

STONHAM PARVA PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD IN ST MARY'S CHURCH ON  
MONDAY 26<sup>th</sup> JUNE 2023

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

23.44 APOLOGIES : None

23.45 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST – Councillors Richardson and Dawson declared a non-pecuniary interest in 23.56 Allotments as they are plot holders.

23.46 DISPENSATIONS – None

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

23.48 MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING 15<sup>th</sup> MAY 2023- Minutes confirmed as correct  
- Proposed by I Richardson, seconded by M Goodrum

23.49 REPORTS

**23.49.1** Report received from Cllr Hicks for June ahead of the meeting. Cllr Hicks also attended.  
Key points include:

- £10million allocated for road repairs in residential areas
- Shake It Out promotion – ensuring recycling is put in bins on it's own and not in bags.

**23.49.2** Report received from Cllr Hardingham for June ahead of the meeting. Cllr Hardingham also attended.

Key points include:

- District clean up (small grants available)
- Electric bus service serving villages being investigated

**23.49.3 Footpaths/Pavements** – The verges have been cut today but some are still overgrown as SCC only go 1 metre in from the road.

**23.49.4 Cemetery** – The cemetery was cut on 18/6

**23.49.5 Playing Field** – There was a complaint on Facebook about the play area and lack of cutting. This was reported and the cut took place on 18/6.

**23.49.6 Neighbourhood Watch** – No update

**23.49.7 Tree Warden** – No update

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

23.50 COMMUNICATION – None

23.51 PLANNING INCLUDING APPLICATIONS – Planning application DC/23/01525 has been withdrawn.

Discussed DC/23/02904 – it was agreed to object to this as no other houses within the village have bricks walls and gates so is not in keeping. There are concerns if more than 1 vehicle tries to turn in and also how will deliveries be managed without impacting on road users of the A140.

There is also concern about the loss of trees, hedges and grass when compared to the original plan.

23.52 ROADS/ROAD SAFETY – The Quiet Lanes signage has been collect by T Benjamin, just awaiting the pole at the junction of Church Lane/Clockhouse Lane to be erected.

The street light at the top of Church Lane has still not been fixed – need to chase this up and include Cllr Hicks in email.

23.53 TRAINING/CONFERENCES – W Brame will attend the SALC AGM.

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

Accounts for 22/23 were approved. Proposed by I Richardson, seconded by M Sealby

23.55 GOVERNANCE – It was agreed that the Parish Council meet the requirements of exemption as our income is less than £25,000 so the certificate of exemption was completed and signed. Proposed by I Richardson, seconded by M Sealby.

The Governance Statement was approved. Proposed by M Sealby, seconded by L Courtenay.

The Accounting Statement was approved. Proposed by K Dawson, seconded by M Goodrum.

The CIL form was approved. Proposed by K Dawson, seconded by M Sealby.

The Internal Audit was received. Proposed by M Sealby, seconded by L Courtenay.

23.56 ALLOTMENTS – No update from email to Diocese.

23.57 EVENTS/FUNDRAISING – Due to low attendance it was agreed to amend the Coffee and Chat to the following months: October, December, February & May.

**Action – W Brame to make new posters for noticeboards and Facebook.**

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

23.59 ST MARYS CHURCH – The project form is nearly completed and will be emailed to CCT for permission for the compostable toilet.

23.60 GREEN AREAS CONTRACT – Discussed the requirements for the new contract including more Footpaths.

23.61 DATE OF NEXT MEETING – Monday 17<sup>th</sup> July 2023

The meeting closed at 9pm