

# Stone Town Council – Estates Sub-Committee

## Minutes of the meeting held in the Council Chamber at 15 Station Road, Stone, on Tuesday 27 July 2021

**PRESENT:** Councillor Mrs L. Davies in the Chair and  
Councillors: A. Best, M. Hatton, Mrs J. Hood and C. Thornicroft

By Chairman's invitation: Councillors: J. Davies and P. Leason

**ABSENT:** Councillors: I. Fordham, J. Powell and R. Townsend

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**EST22/001**     **Apologies**

Councillors: I. Fordham, J. Powell and R. Townsend

**EST22/002**     **Declarations of Interest and Requests for Dispensations**

None received

**EST22/003**     **Representations from Members of the Public**

None received

**EST22/004**     **Minutes of Previous Meeting**

That the minutes of the Estates Sub-Committee meeting held on the 27 April 2021 (Minute Numbers EST20/041 – EST20/047), be approved as a correct record.

**EST22/005**     **Update on Frank Jordan Centre**

The Chairman invited the Town Clerk to provide the Sub-Committee with an update on the Frank Jordan Centre.

The Town Clerk reported on the progress of works set up by the previous Chairman and confirmed that the only outstanding item was the painting of parking bay lines on the Frank Jordan Centre car park.

The Sub-Committee questioned whether it was advantageous to go ahead with the marking of the car park bays given that people don't necessarily park correctly and the costs of around £750 could be saved.

The Town Clerk advised the Sub-Committee that the original objective for

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marking the parking bays had been to increase the availability of spaces as parking was often haphazard.

The Town Clerk advised the Sub-Committee that the Grounds Maintenance Contractor had drawn up a plan but was concerned about how long the lines would last as the surface material is rough and loose. The Grounds Maintenance Contractor was for this reason attempting to find a suitable material that would provide a reasonable life.

The Sub-Committee expressed concern that the work, for reasons relating to its execution and use of the car park thereafter, might not lead to a successful outcome. The car park is already difficult to negotiate and a topdressing might be first needed.

RECOMMENDED: That the marking of the car parking bays at the Frank Jordan Centre are put on hold at the present time.

**EST22/006     Reports of Working Groups**

**Market Strategy (Market Pricing & Strategy)**

The Chairman advised the Sub-Committee that the Market Strategy Working Group had not met.

**Use of Frank Jordan Centre and Stone Station**

The Chairman advised the Sub-Committee that no meeting of the Community Centres Working Group had taken place.

**The Estates Sub-Committee meeting was adjourned and then reconvened after the Management Sub-Committee meeting had taken place.**

**EST22/007     Exclusion of the Press and Public**

**To resolve, pursuant to the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960, that the Public and Press be excluded from the meeting whilst the next items of business are discussed on the grounds that publicity would be prejudicial to public interest by reason of the confidential nature of the debate.**

RESOLVED: To exclude the Press and Public from the next item of business.

**EST22/008     Update on Stone Station**

The Chairman invited the Town Clerk to update the Sub-Committee on the current position on Stone Station Community Centre.

The Town Clerk updated the Sub-Committee on progress.

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RECOMMENDED: That the Town Clerk is authorised to further progress this issue.

**Chairman**

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