MINUTES OF THE ORDINARY MEETING OF STAVELEY TOWN COUNCIL

Held on Tuesday, 10th December 2013 Commencing at 6.00 p.m. In The Council Chamber, Staveley Hall

Present: -

Councillor A. Hill – (Chair) Councillor J. Bacon – (Vice-Chair)

Councillor J Barnett
Councillor O Cauldwell
Councillor D Collins
Councillor B. Dyke
Councillor H. Elliott
Councillor P. Hill
Councillor C. Ludlow
Councillor J. McManus
Councillor D. Parsons
Councillor J. Webley

In attendance: Ian Haddock - Assistant Financial Officer

7 Members of the Public 1 Member of the Police

		ACTION
	Before the meeting commenced all present observed a minute's silence for Nelson Mandela PART I – NON CONFIDENTIAL INFORMATION	
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365/13	APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE Councillor S. Bagshaw – family commitments Councillor L. Collins – work commitments Councillor V. Lang – work commitments Councillor E. Tidd – illness Councillor J. Williams - illness	
366/13	COUNCILLORS NOT PRESENT	
	Chesterfield Borough Council Members for Whittington and Barrow Hill.	
367/13	CHAIR'S ANNOUNCEMENTS The Chair thanked all who had helped organise the Victorian Christmas Market and lantern parade, the event had been very well attended and was enjoyed by all who visited.	
	The Chair offered the Council's Best Wishes to the Town Clerk and	

wished him a speedy recovery.

368/13 VARIATION OF ORDER OF BUSINESS

There was no variation of the order of business.

36913 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.

370/13 DECLARATION OF MEMBERS' INTERESTS

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

371/13 PRESENTATIONS

Non of the prize winners were in attendance.

372/13 PUBLIC SPEAKING

b) Community Safety (Police, Fire, Ambulance and Community Safety Partnership)

Police Constable Martin Rothwell on behalf of Sergeant McInulty gave a report on the latest crime statistics for the Staveley Area.

The outlook was very positive with a 50% reduction on November 2012 in recorded crimes. During November there had been a total of 13 crimes recorded in the Staveley area, including three involving violence and two of non drug related shoplifting. There had been 12 recorded incidents of anti social behaviour.

Councillor Elliott thanked the police for resolving the problems around Inkersall Surgery. Councillor McManus expressed concern that people who had resorted to stealing as a result of losing benefits were not criminalised. The police assured him this was not the case, and they endeavoured to work with statutory agencies in such cases.

a). Public Sessions

Marion Gerrard asked if the capital sum which had been earmarked for Friends of King George's Park was available. Ian Haddock would look into the matter.

John Morehen reported that a tree had now been planted in the peace

garden as a memorial to the late Peter Stearn.

He also reported that Staveley Seniors had held a Christmas lunch at Ringwood Hall and finally enquired as to the whereabouts of the Pools Brook Country Park Christmas light. Ian Haddock reported that it was defective and the specified lamp post had not been tested. He would contact the contractors and see if it could be repaired, and write back.

373/13 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES OF THE ORDINARY MEETING OF STAVELEY TOWN COUNCIL HELD ON TUESDAY 8TH OCTOBER 2013

It was **RESOLVED** that the Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of Staveley Town Council held on Tuesday 8th October 2013 be approved as a true record.

374/13 MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES OF THE ORDINARY MEETING OF STAVELEY TOWN COUNCIL HELD ON TUESDAY 8th OCTOBER 2013

The Minutes should read Councillor B. Dyke and not D. Dyke.

Councillor D. Stone did not in fact attend the meeting.

299/13(d) Councillor Parsons passed on the thanks of Duckmanton Community Football Club and Duckmanton Miners Welfare for the award of the Section 137 grants.

375/13 CONFIRMATION OF THE MINUTES OF THE EXTRA-ORDINARY MEETING OF STAVELEY TOWN COUNCIL HELD ON WEDNESDAY 20TH NOVEMBER 2013

It was **RESOLVED** that the Minutes of the Extra Ordinary meeting of Staveley Town Council held on Wednesday 20th November be approved as a true record.

376/13 MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES OF THE EXTRA-ORDINARY MEETING OF STAVELEY TOWN COUNCIL HELD ON WEDNESDAY 20TH NOVEMBER 2013.

There were no matters arising.

TO CONSIDER AND, IF THOUGHT FIT APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE SECTION 137 COMMITTEE OF STAVELEY TOWN COUNCIL HELD ON WEDNESDAY 2ND OCTOBER 2013.

