

## Stapeley Parish Action Group

Minutes of the meeting held Monday 4<sup>th</sup> November 2013 at Brine Leas School

Present: Val Ingram, David Ingram, Bob Walker, Noel Wagstaff, Sue Sherwood, Rob Morton, John Davenport, Angus Graham, Jane Thomasson

VI welcomed everyone to the meeting.

1. Apologies for Absence – none
2. Minutes – the minutes of the last meeting were read and accepted.
3. Chair's Comments and Updates –
  - VAI had attended a meeting of the County Playing Fields Association – Cheshire Branch. She suggested that the PC might wish to join and if not then perhaps SPAG could.
  - The PC newsletter had been published with the full SPAG update.
  - Rachel Bolton – VAI, SS and NW were meeting RB 5<sup>th</sup> November to walk round the estate.
4. Matters Arising – none
5. Correspondence –
  - CVS emails (forwarded to members)
  - C Jones email - regarding playground equipment.
6. Financial Matters –
  - The insurance for the playground is in place for the next 12 months.
  - RM produced a breakdown / overview of the accounts.
  - The accounts are complete and only now need a report from the Chair.
  - **RM has the Indemnity Form and will circulate to members.**
7. Reports from Working Groups –
  - Playground – Section 106 funding – quotes for the new equipment are being sought and this could go ahead as early as January 2014.

Environment – SS had met with 2 other Tree Wardens. She has completed a survey of the orchard; she has measured and photographed the trees and has collected fruit to be identified. She is looking to find further information as the trees have been previously tagged. She is holding a further meeting on 5<sup>th</sup> November. The Cheshire Landscape Trust will cease to exist in March 2014 and this will jeopardise the future of the Tree Warden Scheme.

Traffic – no report but concern about the amount of traffic and the recent diversion systems was expressed by the group.

8. Litter –
  - The litter pick on the 2<sup>nd</sup> November was successful and it is hoped to arrange one more before Christmas. NW reported that less and less litter was found and this could be because more members of the group were doing their own individual picks.
  - Pumping Station and compound – there was still no official reply but NW is to meet engineers on 11<sup>th</sup> November and it is likely that the change of ownership will be brought forward.
  - Rats – NW reported that details from the Environmental Health and Litter Acts imply that there is nothing that can be done officially to influence the shop owners to do anything about clearing up their litter.
  - NW and the litter group are taking over the coordination of litter at the Nantwich Food Festival 2014 (5<sup>th</sup>.6<sup>th</sup> and 7<sup>th</sup> September 2014). They will need some help and will remind the group nearer the time.

9. The meeting was informed that the Muller Group has submitted two new applications to CE Council. (one for an access road and a second for 189 houses as a first phase). These are very similar to the present applications presently under appeal. SS reminded the group that environmental issues were important and that any comment or objections had to be with CE Council by 20<sup>th</sup> November which left very little time. JD told the meeting that the PC was to discuss the applications at their next meeting (7<sup>th</sup> November ) and suggested that SPAG wait until this had taken place before taking any further action.

10. Future Plans –

- Defibrillators – VAI has been gathering information as to location and prices of defibrillators in the area. They can be bought for about £650. She asked JD to check with the PC for their ideas or comments and asked if they had any defibrillators already and if so where were they located. **JD will bring this up at the meeting and report back to SPAG.** There was a brief discussion about possible locations for any defibrillator in the locality.
- PR and Publicity – AG agreed to work on a strategy to publicise SPAG and their work and how to expand it. VAI suggested that he looked at all the historical info from SPAG and **agreed to send it to him.** There was a discussion about using Facebook and the like and possibly some sort of amalgamation of the present Facebook page used by the playground group.
- Low Carbon Communities – it was agreed that more information was needed.
- Homewatch – NW reported that M Bale does not want to be involved further. He will contact RL for details of present situation and will attempt to find out more about the present coverage by contacting the police.

11. Parish Council Update –

- Green Space – the contractor had been selected because of his specialist knowledge. However there is no visible plan so, he will raise this again with a view to having a plan put in place.
- CJ is trying to get a scale plan of the parish.

13. A.O.B –

- SS had visited the sales office for the Stapeley Gardens development and picked up a copy of the advertising brochure. It is riddled with inaccuracies.
- NW reported that Nantwich Town Council is under financial pressure and that there were possible implications for Stapeley which could be incorporated into the Nantwich Town Council remit.

14 Agenda Items for the next meeting – none

Date of next meeting – 16<sup>th</sup> December 2013. As this was the last meeting before Christmas, it was decided to hold it in the Cronkinson Farm Pub. **RW will inform BLS that we will not need the room on that date.**

The meeting closed at 8.40 pm