

STONHAM PARVA PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD IN ST MARY'S CHURCH ON
MONDAY 15th MAY 2023

23.21 PRESENT: Cllrs M Sealby, I Richardson, K Dawson, M Goodrum and L Courtenay

23.22 ELECTION OF CHAIR : Councillor M Sealby was elected as Chair. It was agreed that the Declaration of Office can be signed before the next meeting. Proposed by I Richardson, seconded by K Dawson.

23.23 ELECTION OF VICE-CHAIR: Councillor I Richardson was elected as Vice-Chair. It was agreed that the Declaration of Office can be signed before the next meeting Proposed by M Goodrum, seconded by L Courtenay.

23.24 APOLOGIES :

23.25 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST – Councillors Richardson and Dawson declared a non-pecuniary interest in 23.37 Allotments as they are plot holders.

23.26 DISPENSATIONS – None

23.27 Public Forum: There were no members of public in attendance.

23.28 MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING 17th APRIL 2023- Minutes confirmed as correct - Proposed by K Dawson, seconded by M Goodrum

23.29 APPOINTMENT OF REPRESENTATIVES:

Footpaths – I Richardson

Cemetery – I Richardson

Play Area – M Goodrum

Website – L Courtenay

Newsletters – M Sealby

Neighbourhood Watch – M Sealby

Tree Warden – All

Safeguarding – K Dawson

Fundraising – K Dawson

23.30 REPORTS

23.30.1 Report received from Cllr Hicks for May ahead of the meeting.

Key points include:

- Children's expert brought in to strengthen reform of SEN provision
- Ipswich Re-use shop has reopened at Foxhall Recycling Centre

23.30.2 There is a new District Councillor for our ward, Nicholas (Nick) Hardingham.

23.30.3 Footpaths/Pavements – The grass cutting for our village is scheduled for the weekends of 19/20 and 26/27 May. Need to check if the verge along Pains Hill will be cut as this is impacting visibility when turning out of Church Lane.

A member of the public previously raised a concern about the verge leading down Pains Hill to the crossroads as this is not wide enough for mobility scooters, pushchairs etc

Need to look at employing a contractor to cut various areas within the village. Firstly need to agree exactly where needs to be cut and how frequently.

A member of the public has raised an issue with the public footpath at the back of Hollyhocks as the owners have planted laurel trees and have laid branches along the footpath which is encroaching on the footpath

The ditches on Church Lane near Skyline, the ditch on Clockhouse Lane and the ditch behind the houses on Church Lane are all blocked – W Brame to contact farmer to see if he can clear these out as when we have heavy rain the areas flood.

23.30.4 Cemetery – No update

23.30.5 Playing Field – The slide needs holes drilling in it as water gathers at the bottom when it rains.

Action – Spreadsheet to be created for play area actions

Action – Email to be sent to Anglian Water re land next to the playing field.

23.30.6 Neighbourhood Watch – No update

23.30.7 Tree Warden – No update

23.30.8 SALC – Training information to be sent to Councillors, this is now a reduced training programme which involves 2 x 2hr online sessions rather than 6.

23.31 COMMUNICATION – **Recorder** – King’s Coronation and Charlie Haylock talk

23.32 PLANNING INCLUDING APPLICATIONS – Nothing heard regarding planning application DC/23/01525 but Highways have not responded even though it impacts the A140.

23.33 ROADS/ROAD SAFETY – The SID was taken down and the data has been downloaded. There are 4 million vehicle movements per year. This information can be used as evidence in our planning objection DC/23/01525.

23.34 TRAINING/CONFERENCES – All Councillors to look at Development Pathway for Councillors which includes all training.

23.35 GOVERNANCE – The Annual Parish Meeting will take place on Saturday 27th May during our Coffee & Chat session.

23.36 FINANCE – Clerk’s finance report for April was emailed to everyone ahead of the meeting.

23.37 ALLOTMENTS – The agents for the landowners are not willing to move on the increase in the allotment fee.

Action – W Brame to email Diocese to bring this issue to their attention. If response is not positive will approach EADT.

23.38 EVENTS/FUNDRAISING – The Coronation event was attended by about 60 people.

The Community Games Night on 12th May was a success and the next one will be 9th June. Poster to be updated.

The talk by Charlie Haylock was attended by 30 people.

The next coffee and chat is on 27th May when it will incorporate the APM.

A fundraising meeting has been held and plans for the village fete are progressing.

23.39 MAGPIE SIGN – Ownership of the sign is being progressed.

23.40 ST MARYS CHURCH – A community project form needs to be completed for the CCT, Jayne will send this over. Expected delivery date is now July 2023.

Action – Project Form to be completed.

23.41 HEDGE CUTTING – As per 23.30.3

23.42 DATE OF NEXT MEETING – Monday 26th June

The meeting closed at 8.41pm.

ISSUED