MINUTES OF THE ORDINARY MEETING OF STAVELEY TOWN COUNCIL

Held on Tuesday, 8th October 2013 Commencing at 6.00 p.m. In The Stables, Staveley Hall

Present: -

Councillor A. Hill – (Chair) Councillor J. Bacon – (Vice-Chair) Councillor E. Tidd – Deputy Leader

Councillor S Bagshaw
Councillor J Barnett
Councillor O Cauldwell
Councillor D Collins
Councillor D. Parsons
Councillor J. Webley

Councillor D. Dyke

In attendance: Graeme Challands - Town Clerk and Financial Officer

Ian Haddock - Assistant Financial Officer

Councillor Bingham – CBC for Barrow Hill and New Whittington Councillor P. Stone – CBC for Barrow Hill and New Whittington

7 Members of the Public 1 Member of the Police

		ACTION
	PART I – NON CONFIDENTIAL INFORMATION	
279/13	APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE Councillor Ludlow – illness Councillor McManus – illness Councillor Williams – family commitments	
280/13	COUNCILLORS NOT PRESENT There were no Councillors not present.	
281/13	CHAIR'S ANNOUNCEMENTS The Chair invited all present to his Thank You event to follow the meeting. The event was to thank all involved in the Staveley Town Council entry into the 2013 East Midlands In Bloom Competition. It was due to the hard work not only of Staveley Town Council but of all our partners that Staveley had won a Silver Award.	

282/13 VARIATION OF ORDER OF BUSINESS

With the agreement of Members the Chair brought forward Agenda Item 8(b) to enable Sgt. McInulty to leave as early as possible.

283/13 TO DETERMINE WHICH ITEMS IF ANY FROM PART 1 OF THE AGENDA SHOULD BE TAKEN WITH THE PUBLIC EXCLUDED

There were no proposals to exclude the public from any item in Part 1 of the Agenda.

284/13 DECLARATION OF MEMBERS' INTERESTS

- a) There were no Declaration of Members' Interests.
- b) No requests for dispensations were received.

285/13 | PRESENTATIONS

There were no presentations.

PUBLIC SPEAKING

Before Sgt. McInulty was invited to address the Meeting the Chair asked the Town Clerk to invite a representative from the Staveley Community Fire Station to attend the next Ordinary Meeting or the one after.

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Sgt. McInulty gave his report on recent statistics for crimes in the different wards of the Staveley Town Council area.

These were continuing to remain at a low level and arrests had been made regarding vehicle crime and burglaries.

However, his main concern at the moment was a project to protect vulnerable elderly people at ATM's in Staveley. A U shaped line painted on the floor at each machine would give people an area of space; they would be aware if anyone was encroaching on this space. In Morrisons the theft of purses often was followed by thieves using cards. An elderly gentleman had had both his cash and card stolen whilst using an ATM outside Morrisons, and the card had later been used by the thief.

Today a lady had been stood at one of the ATMs to get a statement and £100 cash and someone had stolen the cash.

To address the problem he was proposing the lines and had got Derbyshire County Council to obtain tenders. The cheapest price was £405.50. He was able to raise half of that but requested a contribution of £203.25 from Staveley Town Council.

The Town Clerk had previously circulated details, including that Staveley Town Council had an obligation to consider the impact of their decisions on reducing crime and disorder in our area plus the power to spend money on crime prevention measures (Local Government and Rating Act 1997 Section 31).

Councillor L. Collins asked if he had asked Morrisons or the banks to fund this.

Sgt. McInulty said the banks had declined as it was not their land but they were happy for it to happen. Morrisons had not agreed to talk to them.

Councillor L. Collins proposed writing to the banks and Morrisons.

Councillor Elliott turned back to Sgt. McInulty's report and said his figures for Anti-Social Behaviour in Inkersall were not correct.

People were telling her different and she had seen it for herself at the Surgery and Shops.

Every night of the week people were being bothered by other people's children.

She told Sat. McInulty that if he could not help she would go further up.

Sgt. McInulty said the Beat Officer had been absent but on his return he had been up there and spoken to some 30 kids of whom 15 were doing a chip shop survey. The Beat Officer had now gone to a murder scene (not in Staveley). There was only himself available and today he had obviously been dealing with the crime at Morrisons. However, Inkersall was on the Patrol Strategy.

The main issue of the Surgery was the lack of a fence which had not been a Planning Condition.

Councillor Elliott said she would see Paul Staniforth (CBC Planning) and find out if a fence could be enforced.

Sgt. McInulty responded that this would resolve the problem for the two houses currently affected.