It was RESOLVED that the Minutes of the Section 137 Committee of

	Staveley Town Council held on Wednesday 2 nd October 2013 be approved as a true record.	
378/13	MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES OF THE SECTION 137 COMMITTEE OF STAVELEY TOWN COUNCIL HELD ON WEDNESDAY 2 ND OCTOBER 2013. There were no matters arising.	
379/13	TO CONSIDER RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE LEISURE AND COMMUNITY COMMITTEE OF STAVELEY TOWN COUNCIL HELD ON WEDNESDAY 24 th OCTOBER 2013 It was RESOLVED that these be approved.	
380/13	TO CONSIDER MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES OF THE LEISURE AND COMMUNITY COMMITTEE OF STAVELEY TOWN COUNCIL HELD ON WEDNESDAY 24 th OCTOBER 2013 318/13 Councillor Dyke reported that the poppy appeal this year had broken last year's record and had raised over £15,000 to date.	
381/13	TO CONSIDER RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE POLICY, FINANCE AND PUBLICITY COMMITTEE OF STAVELEY TOWN COUNCIL HELD ON WEDNESDAY 24 th OCTOBER 2013 It was RESOLVED that these be approved.	
382/13	MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES OF THE POLICY, FINANCE AND PUBLICITY COMMITTEE OF STAVELEY TOWN COUNCIL HELD ON WEDNESDAY 24 TH OCTOBER 2013 There were no matters arising from the Minutes of the Policy, Finance and Publicity Committee of Staveley Town Council held on Wednesday 24 th October, 2013.	
383/13	TO CONSIDER THE RESOLUTIONS OF THE PLANNING AND ENVIRONMENTAL COMMITTEE OF STAVELEY TOWN COUNCIL HELD ON WEDNESDAY 23 rd OCTOBER 2013 The Meeting of the Planning and Environmental Committee held on Wednesday 23 rd October had been cancelled.	
384/13	MINUTES OF THE HEART OF STAVELEY PROJECT BOARD HELD ON TUESDAY 24 th OCTOBER 2013 The Minutes of the Heart of Staveley Project Board held on the 24 th	

October were **RECEIVED**.

385/13 MINUTES OF THE HEART OF STAVELEY PROJECT BOARD HELD ON TUESDAY 26TH NOVEMBER 2013

The Minutes of the Heart of Staveley Project Board held on 26th November were **RECEIVED**.

386/13 26 HIGH STREET STAVELEY

A Condition Survey of the premises by Derbyshire Surveyors was presented to the meeting. Members considered the conclusions and it was

RESOLVED – That a copy be sent to the Letting Agents asking for their comments and recommendations before proceeding any further with the Lease.

387/13 ACCOUNTS

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

(b) Statement of Income and Expenditure

Following the adoption of the revised Standing Orders under Standing Order 19(b) the statements of income and expenditure are to be provided on a quarterly basis only.

(c) Section 137 - Appeals for Financial Assistance.

There had been a meeting of the Section 137 Committee on Wednesday 4th December for which the minutes could not be included in the Agenda. To avoid unnecessary delay in paying the grants (if applicable) the Chair asked the Chair of the Committee Councillor D. Parsons to give a verbal report.

Councillor Parsons stated that the Committee had approved the Grants to Derbyshire Police (MySpace) and Friends of St. Andrews, but the Staveley Armed Forces and Veterans application could not be approved as they had already received a grant in this financial year.

It was **RESOLVED** that the Grants to Derbyshire Police and Friends of St. Andrews be made.

(d) Other financial matters.

It was **RESOLVED** that original bank statements be made available to subsequent Full Council meetings and copies sent to Councillors.

It was **RESOLVED** that a monthly wages and overtime report be

presented to subsequent Full Council Meetings and copies sent to Councillors.

388/13 WARD REPORTS BY COUNCILLORS

a) By Councillors

Councillor Dyke asked that the Post Office be contacted to explain the continued closure of Staveley Post Office. This was now causing considerable difficulty for local residents.

b) Rectory Road Surgery

It was **RESOLVED** To write to the Care Quality Commission about the way the surgery was being run and the difficulty patients were having in obtaining appointments.

389/13 | ALLOTMENTS

lan Haddock updated the meeting on the application to convert land in Duckmanton into an allotment site.

390/13 | ITEMS FOR ACTION

The Derbyshire Fire and Rescue Service response to the Council's comments on the "Fit to Respond" consultation was presented to the meeting.

Members discussed the document and expressed the Council's support for the Fire Brigade's Union Campaign to keep Staveley Fire Station open.

It was **RESOLVED** to offer the Fire Brigade's Union free use of a market stall should they require one for the campaign and to write to the Derbyshire Fire and Rescue Service expressing the Council's concern about the closure of the Fire Station and its associated community facilities.

391/13 | CHESTERFIELD BOROUGH COUNCIL

Councillor Ludlow informed the meeting of the scale of the impending budget cuts facing the Borough Council over the coming years.

392/13 | SEALING OF DOCUMENTS

a) 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.

b) There were no documents requiring registration by the Land Registry

PART II - CONFIDENTIAL BUSINESS

393/13 | PUBLIC BODIES (ADMISSION TO MEETINGS ACT), 1960

RESOLVED – That in view of the fact that publicity would be prejudicial to the public interest by reason of the confidential nature of the following matters, the public and representatives of the press excluded from this meeting during the discussion thereof.

394/13 ESTABLISHMENT

Councillor Parsons gave a verbal report on the subject of the Chair's Allowance for 2014/15 which had been discussed at the Committee meeting on December 4th.

Members discussed the report and

It was **RESOLVED** that the Chair's allowance for 2014/15 be set at the next Policy, Finance and Publicity Committee.