

STANTON – IN – PEAK PARISH COUNCIL: Minutes

Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on 21st November 2023
At 7:30 pm in Stanton Lees Chapel

PRESENT: Cllr S Fogg, Cllr R Griffith, Cllr A Mellor, Cllr P Morris and Cllr I Mortimore (Chair)
In attendance: Parish Clerk and 6 members of the public

1917 **Apologies for absence**

Apologies were accepted from : none required

1918 **Variation of order of business and Clerk's request for inclusion of Time Constrained items**

No variations required. Additional planning items: none

1919 **Declarations of Members Interests**

No declarations were required in respect of this meeting.

1920 **Public Speaking**

a) Members of the public

The closure of the Forticrete site on 8th December was confirmed by a Warren Carr resident. The site will then see movements to remove equipment to other factories but its long term plans are unknown. Council asked to be kept informed.

Ecobat – the EA correspondence regarding lead levels in air, water and soil is ongoing.

The reporting issues over the fire were relayed from a chance conversation with a fire service employee and it was noted that Ecobat should have more transparency in reporting incidents to locals. Council will make further enquiries.

b) PDNPA Parish Member Kath Potter sent apologies.

DCCllr Sue Hobson noted the Incident on 19th October had been sent to DCC Emergency Planning but she was unaware if the HSE had been informed. She reminded the meeting that applications for primary school places are now open and urged all to complete the online survey into Recycling.

DDDCllr Laura Mellstrom had no news from the District but stayed for the meeting in case any issues arose with which she could assist.

PCSO A Boswell noted: our SNT comprises 2 PCSO's and a PC based at Bakewell Fire Station and covering 53 villages. He noted an increase in burglaries in the Hope Valley region and asked the public to be vigilant for suspicious characters reconnoitering. He would like to attend more village events and Council asked the clerk to forward an electronic version of Snail as the best method to convey this.

1921 **To confirm the Non-exempt minutes of the previous meeting**

RESOLVED to confirm as a correct record the minutes of the meeting held on 12th September 2023 were signed by the Chair.

1922 **To determine which if any from Part 1 of the Agenda should be taken with the public excluded:** none

1923 **Planning Applications** – due to the 28-day return deadline, Council will discuss any applications received between publication of the agenda and the meeting date at this meeting.

- i) **Decisions received – Youlgrave District:** 21/01192/DCOND/ Stanton Lees House Oldfield Lane Stanton Lees Discharge of Condition 5 of application no. 21/01192/FUL:- Replacement two storey side extensions, erection of front canopy and installation of dormers – Discharged in Full (Stanton District ref to this property still awaiting decision)

ii)

Applications returned due to time constraints:

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NP/DDD/0923/1085 – Hawthorne House extension and summer house
Council objects to this application on grounds of massing and overdevelopment. In relation to the original cottage footprint this further extension takes an already significantly expanded building to a disproportionate scale.

It is noted that the summer house appears overly large and that there is already a, recently renovated, standalone stone built office in the garden.

The building is in the Conservation Area of the village and although the impact of the majority of the extensions are to the rear, they can still be seen from the road to the school and possibly from the area by the bus stop.

NP/DDD/1022/1238 S.73 application for the variation of conditions 5 and 71 on NP/DDD/0712/0760. New Pilhough Quarry – additional information

Council notes that the latest consultation letter issued to us on 2 October 2023, contains a report submitted by PDNPA Ecologists which was dated 15 August 2023. We are also in receipt of emails from Mineral Planners dated March and June which stated there was urgency in progressing the outstanding information. Delays have allowed quarrying to continue without a valid consent and on the back of a submitted application awaiting determination, now 12 months since first submitted.

As previously documented by Stanton-in-Peak Parish Council, permission to quarry at New Pilhough Quarry should have ceased at the end of December 2022. The quarry operator, Blockstone Ltd submitted their application to seek a two year time extension in October 2022, at that point they also submitted a revised restoration plan - which, looking at the plan attached to the ecology report appears to be the same. So, we ask why has it taken 12 months for the Ecology report to be issued for consultation?

The Ecology report submitted fails to give any period of time for aftercare, the lapsed planning permission stated a five year period had to be in place as part of any restoration, Blockstone Ltd have suggested a 10 year plan. Some comment on the length of aftercare needs to be stipulated. (Existing Condition 80)

The restoration plan submitted, deals only with the quarried area and the haul road section to Lees Road, there is no restoration plan submitted for the rest of the Haul Road (also referred to as the drug road in planning conditions previously set) The restoration plan MUST cover all the permitted area as per Condition 71 (NP/DDD/0712/0760)

Blockstone's own Agents, Silkstone Environmental Ltd provided a site location plan as part of the two year Extension of Time submission - Dwg.No. 19114/500 Rev A Clearly indicating that the Planning Permission Boundary (marked in red) includes the quarried area and the full sections of haul road, from the quarry face through to Birchover Road. So, there can be no doubt that Blockstone Ltd should be including all of the permitted boundary for inclusion in a final restoration submission.

