

# Stanton Lacy Parish Council Minutes

**Draft Minutes of the meeting held virtually on Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> March, 2021 at 7.30pm.**

**Present:** Chairman: Cllr Finch, Councillors: R Gatehouse, E Gatehouse, P Jones and P Parker.

**In Attendance:** Cllr C Motley (Shropshire Council) from 8.10pm and H Coonick (Clerk/RFO)

**1. Apologies Received:** Cllrs C Radnor **And Accepted:** Cllr Whittaker (Bereavement) and P Williams (No internet Access)

**2. Declarations of Interest:** None

**3. Presentation Airband:** Cancelled

**4. Public Forum:** One member of the public attended.

**5. Approval of Minutes for Ordinary Meeting Held on 21<sup>st</sup> January 2021:** Resolved (unanimous) RG/PP

**6. Finance:**

a. **Finance Report:** The accounts report, bank statement with reconciliation and forecast of expenditure was presented to the council. The council were within budget with a Current Account balance of £7094.07 as of 03/03/21. £5,193 is ring-fenced for specific projects.

**Resolved (unanimous) MF/JW**

b. **Payments:** It was agreed to pay A Pritchard a further £146.71 for the re-siting of the bus shelter from the Repairs and Replacements budget. The payments were agreed. **Resolved (unanimous) MF/PJ**

	Paid	Authorised at Meeting	Expected & Approved
G Trim (Lengthsman)	85.00		100
A Pritchard, Re-siting of Bus Shelter	£222.06 + £44.41 vat	£122.26 + £24.45 vat	
H Coonick (Annual Salary )	£1827.28		
H Coonick (admin costs)	64.00		
H Coonick (mileage)	30.00		
H Coonick (Admin reimbursement)		£16.99	

c. **Agree the Internal Auditor:** It was agreed that Mr Brian Cairns would be the Internal auditor for 2021-2022.

**7. Reports From Representatives:**

a. **Cllr Motley, Shropshire Council:** Cllr Motley was informed that there had been no progress on the highway's issues discussed at the last meeting including the Blacksmiths Lane hole, Titterhill verge and cars parked on the grass verge in Stanton Lacy. She alerted the Council to the Community Governance Review that will take place after the elections in May. She encouraged the Council to consider joint working with other parishes and to look at boundary anomalies.

8. **Preparations for the Elections:** Parish Council and Unitary Election will be held on the 6<sup>th</sup> May. Those wishing to stand for election need to complete nomination papers and submit them to Shropshire Council by the 8<sup>th</sup> April.
9. **Review and Adopt Statement of Internal Control:** Discussed and adopted.
10. **Agree the Neighbourhood Fund Report:** The bus shelter had now been moved and Perspex windows added. The Council thanks Mr Pritchard for his work. This completes the expenditure of the Neighbourhood Fund and the Council agreed the Neighbourhood Fund report. **Resolved (unanimous) MF/RG**
11. **Decide upon a Contractor for the Minor Highways Grant:** Cllr R Gatehouse will liaise with the Clerk to consider and interview the applicants. The Council gives Cllr Gatehouse and the Clerk authority to offer the contract to the most appropriate applicant.
12. **Consider the Options for an Electric Car Charging Point in the Parish:** It was agreed to delay considering this option for a year until more people have electric cars.
13. **Agenda Items for the Next Meeting:** Bench for the old bus shelter site.
14. **The Annual Parish Council Meeting and the Annual Parish Meeting will be held on the 20<sup>th</sup> May 2021 at 7.30pm**

The Parish Council would like to thank Jake Pritchard for his work on ditches and bridleways within the Parish as part of his Duke of Edinburgh's Award.

Signed: ..... (Cllr Martin Finch, Chairman) Date:.....