

Stonham Aspal Parish Council

Minutes of the Annual Parish Council Meeting held at 7:30pm on Tuesday 16th June 2020 online via zoom

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

Attendance: Alison Green (Parish Clerk), 1 Member of the public

20.61 Apologies and Approval of Absences

Apologies were received from Cllr Charles Tydeman and approved by the members

20.62 Declarations of Pecuniary or Non-Pecuniary Interests by Members - None

20.63 Approval of the minutes of the previous meeting the Annual Parish Council Meeting on 20th May 2020

The minutes of the meeting held on 20th May 2020 were agreed to be an accurate record of the meeting. The minutes will be signed by the Chair at the next face to face meeting

20.64 Contributions by Members of the Public -

The member of the public present wanted to know if she will get notification when village sign is moved as it is next to her boundary. Contact details to be given to the Clerk so that notification can be given

20.65 Planning

Consideration of Planning applications

20.65.1 [Re consultation DC/20/01340 | Householder Planning Application - Erection of workshop and shed. | Broad Green Cottage Pettaugh Road Stonham Aspal Stowmarket Suffolk IP14 6AT](#)

The members unanimously agreed they had no comment to make on this application.

20.65.2 [DC/20/01957 | Householder Planning Application - Erection of 2m fence to the front boundary of the property. | Willow Pond Stowmarket Road Stonham Aspal Stowmarket Suffolk IP14 6AA](#)

The members unanimously agreed they had no comment to make on this application.

20.65.3 [Re consultation DC/20/00760 | Full Planning Application - Erection of 2no. retail units \(amended design to that approved under DC/18/03367\) | Stonham Barns Pettaugh Road Stonham Aspal Stowmarket Suffolk IP14 6AT](#)

The members unanimously agreed they had no comment to make on this application.

20.65.4 Decision notices

The members noted the following planning decisions

DC/20/00554 – Longlands Hall, East End Road, Stonham Aspal, Stowmarket Suffolk IP14 6AR
Discharge of conditions Condition 3 (Swimming Pool Details), Condition 4 (Surfacing/Paving Details),
Condition 5 (Lighting Details), Condition 6 (X-Brace Details)

Conditions has been satisfied subject to implementation in accordance with the wording of the discharge document.

DC/20/00682 - Green Farm, Crowfield Road, Stonham Aspal, Suffolk, discharge of conditions Condition 4 (provision of roads and footpaths), Condition 9 (measures to improve sustainability), Conditions has been satisfied subject to implementation in accordance with the wording of the discharge document. Condition 10 (fire hydrants) discharged

Condition 16 (affordable housing) Location:

LPA Decision: The Applicant's Email received on 28th April 2020 indicates that the Council's Strategic Housing Team has reviewed the submitted details and consider delivery of a commuted sum to be the preferable method to secure affordable housing from this site and note that split payments between first and seventh occupation would be acceptable. This is considered sufficient to partially discharge this condition, with full discharge to come on presentation of an acceptable unilateral undertaking to the Local Planning Authority securing the agreed contributions.

The members would like confirmation on the amount and use of the payments made in lieu of the affordable housing on the development. There were questions about this as a principle when there is a strategy for affordable housing.

Clerk to confirm what the commuted sum is and how it will be spent.

20.65.5 Other Planning matters

Residents neighbouring Stonham Barns have been adversely affected by the creation of a new bore hole by Stonham Barns as the ditch into which this flows crosses their property and water levels have risen to a worrying level.

They have had previous issues of flooding caused by work on the Stonham Barns site.

As they had been unable to make any progress on a solution to the problem through liaison with Stonham Barns or the Council they contacted Cllr Emberson who has been liaising with SCC and the Environment agency on their behalf and will continue to support them to find a resolution to the matter.

20.66 Finance

20.66.1 The following payments were authorised by verbal agreement from each member of the council present. Payments will be made by BACS and authorisation form will be signed at next face to face meeting.

Clerk's wages - £318.87

Clerk's office expenses - £18.00

Clerk's other expenses – McAfee £89.99

MSDC Dog waste / litter bin emptying - £101.35

Roger Stannard – recreation ground strimming - £22.00

20.67 Recreation Ground Update

20.67.1 Annual inspection of the recreation ground

Members unanimously agreed to the basic inspection of the recreation ground provided via Mid Suffolk District Council at the cost of E 46.08+ £4.60 administration charge + VAT

20.67.2 Misuse

A group of teenagers have misusing the recreation ground and other sites in the village. Cllr Emberson has liaised with the Football Club and PC Stefan Henricksen. He also raised the issue on social media and received constructive feedback including an offer of a security patrol. It has been agreed not to take this offer up but rather to follow the advice of PC Henricksen who has recommended talking to the teenagers to see if a solution could be found. If this did not resolve the issues then to contact him for further help.

It was agreed Cllr Betts and Cllr Emberson would talk to the teenagers to find a way forward

20.67.3 Purchase of new nets for the goals at the recreation ground will be discussed at the next meeting. Cllr Betts will obtain quotes.

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Dates for next meeting

Tuesday 21st July 7:30pm at the Village Hall or Online TBC

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Chair closed the meeting at 20:40

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