a. Members noted that an update and quote from CWaC to provide an additional cleaning service is still awaited and has been chased. *See also item 114 below.*

b. Rake Lane: No updates on the flooding was available.

c. Picton Road, Bunbury Arms: The latest update and CWaC responses were advised.

d. Members noted that at the location of the Bunbury Arms, cleaning of the drains had taken place. Strawberry Cross was reported to have an excess of litter in the area.

110 PLANNING

1. Applications received for comment were noted:

Application No	Details	Comment by
24/03165/S73	10 Chapel Court, Wervin Rd CH2 4BT	16.12.24 No comment
24/03387/FUL	Cheshire Oaks Outlet Village External access staircase, door, alteration to kerb line, gravel bed and inst. Of bollards	23.12.24 No comment

2. Decisions made by CWaC were noted.

Application no	Detail	Decision
24/03184/TEL	Land at Picton Lane Chester. Installation of 20m lattice mast, headframe, 12 RRUs, 6 Operator cabinets, 2.1 high fencing, barbed wire and access gates.	Refused

3. Applications awaiting decisions, (more than 12 months old) are still outstanding;
23/03986/DIS Top Farm, Croughton Rd CH2 4DA (item 8,3 min 26.03.24) & and
21/01523/HED and 21/01530/FUL Lime Tree Farm CH2 4HT, no update. Email was sent
to CWAC planning department and to the local ward Cllr.

Chair's initial and date _____

111 FINANCE

a. Income: The income of the VAT refund of £1,426.56 was noted.

b. Resolved to retrospectively approve payments and approve known payments due: -

Date	Item type	Description	Amount
24.07.24	Total of payments approved at 26.11.24 meeting		£1,739.41
Payments made under delegated authority £			
SO	Barnes Cooper	Payroll M9 Dec	10.00
Bank TRF	Clerk	Salary M9 Dec & Reimbursement	265.96
Bank TRF	HMRC	M9 October	61.80
DD	Unity Bank	Service Chg. Dec	6.00
Total of payments made			* £343.40
Payments due and approved January – Feb 2025			
Bank Transfer & SO		Deposit for purchase of notice boards. 50% OF TOTAL COST	1221.00
		Service charges Jan (M28)	6.00
		Room hire (Village Hall) Jan x 2	50.00
		HMRC M10 (Jan)	71.20
		Salary & Expenses M10	302.70
		Hedge Cutting Nature Park (£180+VAT)	216.00
		Barnes Cooper payroll SOs x 2 Jan/Feb	20.00
		Total	
Hedge cutting for Nature Park; as new quotes were to be sought (see item 108b above)*. Resolved to provide delegated authority for a max spend of £200 to the Clerk for the job.			

c. Resolved to approve the Bank reconciliation to 31/12/24 as shown on bank statement £12,795.63. The Chair signed the balancing figures.

Balance at 31/10/24	12,393.54
Income	1,426.56
SUB	13,820.10
Expenditure *	2,082.81
Balance	£12,795.63

112 BUDGET AND PRECEPT

Resolved that a precept request be made to CWaC of £11,788 for the council's financial year 2025-26, resulting in a band D increase of £7.23 per year.

113 STOAK PLAY AREA:

a. Resolved to approve continuation of SLA for Northwich Town Council to inspect the area (twice @ £75 per inspection).

b. Members agreed to visit the site and provide any updates for the next meeting.

114 COUNCILLOR REPRESENTATIVES

a. *North West Industrial Cluster Decarbonisation Community focus groups:* Further updates and progress reports and meetings are awaited.

b. *McArthur Glen, Cheshire Oaks Business Forum:* Saville's may be willing to fund signage, as outlined by the 'keep Britain tidy' campaign "don't be a tosser". Cllrs wished to see these signs as hangers below the current Parish boundary signs. The Clerk will make enquiries to seek permission from CWaC for this and investigate the signage via the campaign information. The Forum advised that McDonalds volunteers will be doing a litter pick; the date is not yet fixed.

115 PROTOS REPORT: The carbon capture plant has been given the go ahead. No future community benefit fundings are available for the next 12 months.

116 ITEMS FOR INFORMATION/AGENDA ITEMS FOR NEXT MEETING: None.

117 DATE AND TIME OF NEXT MEETING The next meeting is scheduled for Tuesday 25th March 2025 at 7pm, in Little Stanney Village Hall. **Meeting closed at 19.43.**

Chairman's signature _____ **Date** _____