

STONHAM PARVA PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD IN BAPTIST CHURCH ON
MONDAY 18th SEPTEMBER 2023

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

23.98 APOLOGIES : Cllr M Goodrum

23.99 APPROVAL OF ABSENCE: Absence of Cllr M Goodrum was approved. Proposed by K Dawson, seconded by L Courtenay.

23.100 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST – Councillors Richardson and Dawson declared a non-pecuniary interest in 23.111 Allotments as they are plot holders.

23.101 DISPENSATIONS – None

<p>23.102 Public Forum: There were no members of the public present</p>
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23.103 MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING 14th AUGUST 2023- Minutes confirmed as correct – Proposed by I Richardson, seconded by M Sealby

23.104 REPORTS

23.104.1 Report received from Cllr Hicks for September and he also attended the meeting.

Key points from report:

- 200th Cold Calling Zone
- Suffolk Fire & Rescue Training Centre officially opened

23.104.2 Report received from Cllr Hardingham for September and he also attended the meeting.

Key points from report:

- Pride in your Place campaign
- Annual Canvas & Residents Survey

23.104.3 Footpaths/Pavements – Footpaths were cut a few weeks ago

Photos have been sent to Cllr Hicks regarding Pains Hill pavement asking for this to be looked at again.

23.104.4 Cemetery – Interment of ashes will take place on 5th October.

The Churchyard and the Cemetery hedge need cutting.

23.104.5 Play Area – Agreed to accept quote from MSDC for a play area inspection at a cost of £53.15 + VAT + 10% admin cost. Proposed by K Dawson, seconded by I Richardson.

23.104.6 Neighbourhood Watch – No update

23.104.7 SALC – No update

23.105 COMMUNICATION – I Richardson spoke on the radio about the A140 closure as this has not been notified to residents, businesses or the Parish Council.

23.106 PLANNING INCLUDING APPLICATIONS – Discussed DC/23/03407 as a new block plan had been created although not notified to us, the block plan showed a build out at the top of the layby to stop incursions from vehicles exiting the layby on to the entrance to the development.

23.107 ROADS/ROAD SAFETY – Suffolk County Council are consulting on 3 junctions on the A140, this had not been notified to the Parish Council. This will be shared as much as possible on social media.

The Quiet Lanes signs are up but the one at the top of Clockhouse Lane needs bigger brackets as the pole is larger than usual. Thanks go to Trevor Benjmain for putting the signs up.

23.108 GOVERNANCE – None

23.109 FINANCE – Clerk's finance report for August was emailed to everyone ahead of the meeting.

Insurance quote of £357.60 to be accepted once clarification sought on asset values etc. proposed by I Richardson, seconded by K Dawson.

Proposed by I Richardson, seconded by M Sealby the following payments (Apr - Jun) were checked as an internal control measure for online banking:

Foreign payment - £1395.00

Our Charge - £15.00

W Brame - £236.17

I Richardson - £440.95

ICO - £35.00

SCCAPORS - £184.00

23.110 GROUNDS MAINTENANCE CONTRACT – No quotes have been received.

23.111 ALLOTMENTS – BBC Suffolk ran the allotment increase as a news story. Nothing heard from Clarke & Simpson following this.

23.112 EVENTS/FUNDRAISING – The fete was held on 2nd September and was well attended.

Final figures are not available as yet but does show a profit.

Fete debrief happening on 20th September.

23.113 MAGPIE SIGN – Suffolk Highways have confirmed that they own the land on which the sign sits and we now have a contact in that department.

Awaiting legal paperwork to confirm ownership of the actual sign.

23.114 DATE OF NEXT MEETING – Monday 16th October 2023

The meeting closed at 9.21pm