

Bobbington Parish Council

Minutes of the full council meeting held on the 19th of July 2023 held in Bobbington Village Hall.

Present: Cllr R Reade, Cllr V Wilson, Cllr A Burton, Cllr M Snelson, Cllr J Stanton and Cllr M Slater.

In Attendance: Clerk – Mrs V Morris and Mrs C Martin

01/23 Apologies for absence

Apologies have been received from Cllr I Rees, Cllr S Hadgett and Cllr L Jones.

02/23 To receive declarations of interest in accordance with the Local Government Act 2000

No declarations of interest were received.

03/23 To sign as a correct record the minutes of the meeting held on 21st of June 2023

The council reviewed the minutes of the meeting held on the 21st of June 2023. The council agreed to accept the minutes subject to requested changes.

04/23 Matters arising from the minutes: -

a. Bobbington Parish Council forward plan

The council reviewed the examples of Forward action plans that were provided by the parish clerk, the council discussed the short- and long-term goals that they would like to include in the forward action plan for Bobbington Parish Council. The action plan will be drafted and included in the next meeting to be reviewed pending approval.

05/23 Churchyard capacity

No updates have been received regarding this matter; Cllr Stanton has been asking for updates to no avail.

6. Highway Matters

a. Flooding - a review of problem areas

i. The brook adjacent to the Glebelands, Six Ashes Road

The council discussed the ongoing issues that are being experienced regarding flooding in the parish. The report has been circulated around relating to issues with the brook being clogged, residents have been made aware of the need to keep this area clear.

b. Visibility Splays Tom Lane

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The council discussed the ongoing issues that are being experienced regarding the lack of maintenance to visual splays in the parish. Residents who are affected by this are looking into the matter and are asking for evidence relating to the matter that historically they were used as visibility splays, the council will be updated in this matter. The inspections that have been made by the district council and have been reported to not be a concern. Cllr Snelson will investigate the matter and update the council.

c. 77-79 Six Ashes Road

Cllr Snelson has updated that the water leak has been fixed in one part of the road, but the issues have persisted. There are further water leaks which are being investigated. A letter has been sent from the highways to the affected residents that states highways is not responsible for the issues.

07/23 Friends of Bobbington

No meetings are scheduled for July.

08/23 Reports from Committee Representatives:

a. Corbett School

Cllr Burton updated the council that the gate has been replaced, children attended the secondary school open days, and year 6 leavers events have been done well and the school is looking forward to the next years influx of students. Cllr Burton updated the council on the year 6 leavers events that are currently planned.

b. Bobbington Village Hall

The updates are as follows; the village hall committee are looking for new members and booking clerk.

c. Holy Cross Church

Cllr Stanton updated the council that the inspection has been done; no major works are required but there are some improvements and there is a new treasurer for the church.

d. Community speed watch

No activity this month, planned event on the 22nd of July 2023.

e. Health and wellbeing

No updates have been received.

f. Crime report

No updates have been received.

09/23 Public Question time

No members of the public at present.

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10/23 Finance:-

a. Cheques (to be detailed in the minutes)

i. Clerk Salary & Expenses (VM)

Cllr Stanton proposed to accept the payments of the clerk's salary and expenses, this was seconded by Cllr Slater and agreed unanimously by the council.

ii. Clerk Salary (CM)

The clerk is to organise the HMRC, and payroll needs and have the cheques signed outside of the meeting.

iii. HMRC Paye

Cllr Stanton proposed to accept the HMRC payments for the clerk's salary, this was seconded by Cllr Slater and agreed unanimously by the council.

Table of Payments	
Recipient	Payment Amount
Clerk Salary & Expenses (VM)	£246.65
HMRC (VM)	£35.60

iv. any additional cheques that need to be raised following discussion of agenda items.

11/23 Planning Matters:

a. Received

23/00346/FUL – The council has no objections to this planning application.

b. Received & responded to:

- 73 Six Ashes Road – the council noted that this was responded to.

12/23 Airfield Matters

a. new premises license

The clerk updated the council on the premises license updates discussed in the last meeting, the council commented that there were no objections to this.

13/23 Correspondence

Table of Correspondence:

SSDC Parish Council News Round-Up 315, 316, 317, 318

SDC - Chairman's Civic Sunday - Sunday 23 July 2023 (to L Jones)

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SSDC - Parish Summit Presentations 8.6.2023

SSDC - Draft First Homes Eligibility Criteria for South Staffordshire Consultation

SSDC - Crime stats, good news and some helpful hints

SCC - What's going on this July in Staffordshire's Libraries

CPRE - Does renewable energy have to cost the countryside?

SPCA Bulletin – 26/6/23, 5/7/23, 17/7/23

SSC - Licensing Awareness session for Parish Councils – via Teams

SCC - What's going on this July in Staffordshire's Libraries

CPRE - Does renewable energy have to cost the countryside?

SSC - Locality 5 - Community Safety Forum 25/7/23

SSC - What's happening at Your Library in the South Staffordshire area Summer

VAST - Funding Newsletter from the VAST Vault

Digital mapping can help your Neighbourhood Plan

Your OS licence (customer) number is changing

Introducing the SPCA's new Chief Executive – Robert Pettigrew

Staffordshire Fire and Rescue Services Community Newsletter

SCC – Staffordshire Library News and Events - August 2023

SCC – Road closures – various streets in South Staffordshire including Six Ashes Road, Halfpenny Green; for a period of no more than 5 days from 10th July 2023, 08:00 to 16:00 because of the likelihood of danger to the public during mobile carriageway.

SSDC – Virtual Locality forum feedback

CPRE - how solar-savvy are you? Take our rooftop solar quiz!

SPCA Health and Wellbeing Officer for SPCA

14/23 Any other business

Nothing was raised under this item.

15/23 To confirm the date of next Parish Council meeting to be the 20th of September 2023.

The date of the meeting has been noted by the parish council.

Meeting closed at 20.28.