

# Staveley and Copgrove Parish Council

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## Minutes of the Annual Parish Meeting for Staveley and Copgrove held on Tuesday 18th May 2021 at 6.15pm in Staveley and Copgrove Village Hall

The meeting started at 6.15pm.

The Chairperson was Helen North (Chair of Staveley and Copgrove Parish Council 2020-21); 5 Parish Councillors were present and there were 5 members of the public. The minutes were taken by the Parish Council Clerk.

### Minutes

#### 1. Welcome, introduction and housekeeping by the Chair

The meeting was opened by the Chair and Covid safety regulations were reinforced.

#### 2. Report on achievements and actions of the Parish Council during the last year 2020-2021

The Chair reminded everyone that the meetings of the Parish Council are open to the public and all actions taken are recorded in meeting minutes published on the Parish Council website. In addition the monthly Parish newsletter also provides information of projects undertaken.

The following actions were taken on behalf of the community in 2020-21:

The recreation field- this has been maintained and improved including new planting of trees and hedging and mole removal treatment.

The Pinfold- trees were planted and a weed control membrane was put down.

Grass cutting- A new land services company has been appointed and has maintained the grass cutting of the green spaces in Staveley.

Fencing- A new fence has been made for Low Field but will be erected when the weather improves. Volunteers to help with the project are still warmly welcomed. Benches and notice boards- these were refurbished during the year.

The phone box- also refurbished and training on how to use the village defibrillator is currently advertised and open to all.

Road signs- two new signs were erected on Copgrove Road.

Planning- Building Planning applications are considered and responses submitted to reflect local views, in line with the Local Plan for the area. Planning proposals have been altered as a result of Council responses.

#### 3. Contributions/reports from individuals/groups

No reports received.

3.1 The Chair reminded everyone about the following events planned in the Village:

29th May 2021- Plant and Cake Stall

10th July 2021- School fundraising Barbecue

17th July 2021- Garden Party

Staveley Ladies have a trip to Ripon Races organised.

The Chair invited any comments from the floor. The following points were made:

3.2 Car parking at the bungalows is now problematic-

The signage has changed to include 'visitors'. There are 7 households with space for only 6 cars to park. The space for parking is not demarcated. Emergency vehicles have struggled to access a property as a result of haphazard parking. There is no delineation of car parking spaces. Harrogate Borough Council had been advised of the issue but they have given no solutions to the problems to date. The Chair invited the residents to e-mail the Parish Council with details of the concerns raised.

3.3 Traffic nuisance issues, including speeding, were discussed

Traffic passing through the village exceeds 30mph, causes a danger to all residents. Large lorries and delivery vehicles regularly now transit through the village to the Industrial units, both during working hours and out of hours, day and night. Vehicles are regularly disturbing residents at early hours of the morning with noise nuisance.

It was commented that the neighbouring village of Minskip has new VAR warning signs to calm traffic. It was questioned why there were n't traffic calming signs in Staveley. The Chair commented that the issues discussed have all been raised in the past and are continuing to get worse. This has been the subject of a recent newsletter post. Agenda item 9.3 of the Parish Council meeting at 7pm reflects the on-going concerns of residents.

The Chair referred to the link on the Village website and urged anyone with concerns relating to traffic nuisances to register them there.

3.4 Grass cutting-

Problems regarding grass not being cut on verges were discussed. The Chair explained the limitations of current grass cutting powers.

4. Date of next Annual meeting:

**Tuesday 17th May 2022** in the Village Hall.