

THE FIRST TIER OF LOCAL GOVERNMENT

Minutes for the Parish Council Meeting **30th April 2024 at 7.30pm at The Welcome Centre, Little Stanion.**

Present:

Councillor Charlie Anson (Chair)
Councillor Roger Jones (Vice Chair)
Councillor Ben Darling
Councillor Stuart Masterson
Councillor Stuart Nash

Dionne Busby (Clerk/RFO)
5 Members of the public

513/23-24

Apologies for Absence

Councillor Wade is currently on a sabbatical, no apologies received from Councillor Marcu.

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Declarations of disclosable pecuniary/other interests by Councillors and dispensation Requests.

There were no disclosures of interest by members in items on the agenda.

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Minutes of previous meeting

Minutes of the Little Stanion Parish Council meeting held on Tuesday the 26th March 2024 RESOLVED these minutes be **CONFIRMED** by this Parish Council as being a correct record of the meeting held on Tuesday 26th of March 2024.

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Public Participation Session

A resident shared the information of JME winding up petition, this resident also shared what they knew of JME's history with regards S106.

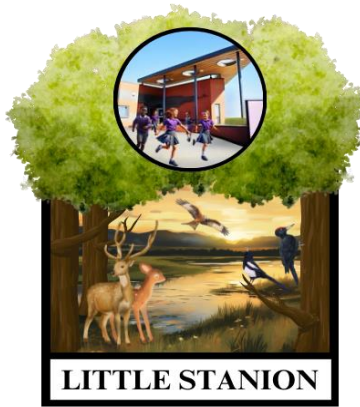
Another residents wanted information on what the winding up petition meant for the village.

Councillor Jones came in here.

517/23-24

Reports – for information only.

1. Safer Communities Team and Highways were not in attendance but sent their apologies and a link to look at the work they have been doing locally.
<https://sway.cloud.microsoft/Y71qnYtzzjN128mW?ref=Link>
2. Northants Councillors. No update
3. PC Brad Wilson Policing. Pc Wilson sent his apologies and a report that was read out during the meeting.
4. Any other reports. None.
5. PPFCC Northants Candidates – None in attendance.



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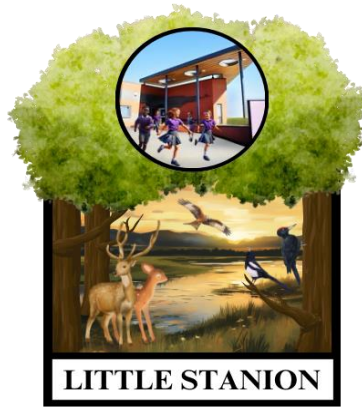
Finance

1. Report all bank balances, monies received and any invoices raised – **RESOLVED**
2. To Consider & approve the payments made between 26th March 2024 and 30th April 2024 (report sent to Councillors ahead of the meeting). It was **RESOLVED** to approve these payments.
3. Bank reconciliation The Clerk shared the full year to date bank reconciliation and supporting statements. It was **RESOLVED** to approve the bank reconciliation.
4. Insurance – The Clerk looked at 3 different options, Zurich Clear Councils (formally known as BHIB) Clear Councils renewal came out the cheapest option for the cover needed but the council. It was **RESOLVED** to continue and renew with Clear Council for the next 12 months.
5. Update on clerks extra 16 training hours for March 2024. The Clerk was due to start Cilca in March however a day prior to the start of the course the trainer contacted the Clerk to say the training will be postponed as she was unwell. The money for the extra hours had already gone out and been taxed and NI taken out. The Clerk contacted NCALC to see that should be done. NCALC said to treat it as an advance payment. The final month on the course once it is completed the Clerk will not receive a payment. This advice was read out during the meeting and accepted by The Council.

Schedule of Payments April 2024

Payee	Details	Powers	Net £	VAT £	Total £
Dionne Busby (S/O)	Clerks April Salary via Charity Payroll Service s/o This includes 16 hours for Cilca Training.	LGHA 1972, s112	901.59	-	901.59
Dionne Busby	Clerks April Expenses	LGA 1963 s112	45.99	-	45.99
The Payroll Company (S/O)	Charity Payroll Service s/o	LGA 1972, s111	32.50	-	32.50
Rialtas	Annual support and maintenance	LGA 1972 s143	192.00	38.40	230.40
NCALC	Annual membership	LGA 1972 s143	989.40	46.40	1.035.80
NCALC	Cilca training	LGA 1972 s111	545.00	109.00	654.00
Dionne Busby	Postage for letter sent to LSFM ref Grit bins	1972 s226	4.35	-	4.35
NAYC	Youth Club sessions	1972 s145	3300	660.00	3960
NAYC	Affiliation for Youth Club	1972 s145	118.00		118.00





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Debo -Get active	Community walks, play group, Easter sports camo sessions	1972 s145	570	-	570
Dionne Busby	Toilet brush for Welcome Centre	1972 s137	6.80	-	6.80

Clear Councils	Insurance	LGA 1972 s143	617.87	-	617.87
Delightful cakes	DDAY cupcakes (paid)	LGA 1973 s145	250	-	250
Bethany Atkins	DDAY Facepainting deposit (Paid)	LGA 1973 s145	67.50	-	67.50

