

STONHAM PARVA PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD IN BAPTIST CHAPEL SOCIAL ROOM ON MONDAY 1<sup>ST</sup> DECEMBER 2022

22.176 PRESENT: Cllrs M Sealby, I Richardson, K Dawson and M Goodrum

22.177 APOLOGIES : Cllrs T Benjamin & R Andrews

22.178 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST – Councillors Richardson and Dawson declared a non-pecuniary interest in 22.189 Allotments as they are plot holders.

22.179 DISPENSATIONS – None

**22.180 Public Forum:** There were no members of the public present

22.181 MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING 17<sup>TH</sup> OCTOBER 2022- Minutes confirmed as correct - Proposed by I Richardson, seconded by M Goodrum

22.182 REPORTS

**22.182.1** Report received from Cllr Hicks for November of the meeting. He also attended. Key points include:

- Next round of new SEND places agreed by Cabinet
- Cost of living to impact council's budget
- Campaign launched to boost metal packaging recycling rates across Suffolk

**22.182.2** Report received from D Cllr Morley for November. Key points include:

- Residents urged to have their say over whether council tax bills should be reduced by up to 100% for those on low incomes
- Winter warmth funding for community causes
- Bird flu outbreak

**22.182.3 Footpaths/Pavements** – A resident complained about the pavement between The Magpie to Chapel as there are lots of overhanging branches.

**Action – W Brame to report to Highways.**

Footbridge repair (mid-point on Church Lane leading to allotments) was reported in October

**22.182.4 Cemetery** – I Richardson has cut back some of the hedging which is nearest to the graves as it was overhanging. We can add some pots to the area around the bench to improve the area.

**22.182.5 Playing Field** – The new springers were installed on 30/11/22.

The latest playground inspection has not been received.

**Action – W Brame to chase MSDC for play area inspection report.**

There is a fallen branch behind the slide

**Action - M Goodrum to remove branch.**

There is quite a bit of litter in the den area where the children play which is more noticeable now the leaves have fallen.

**Action – K Dawson to ask children to tidy up.**

There has been no update on the playing field purchase for some time.

**Action – W Brame to chase up asset management**

We need to check whether goal posts are needed for winter, if not they can be removed.

**Action - K Dawson to write Facebook post to check usage.**

**22.182.6 Neighbourhood Watch** – A resident visited M Sealby to raise concerns.

**22.182.7 Tree Warden** – There has been no response to our order for trees and hedgerow.

**22.182.8 SALC** – None

**22.183 COMMUNICATION** – The newsletter was emailed and posted to those who are on the mailing list.

**Recorder** – More play equipment ordered

**22.184 PLANNING INCLUDING APPLICATIONS** – None

**22.185 ROADS/ROAD SAFETY** – 30mph vinyl stickers for bins have been handed out to some residents who requested them. These can also be handed out at events,

The street light at the top of Norwich Road has been reported and this is not maintained by Suffolk County Council, their response to the enquiry was that they can remove the existing lantern and replace with 15w LED lantern complete with photocell control, install weather box to house new isolator and carry out earthing to latest standards for the sum of: £497.00 plus VAT.

It was agreed to go ahead with this, Proposed by I Richardson, seconded by M Goodrum.

**22.186 TRAINING/CONFERENCES** – None

**22.187 GOVERNANCE** – None

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

At the next meeting the budget/precept will need to be agreed so everyone is to think about equipment/unusual expenditure for 23/24.

**22.189 ALLOTMENTS** – Response received from Solicitors asking for contact by telephone as too many variables to put in an email.

**Action - W Brame to telephone solicitors**

**22.190 FUNDRAISING** – Discussed fundraising meeting and ideas for 2023. Budget of £2000 for Village Fete was requested – document outlining event to be brought to next meeting for agreement.

Coffee & Chat held on 26/11/22 which was well attended.

Quiz is on 10/12/22 - £6 per ticket. All tables sold.

**22.191 VILLAGE SIGN** – This is ongoing, a further meeting is needed with Mr Denny to discuss exact location.

**22.192 MAGPIE SIGN** – Further correspondence from Solicitors to suggest that if matters do not complete that each party be responsible for their own costs. This was agreed. Proposed by I Richardson, seconded by K Dawson.

22.193 ST MARYS CHURCH – Awaiting contact from D Cllr Morley regarding whether she will help with locality funding for the toilets and then will need to complete a project form for CCT.

22.194 COMMUNITY WOOD – To be discussed at next meeting

22.195 CORRESPONDENCE – None.

22.196 REVIEW OF ACTIONS NOT COVERED ABOVE – None

22.197 DATE OF NEXT MEETING – Monday 16<sup>th</sup> January 2023  
The Chair thanked all for attending and closed the meeting at 9pm

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