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Minutes of a meeting held on Tuesday, 3rd March 2020, at the Church Room, The Church of St Lawrence, Church Lane, Bramshall, ST14 5BQ. The meeting commenced at 7.45pm.

Present: Cllr Dartnell, Cllr Ollerenshaw, Cllr Oulsnam, Cllr Pattinson-Evans, Cllr Moore, Cllr Slater, Cllr G Smith, Cllr P Smith, Cllr C Whittaker (Borough) and the clerk.

20.03.001 APOLOGIES AND APPROVAL OF ABSENCES – Cllr Dunn

20.03.002 TO RECEIVE DECLARATIONS OF INTERESTS AND TO CONSIDER REQUESTS FOR DISPENSATIONS.

Cllr Oulsnam declared an interest in P/2020/00121

Cllr P & G Smith declared interest in P/2020/00167

20.03.003 TO RESOLVE THAT THE MINUTES OF PARISH MEETING HELD ON 4th February 2020 ARE A CORRECT RECORD - RESOLVED

20.03.004 TO RECEIVE AN UPDATE ABOUT PROGRESS OF RESOLUTIONS FROM PREVIOUS MEETING

- **SEVERN TRENT COMMUNITY GRANT – WATER TROUGH -**

A consultation letter was sent to all allotment holders, with SA Postcard on 08.02.2020.

After collating response, the Clerk applied to Severn Trent for £5,936 to install two further water troughs, a wild flower boarder on the verge at the entrance of the allotments and repairs to the boundary fence, under electricity pole.

Clerk updated allotment holders via a notice on noticeboard.

Councillors discussed the Bee Hive suggestion and RESOLVED to consult all holders on the idea.

- **STRAMSHALL and BRAMSHALL NOTICEBOARD – QUOTE TO CONSIDER**

Councillors considered two quotes from WH Durose.

£200 + VAT plus £100 + VAT – Stramshall

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RESOLVED to accept both quotes and Stramshall and Bramshall noticeboards will be refurbished and re-instated. Budget consulted.

Vote: For 5 – Against 0 – Abstained – 3.

- **SPEED INDICATOR SIGNS – STRAMSHALL**

The new Speed Indicator signs were installed on 14.02.2020.

Clerk confirmed to Morelock the RESOLUTION for payment - £353.70 + VAT for installation.

Police Commissioner Grant evaluation form completed 14.02.2020.

Data capture training offered to Councillors: Cllr Moore, Cllr Ollerenshaw and Clerk will attend.

Teething problems with the set-up of the speed limits are on-going, but Morelock have ensured site visits have taken place.

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- **BRAMSHALL CHICANE**

Councillors RESOLVED to write to Cllr Atkins to thank him for providing funds to complete the project.

Staffordshire County Council provided dates for a site visit – Councillors RESOLVED to meet the Highways Team on 30.03.2020 at 9.30am.

Councillors requested the New Road Layout signs to be installed immediately.

Cllr Dartnell provided pre and post chicane vehicle numbers and speeds from his Speed Watch duties.

Councillors RESOLVED to allow 6 months for the project to be evaluated.

Cllr Dartnell will provide comparable figures to the Council – i.e. Same location, same time, same day of week, in September 2020 meeting.

- **STRAMSHALL PLAYING FIELDS – GOAL POSTS**

SJL LANDSCAPES – measured our current pitch and it is neither a full size or a 5 aside, SJL create a 5 aside pitch, with one set of goal posts on Broomyclose Lane boundary and one on the open field boundary.

Councillors discussed suggested and RESOLVED to create a 5 aside pitch on the diagonal – one set of goals by mounds and the other by side entrance.

WH Durose provide a quote to re-install goal posts. £300 + VAT – RESOLVED to accept the quote.

Vote taken on both site of pitch and quote: For 7 – against 0

20.03.005 PUBLIC PARTICIPATION - NONE

20.03.006 TO CONSIDER PLANNING APPLICATIONS AND RECEIVE PLANNING DECISIONS:

NEW

Bridleway – application for upgrade 69,46.55 – Councillors discussed this application and asked Clerk to send comments – Object to this application as there is no continuation of the bridleway and restore to footpath instead.