Lloyds Credit card (paid)

Payee	Details	Power	Net £	Vat £	Total £
Tesco	15 free from Easter eggs for Easter event	LGA 1972 s145	66.45	-	66.45
Tesco	145 Easter eggs for Easter event	LGA 1972 s145	174.00	-	174.00

The Clerk's reported on the bank balance and monies received and spent since the last Total combined bank balances £74,193.49 LSPC Current £51,471.92 LSPC Savings Account £17,657.58. LSVC Current £1,435.10 and LSVC Savings Account £3,628.89 PayPal total currently £126.50 (Precept of £31,050.00 was received on the 19th April 2024 in the LSPC current account)

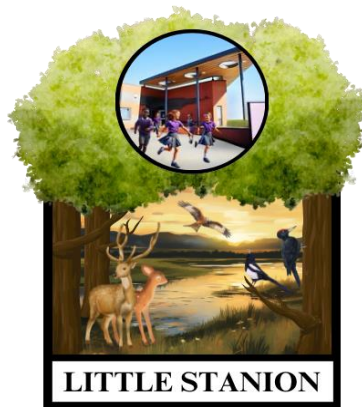
519/23-24 **Committee Reports**

1. **Co-ordination and Liaison working group** – They have not met yet. No update
2. **LSVC** – LSVC will be meeting on the 14th of May, an update for plans for the D-day celebration was given. The budget of £3500 was given for this event (while the Council wait to hear if we have sourced funding) The Clerk will be paying for invoices throughout this month as budget has already been agreed. Flyer to be ordered and a solo leaflet drop to be booked.
3. **Resources** – No update
4. **Planning Committee** – update will be given in planning matter on the agenda.
5. **Communication** – No update.

520/23-24 **Grants-** Cllr Jones has put in for a grant for the youth club, D-day event and for a coffee morning. The council wait to see if our application has been successful.

521/23-24 **Representative Matters** – The Clerk has started the Cilca Course.





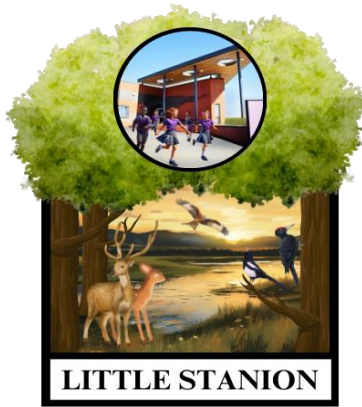
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522/23-24 Planning Matters

1. **Further update to be brought to the council attention by the Planning Committee**
 - **NNC meeting update** No further update, the council are keeping an eye on any developments.
 - **Any other planning applications – None**

523/23-24 Village Matters

1. **JME Development Ltd update** Bob Young will want to have a meeting with the Parish Council after the Court case against JME is heard. The Parish Council will ask for a face-to-face meeting.
2. **LSFM meeting update-** The Clerk with instruction from the Council sent a letter asking LSFM for a meeting to discuss the management charge increase. LSFM sent this reply which was read out during the email :-
*~With regard to the increase charges LSFMC do not have a contract with the Parish Council. The charges were set out in 2007 and since then LSFMC have continued for 15 years at those rates until 2022.
The increase is strictly in accordance with the Deed of Covenant (Clause 3a) which is a legal binding document entered into by each home owner when they purchased their property.
It is part of the Legal bundle attached to every property on Little Stanion and not up for discussion.~*
The Clerk has been instructed to write another email to request again for meeting with them.
3. **Grit bin update** The Clerk was instructed from the Council to send another letter. requesting LSFM reimburse the Council for filling the grit bins. LSFM sent this reply which was read out during the email.
~As you are aware some of the roads have been adopted by Highways and some remain under JME Developments. I have conversed with our Technical people and the decision has been reached that as Highways have a Policy of not gritting roads in the development it would be very wrong for some to be gritted and some not. Therefore the position is that JME follows the same position as Highways. With regard to the Deed of Covenant that you attached the roads are only the responsibility of LSFMC during the period after being signed off by Highways and awaiting Adoption legals to be completed. Trust this clarifies our position~
4. **Harpers Brook update** – this topic will be moved to planning. Still awaiting paper work.
5. **Welcome Centre** – this was not meant to be on the agenda.
6. **Election booking** – Reminder the election will be held in the Welcome Centre.
 - **Update on external storage installation and purchase** – Cllr Nash needs more time to look through the different options before bring it before Council.



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- **Fridge** – The Clerk showed the council 3 options. The Council approved that they clerk should purchase a new one and to pay for fridge to be delivered and old one collected at the same time. The budget is £230.

524/23-23 **Clerk Update**
• None

525/23-24 **To confirm any additional business to be included on the agenda of the next meeting.**
Dongle, Councillors email gov.uk email addresses, LSFM 5 versions of the covenant.

526/23-24 **Correspondence received and circulated**
Close of Meeting 9.06pm
All emails that are relevant to the Council have been shared.
Date of next meeting 28th May 2024 at 7.30pm at the Welcome Centre.

Chairman.....

