

Stonham Aspal Parish Council

Draft Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held at 7:00pm on Tuesday 16th April at the Village Hall, The Street, Stonham Aspal

Present: Cllr Peter Emberson (Chair), Ian Wright (Vice Chair), Cllr Jean Timms, Cllr Josephine Mitson, Cllr Charles Tydeman

Attendance: Alison Green (Parish Clerk) and 3 members of the public

19.50 Apologies and Approval of Absences

Apologies were received from Cllr Malcolm Leith, his absence was approved by the members. Cllr Rob Stevenson was absent.

19.51 Declarations of Pecuniary or Non-Pecuniary Interests by Members

There were no declarations of interest.

19.52 Approval of Minutes of the Previous Meeting on 28th March 2019

It was noted that the date was incorrect on the minutes, this was amended by hand and initialled by the Chair. Other than this error the members agreed that the minutes of the meeting held on 28th March 2019 were a true and accurate record of the meeting. The Chair signed each page of the minutes

19.53 Contributions by Members of the Public

Members of the public raised concerns over the location of the access on planning application DC/19/01699 (agenda point 5)

19.54 Planning

19.54.1 Consideration of Planning Applications

[DC/19/01699-Mill Cottage Mill Green Stonham Aspal Stowmarket Suffolk IP14 6DA](#)

Outline Planning Application (some matters reserved) - Erection of 2No detached dwellings and vehicular access.

The members agreed to object to this application on the basis of the proximity of the entrance/exit to a tight bend in a narrow road with poor visibility and the dangers associated with this.

The members also questioned the accuracy of some of the comments in the planning consultant's report e.g. in relation to sustainability and Mid Suffolk 5yr housing supply. The members would hope that Mid Suffolk would challenge these inaccurate statements.

[DC/19/01618 - Stonham Barns Pettaugh Road Stonham Aspal Stowmarket Suffolk IP14 6AT](#)

Discharge of Conditions application for 3150/15 - Condition 3 (External Lighting Scheme), Condition 4 (Scheme of Floodlighting to Showground), Condition 5 (Scheme of Provision of Fire Hydrants), Condition 6 (Event Management Plan), Condition 7 (Disposal of Surface Water), Condition 9 (Sustainable Urban Drainage System), Condition 10 (Landscaping), Condition 12 (Details of Hard Surfacing to Car Parks A and B), Condition 32 (Landscape Protection).

The members discussed this application at length and agreed although there is no facility online

to comment the following should be fed back to the planning department

Condition

3. Failure to install lighting around the caravan site would pose a Health and Safety risk to holiday makers, residents, visitors and employees on site.

5. For public safety there must be adequate water supply / hydrants in case of fire. Members believe that the suggested use of the water in the lake is not an adequate solution to the risk.

6. The car parking space allocated in the Event Management Plan is not adequate for the size of events. The plan has little detail on traffic management that will be used to avoid congestion on the A1120

10. The landscaping plan does not provide adequate detail to understand how the visual impact of the site on the local environment will be reduced

12. Hard surfaces have been laid in some car parks without submitting the advanced information requested in this condition.

Much of the information to satisfy these conditions was due to be submitted by 12th April 2019. Members believe although the application to discharge these conditions was received on 2nd April 2019 it falls far from meeting the requirement as detailed in the planning permission.

19.54.2 **Decision Notices**

Members noted the following planning decisions

DC/19/01213 Formal Approval is not required - Broughton Hall, Stowmarket Rd, Stonham Aspal, IP14 6AD –Application for Prior Notification of Agricultural Development - Proposed combinable crop store building. Town and Country Planning General Permitted Development Order 2015 Schedule 2, Part 6

DC/19/00690 Planning Permission Granted - Land Adj High Bank , Mill Green, Stonham Aspal, IP14 6DA - Full Planning Application - Erection of 1no. dwelling and cart lodge

19.55 **Finance**

Authorisation of Payments

Members approved the following payments and signed the authorisation and cheque book

Clerks Salary £335.44

Clerks Expenses £30.60

Suffolk Association of Local Councils annual subscription - £251.71

Stonham Aspal Village Hall Hire £165.00 it was noted that this was significantly higher than 2018/19 the clerk will confirm why

19.56 **Consultations**

Joint Area Parking Plan – the members had no comments to make on this consultation.

19.57 **Dates of the next meetings**

14th May 2019 APCM

19.58 **The Chairman closed the meeting at 7:35pm**

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