

# Stonham Aspal Parish Council

## Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held at 7:30pm on Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> January 2020 at Stonham Aspal Village Hall, The Street, Stonham Aspal

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

Attendance: Alison Green (Parish Clerk), County Cllr Matthew Hicks, District Cllr Suzie Morley, 6 members of the public.

### **20.1 Apologies and Approval of Absences**

Apologies were received from Cllr Rob Stevenson

### **20.2 Declarations of Pecuniary or Non-Pecuniary Interests by Members**

The Clerk presented SALC's recent advice on what constitutes a pecuniary and non-pecuniary interest.

Cllr Charles Tydeman declared a pecuniary interest in application DC/19/05786

### **20.3 Approval of the minutes of the previous meetings on 19<sup>th</sup> November 2019**

The clerk failed to attach the minutes to the meeting notice so they have not been read and therefore can't be approved until the next meeting

### **20.4 Consideration of Reports by District Councillor and County Councillor**

Cllr Hicks presented his report to the meeting, a copy is on the Parish Council Website.

Cllr Hicks also advised the meeting that the Ipswich Northern Route report due before the end of January. And of a new permit system for roadworks, where contractors would need to justifying length of time, with penalties for overrunning, He also confirmed that Anglian water will be asked to repair roads damaged as a result of recent roadworks.

Cllr Morley presented her report to the meeting. A copy is on the Parish Council Website.

<http://stonhamaspal.onesuffolk.net/meetings/councillors-reports/>

### **20.5 Contributions by Members of the Public**

Members of the public had no contributions but were interested in various agenda items.

### **20.6 Finance**

#### **20.6.1 Authorisation of payments**

Members approved the following payments for online payment, two members signed the authorisation sheet and bank signatories the individual transactions.

Clerk's salary for December and January £320.64

Clerk's office expenses for December and January £36.00

Mid Suffolk District Council – play equipment inspection - £60.22

Suffolk County Council- Highways white lines on The Street - £1943.74

**20.6.2 Review and approval of Councils bank reconciliation** to 9<sup>th</sup> January 2020 for Community Account and 27<sup>th</sup> December 2019 for Business Premium Account. Councillors reviewed the documents and confirmed the reconciliation to be correct.

**20.6.3 Final budget 2020/21 and precept**

The budget was unanimously agreed and precept set at reduced level of £5500 for 2020/21

## 20.7 Planning

### Consideration of Planning Applications and Decision Notices

**20.7.1** [DC/19/05622 | Application under Section 73 for removal or variation of a condition following grant of DC/19/04261 dated 23/10/2019 \(Use of land for stationing of lodge for fishing warden\) to vary Condition 4 to enable building/s to be retained and used as office/store for fishing lakes. | Stonham Barns Pettaugh Road Stonham Aspal Stowmarket Suffolk IP14 6AT](#)

Members agreed that they had no objection to this application on the basis that the building is retained as an office and store and not used for residential purposes.

**20.7.2** [DC/19/05786 | Application under Section 73 of the Town and Country Planning Act for DC/19/00788 -Outline Planning Application \(some matters reserved\)- Erection and layout of 5 No. dwellings and associated garage structures; Relocation and improvement to site vehicle access \(following demolition of existing barn and outbuildings\) decided 25/7/2019. Without compliance with condition 5 \(Compliance Required: Height of buildings to not exceed 1.5 storeys\). | Green Farm Crowfield Road Stonham Aspal Suffolk](#)

Members agreed to support this application as it is consistent with neighbouring developments.

**20.7.3** [DC/19/05680 | Application for approval of reserved matters following grant of DC/19/00788 dated 25.07.2019, submission of details for the appearance, scale and layout of \(Erection and layout of 5 No. dwellings and associated garage structures; Relocation and improvement to site vehicle access \(following demolition of existing barn and outbuilding\). Details of access. | Green Farm Crowfield Road Stonham Aspal Suffolk](#)

Members agreed to support this application.