P/2020/00123- No 31 Broomyclose Lane Stramshall ST14 5AN-Erection of a two-storey side extension, front porch and extension to driveway – comments to be added are: this is a nice enhancement of the house, no objections.

P/2020/00020 – The Old Crossing Hook Lane Crakemars ST14 5AS- Demolition of part of kennel building and blockwork runs to facilitate the conversion to form a dwelling – comments to be added: This commercial building needs an extension which will double the size of the building to enable a small dwelling. This application breaches the local plan rules on housing in remote areas. No housing need has been proven.

P/2019/01541 – Land to the West of Uttoxeter A50 Bypass Uttoxeter ST14 7RB - Application under Section 73 of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990 for a Minor Material Amendment for the erection of 450 dwellings and garages including 121 affordable units, together with drainage and highways infrastructure, and including details of access, appearance, landscaping, layout and scale (Phase 2) without complying with condition 1 of planning permission P/2019/01053 dated 9th December 2019 relating to amendments to approved plans by way of variation of approved external

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materials on Phase 2E from brickwork and render to a combination of red and dark grey brick and completely remove the use of render (Plots 409 - 418, 422, 425 - 430, 433 - 446, 453 - 455, 463 - 474)- No Comment added on 21.02.2020.

P/2020/00167-7 Hollington Lane Stramshall Staffordshire ST14 5AJ- Alterations including raising of roof height to existing garage to form sunroom/store – comments 20.03.2020
Comment to be added: Can planners please look at the criteria for loss of light and boundary distance on this application.

P/2020/00121 - Westlands 1 Cedar Drive Stramshall Staffordshire ST14 5BA-Erection of a 1.8m sliding entrance gate – comments to be added:

Could planners look at the access and reversing of cars from this road, due to no passing/turning on the site.

DECISIONS

P/2019/00629-Land to the West of Uttoxeter A50 Bypass Uttoxeter ST14 7RB-
Application under Section 73 of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990 for a Minor Material Amendment in respect of a Reserved Matters application relating to outline planning permission ref: P/2013/00882 for the erection of 450 dwellings and garages including 121 affordable units, together with drainage and highways infrastructure, and including details of access, appearance, landscaping, layout and scale (Phase 2) without complying with Condition 1 of P/2018/00510 in relation to changes to the house types, the facing materials and the boundary treatments – PERMITS

P/2018/01338 - The Robin Hood Leigh Lane Bramshall ST14 5BH - Change of use of Public House to form 3 no. dwelling houses (to include repair and re-instatement of building following fire) – REFUSED.

20.03.007 TO RECEIVE ORAL REPORT FROM BOROUGH/COUNTY COUNCILLOR - Cllr Whittaker
Cllr Whittaker updated the meeting on planning applications.

20.03.008 FINANCE – TO CONSIDER & AUTHORISE PAYMENTS OF LIST BELOW:

ESBC sent email to ensure precept increase was correct 11.02.2020.

HMRC Tax Notices (P9/P9T). Overpayment showing – Cllr Dunn will update Council in April meeting.

VAT refund submitted 12.02.2020 for £557.82

Asset Register updated – total Assets are £52,852.12 – signed by Chair and Clerk

Brightpay wages software bought for 2020-2021

HMRC employer payment booklet 2020-2021 received 28.02.2020

Cllr Dartnell provided a receipt for printer ink – Councillors RESOLVED to reimburse on is occasion only.