Failure to include the restoration of the full haul road in this restoration plan consultation breaks the legal Revocation Order of 1 August 2017 which permitted the additional tonnage at New Pilhough to be worked by the stated end date and the final full restoration - as per plan BS/NP/12/01 Rev B and Condition 43 (iv) of NP/DDD/1001/434 which clearly refer to 'access roads including all sections of the haul road. Appendix B of The Revocation Order Plan dated 18 July 2017 outlines both sections of the haul and drug road as forming the overall application site. Therefore, the section from Lees Road to Birchover Road MUST be included in all restoration plans.

Council are astounded that Mineral Planners have failed to ensure all the permitted area is included in the restoration, when their attention has been drawn to this aspect of restoration as being of great concern to the residents of our Parish.

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Council stands by our previous responses to this application.

iii) **for Decision – none**

iv) **Planning updates/issues:**

Tonnage sheets have been received for loads out meeting movement conditions.

Items for clarification with PDNPA: Clerk to chase above application to see what conditions are being set for NPQ and ask to be included in the draft.

Items for clarification with DDDC: none

1924 **Footpaths and Highways**

The Stand – no news. Highways – 30 mph Limit has been moved on Coach Lane.

Lees road collapse –a long term solution is awaited. The grit bins will be topped up shortly.

The Give Way sign at the bottom of the hill has been refixed.

The Application to amend the definitive map to re-open the recently closed footpath from Coach Lane to the cottages on Congreave Lane is to be submitted with the DCC evidence statements received to DCC Rights of Way for them to assess and decide whether to proceed.

A query on whether speed limits can be set from Darley Bridge to Warren Carr due to the dangers of HGV movements and obstruction to be made to Highways.

1925 **Reports and Decisions**

i. The Green / Parish assets

Lower gate - end of wall by gate cemented. Top gate post refixing has been organised.

Bush cut back awaiting village volunteers time.

ii. Stanton Moor liaison meeting

The PDNPA rebirth on 9th November saw attendance from National Trust, English Heritage, Historic England and the landowners representative and noted the 2007 Conservation Report is badly in need of update and that there are grants available that the landowner could apply for to control the bracken and trees. Every PSPO incident needs to be logged at DDDC to build a portfolio of evidence to prove the need for policing by all the authorities with the power to do so.

iii. Stanton Minerals Liaison Meeting

The next is on 13th December where the granting of permission for 12 months at NPQ will be raised.

iv. Ecobat Resources Liaison meeting

Whilst the meeting was positive, the lack of follow up was deplored and communication at all levels needs tightening up. Those attending would like to see draft minutes circulated within two weeks where possible with action points. A whatsapp action group was suggested by Ecobat for incidents but Council concluded the email trail is more effective as a record is kept. The horrendous noise of late night tarmacking is an example where notice could easily have been circulated beforehand.

v. Ecobat Lighting survey response

The Managing Director has replied apologising for the poor response and personally forwarding the missing lighting survey marked with changes to date. The Site Manager is to visit Stanton Lees at 5:30pm 29th November and walk the village to see and hear the lighting and noise issues and an invite to the MD will be sent on the off-chance he is available.

Council agreed that the survey and email should be shared with South Darley PC and the invitation extended to them.

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1926 Items for information and DALC (already circulated by email)

DALC Circulars/briefings; PDNPA Bulletins – Parishes Day was noted for not having returned to the levels of information and discussion that used to occur according to feedback.

1927 Finance

Resolved to authorise the following:

(a) Accounts for Payment

Cheque No	Net	Vat
Cheque No Payee		Vat
UB EON	£20.99	£1.05
UB HM Lovell (Nov salary)	£277.58	
Ddr NEST (Nov)	£20.54	
Ub CHT Telephone system	£200.00	
Ub Youlgrave RBL wreath	£25.00	
Ub HM Lovell (expenses)	£29.80	
UB EON green electricity	£24.86	£1.24
UB HM Lovell (Dec salary inc arrears)	£492.41	
Ddr NEST (Dec)	£36.44	
UB Stanton Lees Chapel hire	£60.00	
UB Stanton ip V hall hire	£60.00	

(b) Income – Interest £35.02

c) Budget Appraisal/Risk Assessment

Current balance at 14th November £3711.05

Savings Account at 14th November £5191.87

Bank mandate update was completed to add Councillor Mellor

1928 Precept for 2024

Council resolved to increase the precept by £200.00 to £7400.00 This amounts to £0.02 per week per household

1929 Date of next meeting – Tuesday 16th January SiPVH

2024: 12th March SLC, 14th May SiPVH, 2nd July SLC, 3rd or 24th September SiPVH, 19th November SLC

PART II – CONFIDENTIAL INFORMATION

1930 Council noted NALC Pay Award for the clerk backdated to 1st April in accordance with the terms of contract.

There being no further business the meeting closed at 9:32 pm