

# Stonham Aspal Parish Council

**Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting  
held at 7:30pm on Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> September 2021 at the Village Hall,**

Present: Cllr Wright (Vice Chair), Cllr Josephine Mitson, Cllr Betts, Cllr Mullings, Cllr Stevenson

Attendance: Alison Green (Parish Clerk) 4 members of the public, Cllr Suzie Moorley

## **21.92 Apologies and Approval of Absences**

Apologies were received from Cllr Timms and Cllr Emberson and their absence approved by the members.

## **21.93 Declarations of Pecuniary or Non-Pecuniary Interests by Members – the members had no interests to declare**

## **21.94 Approval of Minutes of the Previous Meeting on 21<sup>st</sup> July 2021 and the extraordinary meeting on 31<sup>st</sup> August 2021**

The minutes of the meeting held on 21<sup>st</sup> July 2021 and the extraordinary meeting held on 31<sup>st</sup> August 2021 were unanimously approved by the members who attended the meetings as an accurate record. The minutes were signed by the Vice Chair

## **21.95 Consideration of Reports by the District Councillor & County Councillor**

County Councillor Matthew Hicks sent his apologies his reports for August and September were read out to the meeting.

District Councillor Suzie Morley delivered her report to the meeting. Additionally, she advised the council that she had asked for planning application DC/21/03589 Land to the rear of Quoits Meadow, to be referred to committee

Copies of all reports sent by the County and District Councillor to the Clerk can be found on the Parish Website. [Councillors reports » Stonham Aspal Parish Council \(onesuffolk.net\)](https://www.onesuffolk.net/councillors-reports)

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

**The following issues were raised by members of the public.**

A new tank has been installed at Stonham Barns, the use of which is unknown and there is concern over whether waste would be pumped into another ditch and whether or not it required planning permission. Question to be asked of MSDC planning and SCC regarding environmental concerns.

The meeting was advised that work had started on resurfacing of the church yard footpaths

## **21.97 Planning**

**Consideration of Planning Applications**

**21.97.1** [DC/21/04686 | Full Planning Application - Change of use of agricultural land to domestic garden curtilage | Ash Lodge The Street Stonham Aspal Suffolk](#)

The members of Stonham Aspal Parish Council unanimously agreed that they are neutral to this application, however would request that there are restrictions preventing the building of permanent structures on the plot. Particularly as the site is outside of the settlement boundary.

**21.97.2 Decision Notices**

Members were advised of the following planning decisions

DC/21/02898 Planning Application. Erection of 1no dwelling and garage. Creation of new access High Elm Bungalow, Crowfield Road, Stonham Aspal, Suffolk IP14 6AW REFUSED

DC/21/03968 Planning Application. Change of use and alterations to cartlodge to provide holiday accommodation. Wayside Cottage, Pettaugh Road, Stonham Aspal, Suffolk IP14 6AU GRANTED

DC/21/02140 Planning Application - Erection of new dwelling (following demolition of existing barn on same footprint) in association with barn conversion permission DC/21/02143. Grove Farm, Debenham Road, Stonham Aspal, Suffolk IP14 6BX GRANTED

**21.97.3 Other Planning matters**

There were no other planning matters

**21.98 Quiet Lanes consultation**

The Parish Council received two response to the Quiet Lanes consultation. They questioned the impact the scheme would actually have and the validity of the lane to Broughton Hall as a quiet lane, one reply siting the cars of school parents who park off the Lane each day at drop off and pick up times.

Additionally, it was questioned whether the actual speed limit and damaged 30mph signs should take higher priority.

The members of the Parish Council and members of the public present unanimously agreed to the quiet lanes designation for both sites subject to confirmation of the impact of school parents.

The Parish Council have previously been advised by SCC Highways that the replacement of road signs is on hold because of lack of money. However, this seems contrary to the investment in SID and efforts to improve road safety. The members agreed to invite Cllr Hicks to respond on the subject of replacing road signs.

**21.99 Finance**

**21.99.1 Authorisation of Payments**

The following payments were unanimously agreed by members and the authorisation sheet was signed by Cllr Stevenson and Cllr Betts

Clerks Wages for September including 3hrs extra in August £22.36

Clerks Expenses £18

Westcoted – additional bracket for SID £69.00 (form amended to included VAT)

Roger Stannard – 2.5 hrs Strimming at Rec £28.75

Insurance – not exceeding £597.02 see comments at 21.99.2 ref revised quotation

**21.99.2 Review and approval of insurance quote**

Members agreed that Cllr Stevenson would review the current policy to see if any parts could be reduced or removed and ask for a requote on this basis.

**21.99.3** CIL Return Members unanimously agreed the CIL Return which was signed by the Vice-Chair and RFO

**21.100 Recreation Ground**

Update by recreation ground representative – issues reported have been resolved with the exception of the broken seat on the horse. Clerk to see if they can be repaired.

**21.101 Highways**

Update on highways issues

The meeting had a brief look at statistics from the SID which need to be made available in an agreed format online. The sign will be moved to Scotts Hill shortly (the move had been delayed because of the expected closure of Scotts Hill. It was also suggested that the sign be trialled at each end of the village on the A1120 in similar positions at the entrance to the village as other local villages such as Stonham Parva and Forward Green use for their signs.

It was also questioned why the sign was not solar powered, it was thought it was because these signs are not moveable but will confirm

**21.102 Other Matters Arising from Previous meeting**

**21.102.1** Dog waste bin – Seek approval from Andrew Fuller for bin at the Pound and further information on the need for one at Walnut Tree Meadow

**21.102.2** Shelter at Casa Mexico – Clerk has confirmed that the owner of Casa Mexico is happy with the idea, check permanence of site as a bus stop and if parents / children would like a shelter

**21.102.3** Signs for near recycling area on order – need for larger paper recycling bins and a direct line for emptying raised.

**21.103 Dates of the Next Meetings**

Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> October 2021 7:30pm (Urgent Matters Only) apologies  
Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> November 2021 7:30pm

**21.104 The Chair closed the meeting at 21:05**

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1<sup>st</sup> October 2021