

STONHAM PARVA PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD IN THE BAPTIST CHAPEL
SOCIAL ROOM ON MONDAY 18th OCTOBER 2021

21.124 PRESENT: Cllrs K Dawson, J Baldwin & M Goodrum

21.125 APOLOGIES : Cllrs T Benjamin, I Richardson & S Dinc

21.126 ELECTION OF CHAIR OF MEETING – Proposed by K Dawson, seconded by M Goodrum J Baldwin was elected as chair of the meeting.

21.127 Public Forum: None

21.128 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST – K Dawson declared a non-pecuniary interest in 21.110.1 Report from Councillor Hicks as her children use the school bus service.

21.129 DISPENSATIONS – None

21.130 MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING 20th SEPTEMBER 2021 - Minutes confirmed as correct - Proposed by M Goodrum., seconded by K Dawson.

21.131 COVID-19 – Risk assessment for meetings is now on the website.

21.132 REPORTS

21.132.1 Report from C Cllr Hicks for October which was sent ahead of the meeting.

Key points:

- Greenest County Awards 2021
- Streetlights are being converted to LED
- More appointments available at Recycling Centres

Cllr Hicks was thanked for having some of the white lines on the A140 painted, he was not aware this was being done as he had been told that a contractor has not yet been appointed. This means the other lines will be completed in due course.

21.132.2 No report was received from D Cllr Morley for October

It has been confirmed that the funding for the signs on Clockhouse Lane came from C Cllr Hicks' budget and so an email has been sent to MSDC asking to pay back the locality grant received.,

21.132.3 Footpaths – The footpaths by the fields have been cut by the farmer again although there has been no reply to the letter sent. The Clerk cut the footpath around the allotments and none of the others need doing again yet.

Letter sent to local resident thanking him for clearing the overgrown areas around the allotments/public footpath area and offering payment for consumable costs.

The field next to The Magpie has overhanging branches making the pavement difficult to walk on. The pavement by Four Elms is overgrown again, the footpath on the other side of the crossing has been cut but not this area.

Action – W Brame to report this to Highways.

21.132.4 Cemetery – The Cemetery hedge was cut on 12th October 2021.

There was an interment on 9th October 2021 and a burial will take place on 18th October 2021.

Need to look at headstones which were at an angle.

Action – T Benjamin to co-ordinate cemetery visit to decide on headstones

21.132.5 Play Area – Email has been sent to Sovereign regarding the use of guards around the play equipment.

We have now received the play inspection report and this will be discussed at November's meeting.

It was agreed not to purchase a No Parking sign as there have been no further issues.

21.132.6 Neighbourhood Watch – Emails have been forwarded and the Suffolk Neighbourhood Watch Association have been in contact after W Brame completed a survey. Their newsletters will now be received and can be forwarded to residents.

21.132.7 Tree Warden – Application for trees has gone in to the Suffolk Tree Warden Network.

The wildflower seeds application is ongoing.

21.132.8 SALC – Nothing to update

21.133 COMMUNICATION – Noticeboard still needs to be installed.

Action – T Benjamin and volunteers to put up noticeboard.

21.134 PLANNING INCLUDING APPLICATIONS – None

21.135 TRAINING/CONFERENCES – J Baldwin starts her Councillor training next month. Currently there are no available dates for the first two sessions so K Dawson has not yet signed up.

21.136 ROADS/ROAD SAFETY – The signs to show that Clockhouse Lane is not suitable for HGV's have gone up.

The white lines will be completed as soon as a contractor has been engaged.

Earl Stonham Farms have replied to the email/letter and the Farm Manager will be contacting me.

21.137 GOVERNANCE – Awaiting external audit report.

21.138 FINANCE – Clerk's finance report for September was emailed to everyone ahead of the meeting. No questions raised.

The quarterly/half yearly accounts were received. All are in line with budget except those mentioned in July.

Insurance quote with Community Action Suffolk was accepted and payment made.

Proposed by K Dawson, seconded by M Goodrum the following payments (Apr – June) were checked as an internal control measure for online banking:

John Davidson Pipes - £358.04

SALC - £190.96

SPPC - £1000.00

Vertas - £206.89

ICO - £35.00

Wendy Brame - £441.60

Proposed by K Dawson, seconded by M Goodrum the following payments (July – Sept) were checked as an internal control measure for online banking:

Vertas - £206.89
HMRC - £153.00
T Benjamin - £23.76
MSDC - £500.00
SBBC - £80.00
CAS - £235.17

21.139 QUEEN'S PLATINUM JUBILEE - K Dawson attended a Festival of Suffolk 2022 webinar which included Suffolk's plans for the Queen's Platinum Jubilee. Discussion regarding a Cream Tea fundraiser in May 2022. There is also a Big Lunch planned throughout the country on Sunday 5th June 2022.

21.140 FUNDRAISING – K Dawson is organising a Christmas Coffee Morning on Saturday 11th December 2021, she has a meeting of fundraising volunteers at her house tomorrow. A save the date flyer needs to be hand delivered and all agreed to help with this. Also looking for raffle prizes.

21.141 MAGPIE SIGN – There had been no reply to from the MSDC Heritage Officers so this was chased up and a telephone call will take place this week.

21.142 CORRESPONDENCE – None

21.143 REVIEW OF ACTIONS NOT COVERED ABOVE – No contact re village sign yet.

21.144 DATE OF NEXT MEETING – Monday 15th November 2021 at 8pm

The Chair thanked all for attending and closed the meeting at 9.27pm