



Stanstead Abbots Parish Council

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Minutes of the Maintenance and Traffic Committee meeting held at 12.00 NOON 15th October 2021 at the Village Playground

Committee Members present Cllr John Hickford, Cllr George Cassidy, Cllr Mike Dormon.

Others Present: Sarah Neighbour - Clerk
Robert Kiff – Handyman for Playground

32/21 PUBLIC FORUM

There was one member of the public present.

33/21 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Cllr Paul Breach, Cllr Julia Davies, Gini Trower

34/21 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

No declarations of interest were made.

35/21 APPROVE MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

The minutes of the meeting on 17th September 2021 were approved and signed by the Chairman.

**Cllrs are reminded that minutes circulated are taken as read at the next meeting.
If they have any comments, they should contact the Clerk prior to the meeting.**

36/21 PLAYGROUND

1. The Handyman presented his playground report for September, repairs need to be made to the wooden gate and fencing that surrounds the playground as the wood has rotted in places.
2. The replacement for the vandalised play equipment was discussed and it was agreed that a springer should replace the spinning cup item to prevent further vandalism.
3. The clerk received a quote of £120 for a new basketball net from KOMPLAN who supplied the original equipment, after discussion it was agreed that a cheaper alternative should be found.
4. Repairs to the wet pour in the playground need to be made, a quote has been received for £5.800, the clerk will find 2 further quotes.

37/21 MEADOW

It was agreed that the Parish Council would need to pay someone to cut the grass in the Meadow on a regular basis through the summer months. Cllr Hickford will investigate this.



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38/21 CCTV

An overgrown tree on the entrance to the playground is still blocking the view of one of the CCTV cameras, EHDC have been informed and we are waiting on a tree survey to take place.

39/21 RUBBISH BIN

The clerk has requested two new bins from East Herts DC and will take photos of locations for the new bins after today's meeting and send to Cllr Joseph Dumont.

40/21 HIGH STREET

1. A few members of the Committee, the Clerk and another volunteer painted the red phone box on the High Street on Sunday 3rd October, many members of the community expressed their thanks in person and on Facebook.
2. The Clerk will organise and promote a volunteer High Street Tidy up event on Sunday 31st October to clear the weeds and litter pick in the High Street. Cllr Dormon has applied for a grant which may cover the cost of painting the bollards in the High Street, if successful the clerk will contact Ringway about carrying out the works.

41/21 LITTER AND FLY-TIPPING

It was agreed that incidents of fly-tipping have reduced recently which may be due to the introduction of CCTV in the village. The committee is hopeful that the new bins in the playground and meadow will improve the amount of litter.

42/21 SPEEDING IN THE VILLAGE

The Chairman congratulated Cllr Cassidy on securing grant for a Speed Indicator Device for the village.

43/21 DEFIBRILLATOR

The Clerk reported that Cllr Howlett continues to carry out the weekly checks.

44/21 CHRISTMAS LIGHTS

The clerk will contact Lamps and Tubes for a quote for 2022.

Chairman.....

Date.....