Councillor Elliott said there was still a problem with youths at the shops swearing and behaving in an anti-social manner later at night.

Councillor Dyke thanked the Police for the work done at Morrison's

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regarding purse thefts.

It was agreed that the best way forward was for the Police to submit a Section 137 application. Councillor Parsons confirmed he would welcome this and was happy to support the project.

Councillor Bagshaw reported an incident of her being approached to pay someone to stop funny phone calls, with the intention of obtaining bank account details off vulnerable people. She wanted people to be aware of this scam.

Councillor Cauldwell reported he had lost money at the ATMs at Morrisons – they were not serviced by the banks named on the machines.

The Chair then invited the public to speak.

Councillor Stone said he was aware of the scam raised by Councillor Bagshaw.

The Chair thanked Sgt. McInulty and opened

8(a) Public Sessions

Joe Roberts thanked John Morehen and the Town Clerk for their help. He reported that Staveley would start its Poppy Appeal soon – it would launch on 19th October with a concert at the Crooked Spire, featuring Ireland Colliery Band, Calow School Choir and Mike Spriggs Choir. All ticket money went to the Staveley Poppy Appeal so he urged all to attend.

Councillor Dyke reported that the Legionnaires Club was holding a Psychic Evening for £5 per head in aid of the Poppy Appeal. Local businesses had donated prizes.

John Morehen updated the meeting on the activities of Staveley Seniors Forum including the Footcare Clinic plus the Lottery Funded Project at the Healthy Living Centre. Both were doing well, but cash support for the Project at the Healthy Living Centre would run out at the end of the month.

Councillor P. Stone asked all present if they knew about local referrals to Food Banks. Were the Job Centre and staff doing this?

Councillor Tidd responded that whilst she did not know if it was signposting or referrals, Job Centre Plus were telling people.

Councillor Stone said he had been at the Chesterfield Borough Council reception for their In Bloom entry at Ringwood Hall Hotel and had mentioned Staveley Town Council's success. He wondered how much Ringwood Hall Hotel had contributed to Staveley's entry.

The Chair and Town Clerk reported it was difficult to quantify but that the gardens at Ringwood Hall Hotel were well worth visiting.

Councillor Dyke proposed and the meeting **RESOLVED** – That Staveley Town Council write to Derbyshire Fire and Rescue Service vigorously objecting to the proposed closure of Staveley Community Fire Station. This new facility was a vital part of our community serving a large surrounding area including the M1 and hosting the cadets.

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286/13 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES OF THE ORDINARY MEETING OF STAVELEY TOWN COUNCIL HELD ON TUESDAY 17th SEPTEMBER 2013

It was **RESOLVED** that the Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of Staveley Town Council held on Tuesday 17th September 2013 be approved as a true record.

287/13 MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES OF THE ORDINARY MEETING OF STAVELEY TOWN COUNCIL HELD ON TUESDAY 17th SEPTEMBER 2013

Part 1 186/13 Apologies

Councillor Dyke asked why apologies had been recorded from Councillor Bingham.

He was informed that both Chesterfield Borough Council and Derbyshire County Council Councillors whose wards covered Staveley Town Council area were invited to Staveley Town Council meetings.

Councillor Lang stated she had never been invited whilst just a Chesterfield Borough Council Councillor.

The Town Clerk said this was convention and whilst it may have not been adhered to on all occasions that had been addressed and all relevant Councillors were invited.

Councillor Parsons agreed that this had historically been the case – they were invited to all Staveley Town Council meetings to listen.

Councillor Dyke asked for a copy of the paperwork regarding this.

The Town Clerk agreed to provide this.

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Councillor Dyke stated it was a Staveley Town Council meeting not a Chesterfield Borough Council or Derbyshire County Council meeting. If

Councillors from those bodies came they should come as Members of the Public and not put in their apologies.

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The Town Clerk reported that the Planning Application for the wind turbine had been downloaded and copies were available in Staveley Hall as requested.

288/13 TO CONSIDER RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE LEISURE AND COMMUNITY COMMITTEE OF STAVELEY TOWN COUNCIL HELD ON WEDNESDAY 18TH SEPTEMBER 2013

It was **RESOLVED** that these be approved.

289/13 MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES OF THE LEISURE AND COMMUNITY COMMITTEE OF STAVELEY TOWN COUNCIL HELD ON WEDNESDAY 18th SEPTEMBER 2013

There were no matters arising.

290/13 TO CONSIDER RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE POLICY, FINANCE AND PUBLICITY COMMITTEE OF STAVELEY TOWN COUNCIL HELD ON WEDNESDAY 18th SEPTEMBER 2013

It was **RESOLVED** that these be approved.