Clerk wage increase – Letter to Lloyds to amend standing order to £352 per month. Due to hours increased from 6 to 8 per week from 1st April 2020

Cheque Number	Details	Amount
103/SS	Mrs VRE Gibson – Clerk Wages March	£286.08

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104/088	Mrs VRE Gibson – Brightpay software refund	£58.80
105/089	St Lawrence Church, Bramshall PCC - meeting room donation	£30
106/090	DSK Engineering – self closing gate on play area, Stramshall	£228 (Inc. £38 VAT)
107/091	Staffordshire Parish Council Association – Annual Subs	£354
108/092	Mrs VRE Gibson – Expenses – allotment questionnaire postage -	£49.33
109/093	Society of Local Council Clerks – Annual Subs	£109
110/094	WH Durose – Bus stop repair and wind damage tree removal, playing fields	£199.20 (Inc. £33.20 VAT)
111/095	Morelock Installations – SIDs installation	£424.44
112/096	Stramshall Village Hall – Rent 2019-2020	£30
113/097	Mr A Dartnell – Printer Ink	£11
RECEIVED	Date	Amount
Allotment Rent	06.02.2020	£21
Allotment Rents	06.02.2020	£266.70
Leigh PC – Planning Training	12.02.2020	£10
Uttoxeter Town Council – Planning Training	18.02.2020	£40
Allotment Rent	01.03.2020	£16.80
Account Balances		
Lloyds	07.02.2020	£6,146.71
Leeks BS	11.12.2019	£9,794.50

20.03.009 CORRESPONDENCE

Staffordshire Fire & Rescue Service Safety Plan 2020-2024 Consultation - Views sought on our draft Safety Plan 2020-2024 - Consultation on the draft Safety Plan 2020-2024 is now open and runs from February 17 until March 22, 2020. <https://www.staffordshirefire.gov.uk/media/2567/draft-safety-plan-2020-2024.pdf>

Tea Valley Nature Reserve – www.teanvalleymeadow.co.uk informed clerk on their establishment and requested it be included on the parish council website – added to Stramshall Amenities area on 19.02.2020.

SPCA Bulletin – 20.02.2020 – NALC Annual Leave Policy – forwarded to Councillors – will review in April meeting.

Kate Griffiths MP – email to confirm she has received the update on the Speed Indicator Signs that

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are now installed in Stramshall – Her reference: (Case Ref: KG28)

Robin Hood public house planning application – a resident enquired about the opinion of the Parish Council on the viability of re-instating as a community project. Councillors discussed this idea and asked Clerk to respond with, “The Robin Hood is subject to a planning application, which could become an appeal. The Parish Council would not be in a position to comment until the application process is finished”.

Highways – weed control and verge grass cutting update - Helen Fisher -Cabinet Member for Highways and Transport - From April 2020, the County Council intends to specify a minimum of six grass cuts on highway verges per season Advice and guidance on how local councils can get more involved in roadside maintenance within their communities is available via www.highwaysyourway.info and from your Community Highway Engagement Officer. More information and the opportunity to make comment on the service levels defined above are available at <https://www.staffordshire.gov.uk/Highways/Weeds-Grass-Trees-Hedges/Grass.aspx>

Speed Watch Group – Bramshall – provided an update on the speed watch event - 'National Speed watch Campaign, all councillors provided with information.

Speed Watch Group – Stramshall – requested an update on activities 25.02.2020. They advised only 1 session last year

Best Kept Village – Bramshall will not be entering this year.

Lord William Lunch Group – emailed to say thank you to the Parish Council for the support they provide to the Christmas Tree project in Stramshall.

20.03.10 CLERK UPDATE

WH Durose – completed works on the bus stop on St Michaels Road, Stramshall

WH Durose – will complete works on the stile – footpath 58, when it is dry
Resident reported a damaged pin pole on footpath, Creighton lane, WH
Durose repaired 25.02.2020

Resident reported damaged fence on field opposite Stramshall Playing Fields –
Clerk contacted landowner, who will review.

Register of Interest Form sent to Cllr P Smith – this was returned to ESBC on 26.02.2020. DSK Engineering – instructed to install hinges on play area gate, stramshall playing fields.

Oak Tree – clerk informed resident that tree will be planted as soon as clerk health improves.

Toothill Lane Verge – update from Cllr Whittaker who carried out site visit -
This winter has severely tested the roads , ditches and verges and all we do need is a prolonged spell of dry weather.

Clerk updated resident about the installation of Speed Indicator Signs installation – as a follow up to her email on September 2019.

