

STILTON PARISH COUNCIL CONSTITUTION

Stilton Parish Council consists of eleven councillors elected every four years.

Huntingdonshire District Council maintains the Register of Electors.

Stilton Parish Council's vision is "to ensure Stilton continues to be a vibrant rural village with a strong community spirit where everybody matters. The aim is for Stilton to be a prosperous, safe and attractive place in which to live and work for the present generation and for generations to come."

The purpose of the Council is: to work within statutory powers to maintain and enhance the village's public amenities; to help the people of Stilton to improve their quality of life in accordance with the Council's vision; and, to work in partnership with Huntingdonshire District Council and Cambridgeshire County Council.

The Council will exercise all its powers and duties in accordance with the law and this Constitution. It will utilise its limited budget to achieve the greatest good for the community.

Councillors agree to follow the Council's Code of Conduct, which is overseen by the Monitoring Officer at Huntingdonshire District Council.

The Council's administrative and financial affairs are dealt with by the Parish Clerk/Responsible Finance Officer.

The Council usually meets in public on the second Tuesday of each month in the Parish Room, Church Street at 7.30 pm.

The Council sets up committees to deal with specific matters that require more extensive consideration. These consist of Councillors nominated by the Council in accordance with the Committee's Terms of Reference. Some Committees may include representatives of groups outside the Council. Currently, there are three committees:

The Finance, General Purposes and Communications Committee

The Amenities Management Committee

The Human Resources, Policies and Procedures (HRPP) Committee

The Parish Council has representatives on the following committees:

Mrs Worthington Almshouse Charity

The Council operates a freedom of information policy and publishes its minutes on the parish notice board and its website. Any member of the public can inspect Council papers and attend Council or Committee meetings (except the HRPP Committee). They may also inspect the Council's accounts and make their views known to the external auditor.

Approved by Stilton Parish Council at its meeting on Tuesday 10 December 2019

Signed by: **Julianne Lawrence** Clerk/RFO