MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE STANTON ST QUINTIN PARISH COUNCIL HELD ON 30th SEPTEMBER 2026

1. Present: Cllrs A. Andrews (Chairman); S. Parker; T. Parker
R. Whiting

Mrs Carey (Clerk)

2. Apologies: Cllrs G. Horton; R. Starling and H. Greenman

3. Absent: Nil

4. Public Question Time: There were three members of the public present.

Judy Roberts reported on both the SID reports and the School Travel Plan.

5. Chairman's announcements and declaration of interest: Nil

6. Minutes: The Minutes of the Council meeting held on 17th June 2026 were submitted and signed as a true record.

7. Matters Arising:

a. Update on highway issues:

Speed Indicator Device – reports from June, July and August: The reports had been circulated to the Councillors. The meeting was closed to allow Judy Roberts to speak to the Councillors. She felt that the reports showed that the SIDS had been effective in reminding travellers of the speed limit. The SID reports the traffic in both directions, towards the A429 and away from the A429

There had been three closures of the M4 during the three months and this had affected the number of vehicles.

There were some high speeds recorded each month but the overall effect of the SID is positive.

The SID will be turned round to face the other way so that the data can be compared.

It was also agreed to investigate the possibility of putting the other SID in the lower village.

b. LHFIG/Area Board/Parish Forum: Clerk to notify Kirsty Rose that there was no mention of the pedestrian crossing or the School Travel Plan on the note trackers

Judy Roberts reported that a metro count was being carried out at the school and at the speed limit point. The number of pedestrians was being counted. The recommendations will be submitted shortly and hopefully the work will be carried out during this financial year

She also reported that work on the faded road markings will be carried out. Speed signs and Slow markings at both ends of the village together with white lines had been updated.

Thanks were given to Judy and the meeting was reopend.

The Parish Forum was being held tonight. Report any items at the next meeting

c. **Update on Lime Down Solar Park**:
A list of further dates had been circulated to Councillors

d. **State of the road between Wychwood Cottage and the Lodge**: The Clerk had asked Cllr Greenman to take this up again as the rest of the road is maintained by WC. To be discussed further at the next meeting.

e. **Public access to the airfield**: Despite two emails being sent no response had been received. Cllr Andrews offered to progress this with the Barracks

f. **Tree report received from Acer Tree Surgeons**: The work to felling one tree and treatment to the other will be carried out on 16th November at 8.30 am

The local residents will be notified

g. **Public advertising signs left on the A429**: Cllr T. Parker reported that all the signs except one had been removed and confirmed that this was not obstructing visibility

h. **Condition of bus shelter**: Cllr T. Parker stated that this was untidy. He volunteered to repaint this in a green colour

i. **Opening of Interest Account**: This had been opened in August and £20 interest had been received so far

j. **Condition of Play Park**: Cllr Andrews to take this up with the Barracks and report at the next meeting

8. Correspondence received:

a. **WALC Newsletter:** This had been received and circulated

b. **Letter from Wiltshire Council re improvements to bus services and infrastructure usage**: circulated

c. **National Scheme of Delegation of Planning Functions**: Details effective from 31st October circulated. This will change the call in process

9. Planning: To consider any planning applications received, update on planning decisions and enforcement issues

i. **Permissions granted**:

PL/2026/02494	Premises at Lower Stanton St Quintin Application to establish whether the proposed erected of an industrial building would be lawful
PL/2026/04892	Churchill Lodge, Stanton St Quintin Works to trees in Conservation Area
PL/2026/05158	West Wing, Stanton Court
PL/2026/05224	Work to trees in a Conservation Area

ii. **Planning applications considered since the last meeting**

PL/2025/02425 Land NE of Junction 17 of M4
Outline planning permission – Amended plans

The Parish Council's previous strong objections still stand. In the emerging Neighbourhood Plan for Stanton St Quintin the overwhelming consensus was that the land between the village and the motorway be retained as green space.

This is an overlarge development which would obviously generate a huge increase in the volume of traffic and would impact on the area around Junction 17. It is felt that the junction at Scotland Hill onto the A429 would not be able to cope with all these extra vehicles and the smaller roads would be used as rat runs.

The Parish Council strongly feels that development of this nature should be kept to the designated area on the southern side of the M4 motorway

It was also pointed out that most of the developments on the other side of the M4 remain empty

10. Items for discussion:

i. **Grass cutting in St Giles Churchyard**: Letters received from Wiltshire Council to be discussed further at the next meeting. The grass in question has now been cut
ii. **Date for defibrillator training**: To be arranged

11. Accounts for Payment:
The following accounts were submitted and agreed for payment:

Lloyds Bank	-	Services charges	June	4.25
			July	4.25
			August	4.25
			September	4.25

12. Items of report and Agenda items:

i. **Remembrance Day Services**: Cllr T. Parker will lay the wreath at the service on 8th November and Cllr Whiting will lay the wreath at the service on 11th November
ii. A resident reported that the electric pole currently on her land would be relocated onto the grass verge outside her wall
iii. **WiFi in village hall**: The Hall committee will look into this again
iv. **Dates**: 8th November – Wine Tasting
Middle Sunday in December – Carols on the Green
27th June - Fete

13. Date of next meeting: 11th November 2026

Clerk

Meeting closed at 20.00 pm