Clerk contract started 1st March 2015 – so she has now reached 5yr of service.
Parish Councillors emails – Clerk advised Councillor to delete unwanted emails and also empty their trash in order to ensure enough capacity to receive emails.

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Stramshall Playing Fields – Clerk used her delegated powers to instruct WH Durose to cut down a fallen tree on playing fields. 09.02.2020.

Allotment holder – Plot Number 12b – gave notice on his plot 20.02.2020.

Hedge – Broomyclose Lane, Stramshall – some of this hedge, that the Parish Council maintains, has been replaced by fencing – new hedge length is 12m. Cllr Oulsnam will contact owner to find out if they will now maintain the hedge on the footpath side. 25.02.2020

Coroner - Mr Andrew A Haigh HM Senior Coroner for Staffordshire South was contacted and Clerk requested the Parish Council be registered as a “person of interest” for Mrs Cathy Smith inquest. This request was denied. 28.02.2020.

Archives - emailed Mr Jones re archive minutes – 2003 -2009 and asked if he had any of them.

A50 – Project B – clerk wrote to Cllr Atkins, Kate Griffiths MP and Project Manager A50 to ask for an update and plans of the proposed site 26.02.2020.

Bramshall Newsletter – update on the chicane was sent for publication 26.02.2020.

ACE – Stramshall Group - clerk emailed them to ask if they had a bank account yet and when they would like their grant – highlighted that funds were available to them regardless of what was on their Facebook page 26.02.2020.

Hedge – Stocks Lane, Bramshall – Clerk wrote to owner of hedge and reported it via SCC Highways portal. 26.02.2020. Owner confirmed that hedge will be cut before birds’ nest.

Woodland Trust – tree planting pack – submitted request for 120 trees/hedging for Playing Fields - Your application reference: CTP33594 – if successful, delivery in November 2020.

WW1 Bench – Stramshall – Tesco Bags of Help have provided a sign to be attached to the bench area.

Clerk received a receipt from Cllr Dartnell for printer ink.

Stramshall Road – sign has been replaced at the entrance of the road.

Stramshall and Bramshall Village – Clerk asked Councillors if they wanted to apply to SCC for “Please Drive Safety Signs” at the entrance to both villages? Councillors RESOLVED for clerk to make the request.

Hedge/Hedgerow cutting - You must not do any work which might harm nesting birds or destroy their nests. You’ll usually find nesting birds during the main nesting and breeding season from 1 March to 31 August.

<https://www.gov.uk/guidance/countryside-hedgerows-regulation-and-management> - put on website.

20.03.11 COUNCILLORS REPORTS (information only)

Cllr Dartnell provided Defib reports.

Cllr Ollerenshaw provided play inspection reports.

ACE Stramshall Group – would like support in organising a VE Day event.

Stile on Creighton Lane – could enquiries be made to turn this into a dog friendly stile. Creighton Lane is flooding, could this be reported to SCC.

Bramshall Speed Watch – two volunteers are waiting for training.

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Stramshall Bus Shelter – dog and human excrement has been found.
Stramshall Village Hall car park – drug use is taking place within the car park, PCSO has been informed.
Planning on website – the link for P/2017/00496 is broken, Clerk to correct, P/2018/01235 was granted on Appeal, need to amend.
Pot hole by Bramshall Industrial Estate entrance has not be reported.
Spath – flooding to road continues to take place, Clerk to investigate with SCC.
Stramshall – flooding to road continues to take place, Clerk to investigate with SCC
Dog Warden – Clerk to report that dog warden needed for dog excrement on footpath behind Bramshall Inn, into Church Yard and then Leigh Lane.
Verge erosion – St Michaels Road, Stramshall – the tarmac has been washed away on the verge by Trafalgar House, Clerk to report.

DATE AND TIME OF THE NEXT MEETING:

The date of the next meeting was set for Tuesday, 7th April 2020 at 7.45pm at Stramshall Village Hall, Vicarage Drive, Stramshall. ST14 5DL. The meeting was formally closed at 21.26.

.....CHAIRMAN