

STONHAM PARVA PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD IN ST MARY'S CHURCH ON
MONDAY 26TH SEPTEMBER 2022

22.128 PRESENT: Cllrs M Sealby, T Benjamin, I Richardson and R Andrews

Since the last meeting Cllr J Baldwin has resigned.

22.129 APOLOGIES : Cllrs K Dawson and M Goodrum

22.130 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST – Councillor Richardson and Andrews declared a non-pecuniary interest in 22.141 Allotments as they are plot holders.

22.131 DISPENSATIONS – None

22.132 Public Forum: Jane Hatton from the Churches Conservation Trust thanked the Parish Council for all their support since the Church reopened. A plan is currently being drawn up for the short, medium and long term. Events are coming up. Equipment has been provided so a volunteer can clean the Church.

22.133 MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING 15TH AUGUST 2022- Minutes confirmed as correct - Proposed by I Richardson, seconded by T Benjamin

22.134 REPORTS

22.134.1 Report received from Cllr Hicks for September ahead of the meeting. Key points include:

- Support with cost of living
- Campaign regarding safe battery disposal
- Solar panel scheme

22.134.2 No report from D Cllr Morley for September

22.134.3 Footpaths – At the village fete comments were made regarding the footpath on Pains Hill and the width of this, this has been reported to Highways at least yearly for the last few years but they are not able to do anything about it. Agreed to approach C Cllr Hicks about this and provide photographs of the issue. Another issue was the verge at the top of Church Lane as turning right on to the A140 is difficult when the grass is long.

Action – M Sealby to take photographs of Pains Hill footpath.

Action – W Brame to report verge

The footpath by the layby on Norwich Road has been cleared by Clarke and Simpson.

Hedging in front of 7 Turnpike is severely overgrown making walking on the footpath difficult.

Action – W Brame to write letter asking them to trim the hedge

22.134.4 Cemetery – A burial will be taking place on 6th October 2022.

22.134.5 Play Area – Work still needs to be done to the play area from the last play inspection. The latest playground inspection should have been carried out in the last few months so we should get this soon.

Action – M Goodrum to create action plan for work still required.

Email has been sent to Caloo to accept the quote for the Horse and Scooter rocker at a cost of £3427.75.

22.134.6 Neighbourhood Watch – M Sealby will be the new representative for Neighbourhood Watch.

Action – T Benjamin to pass on email account details

22.134.7 Tree Warden – W Brame has registered for the MSDC tree/hedgerow/wildflower scheme. Should hear in late November.

The STWN scheme has opened so will apply here also just in case we do not receive anything from the MSDC scheme.

Action – W Brame to apply for hedgerow and wildflower seeds from STWN

R Andrews has agreed to be the Tree Warden representative.

Action – W Brame to pass on details

22.134.8 SALC – None

22.135 COMMUNICATION – No volunteer has come forward to record events within the village so instead at each Parish Council meeting we will add a paragraph of significant events in the village which will then be collated yearly and sent to The Recorder.

The next newsletter will be sent out at the end of October.

22.136 PLANNING INCLUDING APPLICATIONS – Concerns have been raised about the work on Norwich Road as some of the documents have not yet been signed off. Currently the work is only at ground level.

22.137 ROADS/ROAD SAFETY – Quiet Lane consultation deadline was 22nd August 2022 but nothing has been heard as yet..

We have 30mph vinyl stickers which did not arrive in time for the fete so will need to be distributed with the newsletter.

22.138 TRAINING/CONFERENCES – M Goodrum completed the Play Area Inspection course.

22.139 GOVERNANCE – None

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

It was agreed to accept the quote for insurance from CAS at £375.02. Proposed by I Richardson, seconded by T Benjamin.

A wreath was purchased to commemorate the Queen passing which was laid at St Marys Church. The cost was £50 and was purchased under S137. Proposed by T Benjamin, seconded by I Richardson.

22.141 ALLOTMENTS – Lease was sent to everyone for commenting and the figures for the increase are in calculation form and appear to rise faster than agreed.

Action – Email to be sent to ask for monetary figures in the calculation so we can see how much the rent will increase over 7 years

Letter to be sent to the Little Stonham Charity to ask whether the Parish Council can be considered for any of their land the next time it becomes available.

Action – W Brame to send letter to Little Stonham Charity regarding land.

Feedback received at the fete regarding lack of water supply at the allotments.

22.142 FUNDRAISING – There was £1200 takings approx.. from the fete, expenses need to be taken from this but there will have been a profit. Debrief meeting due soon.

Coffee & Chat scheduled for 29/10/22 at St Marys

22.143 VILLAGE SIGN – A further quote of £650 has been received but this needs to be compared to the previous quote to ensure like for like.

Action – M Sealby to speak to original quote

22.144 MAGPIE SIGN – Crowd funding is time limited and has 27 days left to run, unsure what happens at the end. T Benjamin will check this.
Need to share the link on as many Facebook pages as possible and get on the radio.

Action – M Sealby to contact Radio Suffolk

22.145 PARVA AND PYE BOOK – Author of book has been in contact to request a meeting so will get a date organised.

22.146 PUBLIC TRANSPORT – Some residents have commented on the lack of public transport. There used to be a Community bus that some residents booked in advance to take them to town. If this is still running we need to include this in the newsletter.

Action – W Brame to check public transport availability in our area

22.147 ST MARYS CHURCH – Toilets are required at St Mary's and compostable ones are £1800 each.

Action – W Brame to send email to D Cllr Morley to see whether we can apply for some locality funding to help with this cost.

Toilets and an updated kitchen area will need to have project forms completed which Jane Hatton will send across.

Action - W Brame to complete project forms for toilets and kitchen area

22.148 CORRESPONDENCE – None.

22.149 REVIEW OF ACTIONS NOT COVERED ABOVE – None

22.150 DATE OF NEXT MEETING – Monday 17th October 2022
The Chair thanked all for attending and closed the meeting at 8.58pm