

# STANTON IN PEAK

Minutes of the

## ANNUAL PARISH MEETING

held on **TUESDAY 14<sup>th</sup> March 2016 at 7:30pm**  
in Stanton Lees Chapel

**Attendance: Paul Morris - Chair and 8 other electors of the parish  
and 1 member of the public**

1. Appointment of Clerk to the Meeting.

The meeting appointed the Parish Clerk Matthew Lovell to take the minutes

2. Apologies

Councillor David Cooke, Councillor Noel Warr and District and County Councillor Jo Wild

3. To confirm the Minutes of the Annual Parish Meeting held on 17<sup>th</sup> March 2015

The minutes were confirmed and signed.

4. Statement of Accounts and Precept for 2015/16

The parish clerk noted that the parish finances are within budget for this year and reserves are adequate for a parish of our size. The draft accounts will be presented to the Council meeting for approval.

5. Chair's Report

- Before I start my report proper I would like to call on the Deputy Chair of the council to speak in honour of Keith Garton.

Ian Mortimore led the tributes to Keith as a former DCC Planner, Chairman of the Parish Council, knowledgeable planning advisor to the parish and enthusiastic local walker - a "gentleman of the parish". A minutes silence was held in his memory.

- Another soul to be remembered is that of Councillor Mike Longdon he worked hard to find solutions to Parish level matters particularly highways.
- This has been another busy year for all members of the Stanton in Peak Parish Council, and thanks should be extended to all councillors for their time and support throughout the year. The year started in crisis with post the council elections insufficient councillors to be quorate; we were rescued at the last minute by Jennifer Shimwell, very many thanks Jenny. Soon after the council welcomed Sue Fogg, Noel Warr and David Cooke giving the strongest Parish Council for some time; never the less there have been spare seats at Council all year. Unfortunately Jenny had to resign due to conflicting calls on her time again thank you for your support. The time burden on those attending meetings, site visits, planning meetings, liaison groups, etc. is much reduced now and new members are taking advantage of training courses to extend the councils competency base. Council remains representative of both sides of the hill but a Warren Carr councillor would still be most welcome.
- In no particular order the main issues covered include:-

- Quarries. There are continuing issues on all fronts, and public meetings have been called as critical issues arise.
  - Council has been represented at the Stanton Moor Minerals Liaison Group. This group has enabled council, resident pressure groups, quarry operators and the peak park authority to exchange information. Early and helpful notification of relevant information has resulted. Towards the end of the year the Chair resigned for personal reasons a relief has yet to be appointed but meetings have continued with a temporary Chair.
  - Stanton Moor Quarry. I reported last year that future of Stanton Moor Quarry remains to be determined and that we could expect Determination on this issue this year; and added that we had been waiting for some time already. Well we continue to wait. However the quantities of Stone offered for exchange have been reduced to less than half of the original claimed making this course of action more equitable and more likely.
  - Dale View Quarry. I reported last year that DVQ had jumped the gun and laid foundations for a new wire saw installation without planning consent and that an appeal by the operators was in progress against the PDNPA planning refusal. This appeal was rejected. The wire saw bases were to be removed, since then the company has indicated that they wish to render the bases unusable by cutting off fixing bolts. Council is due to discuss a company proposal for a secondary use. The maintenance shed moved closer to the main road has now been painted for the third time and appears to satisfy all colour observers. The PDNPA have stated that the buildings at the entrance of the Quarry will not be moved from their current location.
  - New Pilhough Quarry. have been subjected to a HSE fine following the collapse of buildings into the quarry. Currently discussions continue over exchange with SMQ.
- Planning general.
  - Council continues to review notified planning applications, including those from outside the Parish which might have an effect on us. Our thanks to all for being vigilant here and reporting views on developments. It is disappointing that a number of individuals in the Parish continue to push the planning boundaries either by not conforming to drawings or doing work then applying for retrospective permission.
- Highways
  - The announced review of signage was completed and a meeting held between the Police, Highways, Enthoven's, and the Parish Council. The meeting recognised that HGVs following Sat Navs mainly to and from Enthoven's were a major problem. Highways stated that there was a very long and costly lead time to change positions of signage but additional signage could be provided if outside funding was available. Enthoven's agreed to fund some signage to their works from both Bakewell and Matlock directions. Signs are in the planning stage.
  - whilst on highways; last year's savings on salt bins have been preserved and repeated mainly due to mild weather. A bulk stock remains in the village. Contact details are on each PC owned salt bin, please call if you find one that needs filling.
- Noise - Enthoven's have actively pursued a noise abatement programme and the permitting authority the EA have been involved. The factory is quieter

than it was but there is much work to be done to stop the ongoing noise pollution both in Stanton Lees and up on the Moor. The EA conducted Public drop in sessions for those households deemed directly affected. The EA has now disappeared from the scene and only acts via the company site permit, which seems increasingly less effective.

- The Green
  - the playground equipment refurbishment has been completed and Council has also completed works to the benches on the green as well as the two benches by the war memorial and the bench on the roadside above.
  - is now a location for the Stanton in Peak village defibrillator. The other being in Stanton Lees Chapel car park.
- Precept
  - your PC has yet again kept the precept at the same level, without reducing services. Council has supported Bakewell and Eyam Community Transport as an important service for the area as well as supporting the 2 village defibrillators, the church mowing contract and the Friends of the Peak District.

Finally my thanks and the thanks of the Parish Council must go to Hilary Campbell, Roger Eccleston and Lisa Day who left us prior to the elections all gave strong and meaningful service for which the Council is indebted to you, thank you all. And of course thanks to our Clerk for his work through the year. Giving us timely considered advice, writing our letters and creating order from our deliberations in the form of meeting minutes. Thank you Matthew.

Paul Morris

6. To consider any other Parish matter that may be brought forward by the Council or local government electors:

Electors wished to record their comments on the chairs report regarding the quarries as deriving from Mineral Officers views to the Liaison committee rather than Peak Park policy or views of the action groups represented and discussions about the removal of concrete bases, company failing to adhere to promises including the Appeals Inspector agreeing with the those opposing when planning officers supported were raised. It is understood the company will be bringing proposals forward shortly in a new application.

A query regarding the timetable for improved HGV signage was noted - 3 months from the meeting ie anytime now and it was also noted that more British lorries are getting lost that foreign and that the police response and action is inconsistent.

The tonnage for the possible quarry land swap has now reduced to 50000 tonnes and the map produced for the proposed working area notes that whereas Stancliffe leaves a buffer with Sheepwalk Wood, New Pilhough plans go to the boundary in an area where there has already been a landslip and fears were expressed that the wood could suffer if allowed.

There being no other matters raised the meeting closed at 8.05 pm

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