STAINLAND & DISTRICT PARISH COUNCIL

Stainland
Holywell Green
Sowood
Jagger Green
Old Lindley
Outlane in Calderdale

Dated: 24th September 2026

MINUTES OF STAINLAND AND DISTRICT PARISH COUNCIL

Full Council Meeting (94th): Thursday 24th September 2026 at 6.30pm

Minutes taken by : Cllr Mark Mullany

Signed: M. Mullany

Councillors in attendance – Cllr Lisa Fieldhouse**,** Cllr Mark Mullany, Cllr Fiona Moir,

Also in attendance: N/A

Council Membership	
Cllr Lisa Fieldhouse [Chair for the Council)	Cllr Fiona Moir
Cllr Mark Mullany [Vice-Chair]	Cllr Amanda Ogilvie
Cllr Laura Peckover	X1 Vacancy
Cllr Ruth Redfern	X1 Vacancy
Cllr Don Stewart	

2627 80FC	**Chair's Opening Remarks** LF Thanked everyone for attending. The meeting was quorate.
2627 81FC	**Apologies** Apologies had been received from Cllr Ogilvie, Cllr Redfern, Cllr Stewart and the Clerk Caroline Booth . Cllr Peckover was not present and apologies had not been received.
2627 82FC	**Declaration of Disclosable Pecuniary and Other Interests** LF - Shaw Park items due to membership of the friends of Shaw Park**.**
2627 83FC	**Public Participation** No members of the public were present.

2627 84FC	**Council Minutes and Actions** Resolved: to approve the draft minutes of the Full Council meeting held on 27th August 2026 as a true record of proceedings. Minutes were approved for publishing by the chair. Action CB to amend and upload to the website (done). Outstanding actions on tracker were reviewed. It was noted that all actions were on track.
2627 85FC	**Drury Lane Allotments** No member of DLAA in attendance.
2627 86FC	**Correspondence** • Drury Lane parking – correspondence noted, for decision in October • Community Rights of Way Service (CROWS) – Agreed to make a Facebook post asking people to let us know of any footpath issues they are aware of. MM available to assist CROWS if they have any projects to pursue in Ryburn area of parish. Action CB to do a Facebook post around footpath issues. • Community Engagement dates – further possible dates for this training event have been circulated • Moor Hey Lane, Sowood – MM had spoken to correspondent regarding stable development and had visited site on Moor Hey Lane. Residents had initiated enforcement action which was ongoing with CMBC. MM had offered further support from PC if required.
2627 87FC	**To consider any grant enquiries or applications received** None
2627 88FC	**Planning Matters** No current planning applications this month.
2627 89FC	**Financial Matters** a) Received and approved the bank reconciliation reports for August 2026 b) Received and approved the August 2026 cashbook payments made under the Clerks delegated authority and as tabled or presented at the meeting that require signing in accordance with the Financial Regulations (enclosed). Note the list of payments will be published with the minutes. c) Grant funding update - Pond - paused pending outcome of Cross application. d) Grant funding update - Cross - submitted 11/9. There is 8 week determination period. Action LF to check that RJB are aware of landscape architect Simon Watkins' specification for the project. e) Grit order £400 - A purchase order has been raised for filling of grit boxes.