291/13 MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES OF THE POLICY, FINANCE AND PUBLICITY COMMITTEE OF STAVELEY TOWN COUNCIL HELD ON WEDNESDAY 18TH SEPTEMBER 2013

249/13 - Section 137 Committee Terms of Reference

RESOLVED – That Councillor Cauldwell be elected to serve on the Section 137 Committee for the remainder of the Year 2013/2014, filling the vacant position.

292/13 TO CONSIDER THE RESOLUTIONS OF THE PLANNING AND ENVIRONMENTAL COMMITTEE OF STAVELEY TOWN COUNCIL HELD ON WEDNESDAY 25th SEPTEMBER 2013

The Minutes of the Planning and Environmental Committee held on Wednesday 25th September were **RECEIVED.**

293/13 MATTERS ARRIVING 151/13 Part 1 Public Business

Councillor P. Hill reported that at the Ordinary Meeting she had commented on the Planning Application CHE/13/00420 in support of

Councillor Parson's position.

Councillor Parsons repeated his concerns – the proposed site for the turbine was wrong as it was in the flight path of birds. It should be moved.

Councillor Elliott stated that she was on the Chesterfield Borough Council Planning Committee but wished to declare an interest – she was totally opposed to the Application.

The Chair advised her she should not be stating her position at this meeting but at Chesterfield Borough Council.

Councillor Dyke raised the issue of a meeting requested by HS2. The Town Clerk responded that HS2 had requested a meeting regarding the method proposed to consult over the Project. However, the HS2 employee did not apparently work in the evening whereas this was the most suitable time for both Councillors and residents of Hartington. He was awaiting a response from HS2 and would advise the appropriate Members in due course.

294/13 MINUTES OF THE HEART OF STAVELEY PROJECT BOARD HELD ON TUESDAY 20TH AUGUST 2013

The Minutes of the Heart of Staveley Project Board were RECEIVED.

295/13 MINUTES OF WORLD WAR ONE COMMEMORATION WORKING PARTY HELD ON 23RD SEPTEMBER 2013

The Minutes of the World War One Commemoration Working Party were **RECEIVED.**

Councillor Dyke reported on an offer from a resident of Mastin Moor.

Councillor Parsons as Chair of the World War One Commemoration Working Party welcomed any such offers.

296/13 26 HIGH STREET STAVELEY

The Town Clerk reported on progress in obtaining a condition survey from a qualified surveyor.

297/13 HEART OF STAVELEY PROJECT

RESOLVED – That the Chair of Staveley Town Council be authorised to sign the Pre-Construction Agreement for Contract 2 on behalf of Staveley Town Council.

298/13 TOWN CLERK'S REPORT

The Town Clerk spoke to his Report distributed prior to the meeting.

Since the last Ordinary Meeting I have attended the Leisure and Community Committee and Policy, Finance and Publicity Committee on 18th September.

On the 23rd we welcomed partners for the first meeting of the World War One Commemoration Event Working Party.

I attended the Planning and Environmental Committee on 25th, the date when Contractors attended the Pre Start Meeting.

The Heart of Staveley Project Design and Technical Scrutiny Panel meets on Monday 7th October. Ian Haddock and I meet with Lynda Sharp, Chesterfield Borough Council Economic Development Officer on the 8th.

I will be meeting with an engineer from a company offering free biomass boilers on the 9th and on the 10th there are a series of HOSP meetings.

The Stables will be closed and building work starting the week commencing 14th October.

I will be attending the Leisure and Community and Policy, Finance and Publicity Committees on the 16th before attending the SLCC Conference on 17th and 18th.

There will be the next meeting of the World War One Committee Working Party on the 23rd, prior to the Planning and Environmental Committee.

There will be a meeting of all our Allotment Societies on 25th October to map out a strategy for the future.

The Staveley Town Council Community Bonfire and Firework Display is on 2nd November and the Remembrance Day Parade on 10th November.

In addition I have been working on:

- Improvements to the Speedwell Rooms
- Improvements to the Market
- The Victorian Christmas Fayre and Switch On
- HS2

- 26 High Street
- DALC Training
- Legal follow up to Frecheville Street
- Ingeus Apprentice Scheme
- Doorsteppa Magazine

He reported that the talks with Chesterfield Borough Council Economic Development Officer Lynda Sharp had been productive and expanded on the additional meetings involving the biomass boiler, the Speedwell Rooms, Market Improvements, DALC Training and possible Ingeus Apprentice Scheme.

