

NOTICE

Stanton St Bernard Parish Council – Parish Council Meeting

Thursday 25 May 2023

to be held after the Annual General Meeting at 7.00pm

Stanton St Bernard Village Hall

AGENDA

Items to be considered

1. Those present
2. Apologies for absences
3. Minutes (to confirm the minutes of the meeting held on 12 January 2023)
4. Matters arising
5. Wiltshire Councillor's Report – Paul Oatway
6. Finance
 - Bank Reconciliation
 - Stanton St Bernard Parish Council
Zurich Insurance plc: Policy No. YLL 2720278713 - Renewal date: 01/06/2023
Premium £287.47
 - WACL 2023/24 Annual Subscription £66.63 + VAT £13.33 – Total £79.96
 - Reimburse Bryan Read for Engraving Studios invoice 52083 for £169.90 + VAT £28.32 – Total £169.90. Coronation Walk signage.
 - Reimburse Bryan Read for Chew Valley Trees Ltd invoice 2231882 for £180 + VAT £36 – Total £216. Trees for Coronation wood.
7. Village hall and village matters
8. Climate Change
9. Coronation Wood and Coronation Walk
10. Any other business:
 - Any other business
11. Date of next meeting

**Minutes of Parish Council Meeting held on 25 May 2023
at the Village Hall, Stanton St Bernard**

- 1. Present**
- Councillors: Mr Bryan Read, Chairman
Mrs Joyce Hale, Vice-Chairman
Mr Dominic Hawker
Mrs Wendy Tarver
- Parish Clerk: Mrs Karyn Bidmead
- In attendance: Mr Paul Oatway – Wiltshire Councillor
- 2. Apologies**
- Mr Adam Pratt
- 3. Minutes**
- The minutes of the previous Parish Council meeting held on 12 January 2023 were read and approved, having been proposed by Mrs Tarver and seconded by Mrs Hale.
- 4. Matters arising**
- Winterbourne near Cowleaze Cottage
Mr Read is to cut back the tree that is growing in the winterbourne next to the drain cover in the winterbourne near Cowleaze Cottage.
 - Defibrillator Training
The date is to be rearranged as the person doing the training did not turn up.
- 5. Wiltshire Councillor's Report**
- Mr Oatway presented his report as follows:
- Wiltshire Council are funding a rural transport initiative. Buses (18 seater) have been purchased to operate in the Pewsey Vale only servicing Pewsey, Devizes and Marlborough. It will work on a "dial a bus" basis and will pick up and drop off at the passenger's home and will cost £2 per trip. This should be operational by July.
 - It has been passed that as of 2025 Wiltshire Council will recover election costs, but this is still being reviewed.
 - The budget has been set for next year.
 - Extra charging points for electric vehicles are being installed across Wiltshire.
- 6. Finance**
- The state of the accounts as at the date of the meeting stand at:
- Bank: £10,604.07 (available funds)
- Bank Reconciliation
A bank reconciliation together with a copy of the latest bank statement was circulated and read by all the Parish Councillors. This was formally agreed, and a copy is attached and forms part of these minutes, having been proposed by Mr Read and seconded by Mrs Hale.
 - The following payments were approved:
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7. Village Hall and village matters

There were no matters to discuss.

8. Climate Change

There was nothing to report

9. Coronation Walk and Coronation Wood

Mr Read explained that the Coronation Walk is a permissive footpath from the north end of Coate Road to Borden Well granted by the Nosworthy Estate. The Walk leads to Coronation Wood which is being planted on land owned by the Nosworthy Estate.

Signage has been purchased and installed, and villager Mr Chris Beaven is making a wooden sign for the Wood with wood from an old oak tree from the village.

It was suggested that there be an official opening and that Alex Pitot of Nosworthy Estate be invited to formally open the Walk and Wood.

10. Any other business

- Any Other Business:
 - Mr Read proposed that the annual salary for the Parish Clerk be increased by 10%. This was seconded by Mr Hawker and unanimously agreed by all that with effect from 1 June 2023 the Parish Clerk’s annual salary be increased by 10% from £935 per year to £1,028 per year.

11. Next Meeting

The next meeting is scheduled on Wednesday 26 July 2023 at the Village Hall at 7pm.

Termination

There being no further business for discussion the meeting was closed.

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Chairman

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Date