2627 90FC	**Clerks Items** • Local Council award scheme – thanks and congratulations expressed to clerk for work in achieving bronze award for the PC. • Vacancies and co-option – 2 vacancies remain. • McAffee Refund – Carried Forward. • November Community Groups meeting – it was noted that some groups may have been invited in error from outside the parish e.g. Heath Rugby club, West Vale (a representative of which attended, unaware that the meeting had been postponed).
2627 91FC	**Updates on Projects and Members Items for Consideration** 06.07.26 - 539 Bus service - Response to PC's letter to West Yorkshire Mayor noted. Response to our follow up letter awaited. MM stated that Mayor Tracy Brabin was holding a Question Time on bus issues on 22nd October (free, bookable event). Action MM to circulate details of Mayors bus session. Agreed to explore alternatives including Access Bus (FM) and Parish Council funded minibus services eg Holme Valley Parish Council (MM) Conservation Area Appraisal MM - MM Reported that a call had been held with consultants ELG and Calderdale Conservation Officer. An agreement had been reached regarding the CA boundary and a final draft for consultation will be issued in October, following which CMBC would organise public consultation on the document with a view to getting the document adopted by CMBC Cabinet early in 2027. It was agreed to support the CMBC consultation process as required including distributing publicity locally and attendance at consultation event. CMBC would also be writing to all six ward councillors (Greetland and Ryburn) shortly to let them know about the consultation. This was supported. Safer Routes to School Scheme at Bowling Green – Action FM to circulate details of recent Facebook update from Ryburn ward Councillor Leah Webster. Relocation of Bus stops and 539 Bus – No further update Guerrila gardening and planters – LF reported that RR had found a volunteer to look after planters at Stainland Rec and by Chemist? Pond renovation Shaw Park LF – Results of analysis of pond sludge by Ebsford showed it classed as non-hazardous. However, it was agreed to make CMBC aware of analysis findings to make sure they are happy with it. The pond was found to have approx 600ton/ 400m3 of silt the worst affected areas have silt up to 90cm deep. Contractors price to remove all the silt £50-£60k which would require grant funding. An application for lottery funding was submitted but paused due to the current application for the Cross which will take 8 weeks to be processed. No other sources of funding have been identified. There is a limited window in which to do the work this winter so a decision on how to proceed is need relatively quickly. Options are to wait and apply for lottery funding for full desilt including FoSP additional items but with no guarantee of success or consider a part desilt based on the contractor's weekly rate of £25-30K which might be achievable by increasing the current budget of £20k from PC reserves. This approach would prioritise silt removal from the worst affected areas and achieve removal of at least half the total volume

	of silt. The contractor has explained that after the worst areas are cleared it becomes increasing difficult and time consuming to remove remaining amounts of silt. Contractor to provide a quote for an eDNA survey. A water's edge habitat survey may also be required. For review/decision at next meeting. Repairs to phone box LF – restoration in progress. Heritage signage for Stainland Conservation Area LF – update on quotes Drury Lane Parking on Council Land – Scheduled for discussion on October Agenda - Parking – proposed to hold a meeting with DF and RR present and all relevant parties before next PC meeting. Wool stoops / Stainland Stones from South Parade – No further response but LF listed possible locations for re-siting once acquired • The Hame • Bowling Green • Mechanics • Stocks • Memorial Park (corner garden) • Orchard • Pharmacy • The Cross Stocks site, Town Ing Way considered most appropriate. LF to get view from our wool stoop expert on how they should be displayed together. Bus stop painting LF – repainting complete. Request for additional goal back at Shaw park - Request (informal from local children) for additional goal back in Shaw Park. – LF to get quote Update on insurance – Community plot to be completed before renewal Blossom trees at the top of town Ing way (by the village stocks) – Action LF to put scheme together to include existing stocks, new trees and potentially, wool stoops.
2627 92FC	**Receive feedback from any training or meetings or events attended by councillors** FM agreed to be representative at Calderdale's Parish Council Liaison Group.
2627 93FC	**Items for Discussion at a Future Meeting** To agree any additional agenda items for consideration and inclusion at a future meeting: None
2627 94FC	**Matters subject to exclusion of press and public**

	None.
2627 95FC	**Date of the Next Meeting** To note the date of the next meeting scheduled for Thursday 29th October 2026 at 6.30pm at St Andrew's Church.

Receipts August:

None

Payments August exc salaries:

10/08/2026	Finwood IT Limited	BACS	52.63	8.77	4140	210	43.86	Office 365 / Emails
10/08/2026	St Andrews Parish Church	BACS	600.00		4700	210	600.00	Room Hire
13/08/2026	Ebsford Environmental Ltd	BACS	1,884.00	314.00	4410	300	1,570.00	Shaw Park Pond Survey
18/08/2026	Lloyds bank	SO	4.25		4710	400	4.25	Service Charges
19/08/2026	West Yorkshire Pension Fund	BACS	185.80		4030	200	185.80	Pension