**20.7.4** [DC/19/05896 | Full Planning Application - Erection of 4no. dwellings, creation of vehicular access, car parking and associated landscaping | Ubbeston Hall Stowmarket Road Stonham Aspal Stowmarket Suffolk IP14 6AD](#)

The members unanimously agreed to support application. However, they do have concerns over safety and condition of access, onto Broughton Hall lane and from there turning onto the A1120

**20.7.5** [DC/19/05985 | Householder Planning Application - Erection of two storey front extension, cart lodge and workshop. | Broad Green Cottage Pettaugh Road Stonham Aspal Stowmarket Suffolk IP14 6AT](#)

The members agreed to support application but mindful that it is in close proximity to listed buildings and there is no heritage reference in the application

**20.7.6** [DC/20/00121 | Full Planning Application - Erection of glazed link extension and alterations to cartlodge in connection with use of premises as boutique hotel. | Wayside Cottage Pettaugh Road Stonham Aspal Stowmarket Suffolk IP14 6AU](#)

At their meeting on 21st January the members of Stonham Aspal Parish Council unanimously agreed to support this application. However, they are concerned that parking has been omitted from this version of the application but was on the previous change of use application. The need for onsite parking for an 8 bedroom boutique hotel's guests and staff should not be overlooked.

**20.7.7** Development Control Committee re application [C/19/02299 | Full Planning Application - Erection of 46 dwellings, sport pitches and a sports community building with associated access improvements, parking, play space, infiltration basin and landscaping. | Land South Of The Street Stonham Aspal Suffolk IP14 6AN](#)

Cllr Peter Emberson will speak on behalf of the Parish Council and reiterate the points previously made.

**20.7.8 Decision Notices**

The members were advised of the following decision notices.

DC/19/04876 Planning Application – Continued use of land and buildings as extension to Owl Sanctuary (formerly used as petting zoo) including retention of aviaries/enclosures, Stonham Barns Pettaugh Road Stonham Aspal Stowmarket Suffolk IP14 6AT - GRANTED

DC/19/05431 Application under section 73 of the Town and Country Planning Act. DC/18/04993 without compliance with Condition 2 (Approved Plans and Documents): to allow revisions to the design. Land Adjacent High Elm Bungalow, Crowfield Road, Stonham Aspal, Stowmarket Suffolk IP14 6AW – GRANTED

DC/19/05249 Application Under Section 73 of The Town and Country Planning Act (1990) as amended. Variation of condition 10 (restriction on car boot sales) of planning permission

DC/19/02869 to allow car boot sales on car parks A and B all year round. – GRANTED

**20.8 Neighbourhood watch**

Local police confirmed that they have passed on running of neighbourhood watch to Suffolk Neighbourhood Watch Association.

The members agreed they would fund and support any such scheme organised in the village.

**20.9 Site for Village Sign**

Cllr Emberson is waiting to hear back from SCC Highways re the land. If Highways approve the move the members preferred site is to the east of quoits meadow. It was also agreed that the sign should be refurbished when it is moved.

**20.10 Recreation Ground Update**

Cllr Betts has nothing to report the meeting was advised htat the wire has come down. Cllr Betts will resolve this.

**20.11 Highways**

No progress on speed signs and line edging will start after invoice payment.

Water constantly going down Scotts Hill believed to be a blocked pipe. Clerk to report to SCC Highways and point out dangers in freezing weather.

**20.12 Additional Dog waste bin at The Pound**

Members unanimously Agree to purchasing an additional dog waste bin at £178.00 to be positioned near the site where the grit pile was at The Pound.

**20.13 Dates for next meeting**

18<sup>th</sup> February 2020 7:30pm Urgent Matters only.

17<sup>th</sup> March 2020 7:30pm

**20.14** The Chairman closed the meeting at 9:20pm

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21<sup>st</sup> January 2020