The Frecheville Street housing project was progressing well and a press release would be needed in due course.

Guinness Northern Counties Housing Association were interested in continuing their partnership with Staveley Town Council and were asking if there were any other projects we would like to progress with them. He would report on this opportunity in more detail in due course.

299/13 | ACCOUNTS

(a) The schedule of accounts paid since the last meeting was **RECEIVED**.

(b) Statement of Income and Expenditure

The Chair of Staveley Town Council stated that Cost Centre 4602 Canal Partnership was incorrect. He said it had been changed to Alternative Activity at the time of setting the 2013/2014 Budget. This meant that there was in fact no money in the Budget available for the Canal Partnership. This £1000 was meant for use to help the children of Staveley.

He asked Ian Haddock to amend accordingly.

He requested that the letter Item 21(d)(i) be placed on the Policy, Finance and Publicity Committee Agenda.

(c) Section 137 - Appeals for Financial Assistance.

A list of Recommendations from the Section 137 Committee had been distributed to Members.

Councillor Parsons, Chair of the Section 137 Committee spoke to the individual Recommendations, emphasising the benefits to the young

people of Staveley – a major good for Staveley Town Council.

It was **AGREED** to discuss Items 21(c)(iii) and (iv).

Councillors D. Collins, A. Hill and Tidd left the room for items 21(c)(iii) and (iv) having Declared an Interest.

Councillor Bacon resumed the Chair.

21(c)(iii) Duckmanton Community Football Club RESOLVED – That a grant of £200 be awarded.

21(c)(iv) Duckmanton Miners Welfare Charity RESOLVED – That a grant of £200 be awarded.

After this item Councillors D. Collins, A. Hill and Tidd rejoined the Meeting and Councillor A. Hill resumed the Chair.

21(c)(i) Community Transformation Charity

RESOLVED - That a grant of £200 be awarded.

21(c)(ii) Double Top Football Club

RESOLVED – That a grant of £200 be awarded subject to the receipt and study by either the Section 137 Committee or Policy, Finance and Publicity Committee of audited accounts.

21(c)(v) Lowgates Sports Football Club

RESOLVED - That a grant of £200 be awarded.

21(c)(vi) Markham Gardens Association

RESOLVED – That the application for £200 from Markham Gardens Association be **REFUSED** as the proposal was felt not to result in an improvement to the environment of the area.

That Chesterfield Borough Council as the landowner should arrange for this proposal.

That the application be passed for consideration by the Policy, Finance and Publicity Committee to decide if the area of land in question could be maintained by Staveley Town Council by planting flowers as part of the efforts towards East Midlands In Bloom.

21(c)(vii) Staveley Hall Bowls club

This application was welcomed in particular because the club Members wear the Staveley Town Council logo helping promote the Council in the area.

Councillor Parsons suggested this may be an idea to promote to local football teams also

RESOLVED – That a grant of £200 be awarded.

21(c)(iii) Hollingwood Residents Association

RESOLVED – That a grant of £200 be awarded.

Members paid tribute to this group and its activities and involvement with young people.

- (d) Other financial matters.
- (i) Chesterfield Canal Partnership

This item it was **RESOLVED** earlier in the meeting was to be placed on the Policy Finance and Publicity Committee Agenda.

300/13 WARD REPORTS BY COUNCILLORS

a) By Councillors

None

b) Generally

The Chair stated he would arrange a meeting with Rectory Road Surgery.

301/13 | ALLOTMENTS

The Town Clerk reported a meeting of all the Allotment Societies had been arranged for Friday 25th October.

302/13 | ITEMS FOR ACTION

Nothing to report.

303/13 | CHESTERFIELD BOROUGH COUNCIL

Nothing to report

304/13 | SEALING OF DOCUMENTS

RESOLVED – That the Common Seal of the Council be affixed to any documents or agreements necessary to carry into effect any resolution or decisions passed by or confirmed at

this meeting.

a) **RESOLVED** – That the Chair and Councillor Ludlow sign Contract 1 of

the Heart of Staveley Project and that the seal of Staveley Town Council is duly affixed to the document.

	PART II – CONFIDENTIAL BUSINESS			
305/13	PUBLIC BODIES (ADMISSION TO MEETINGS ACT), 1960			
	to the of the the p	in view of the fact that publicity would be prejudicial e public interest by reason of the confidential nature of following matters, the public and representatives of ress excluded from this meeting during the assion thereof.		
306/13	ESTABLISHMENT Nothing to report.			
307/13	HEART OF STAVELEY PROJECT Nothing to report.			