



STANTON PARISH COUNCIL

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Chair – Francis Hart

Vice Chair – Phil Smith

Minutes of the Meeting of Stanton Parish Council held on 6 October 2022 at Stanton Village Hall.

AGENDA

1. Roll call and apologies for absence

Present – Cllrs F J Hart (Chair), P Smith (Vice Chair), B Smithson, B McDonald, B Brown, L Frost, C Harvey -Evers, A Kemp, K Davies, M Scowcroft.

Apologies for absence accepted –. Cllr J Frizzell.

2. The minutes of previous meeting – 11 August 2022 and 8 Sept 2022 were approved.

3. Public Forum:

Two members of the public were present to object to planning application DC/22/1476/VAR on the grounds of noise and non-compliance with previously granted application. They were concerned that the increase in breeding bitches to 20 and including male dogs and subsequent litters would result in the continuance of noise disturbance.

A representative of Stanton FC was present to discuss proposals for a food/drinks outlet on the top pitch for use on match days only. After discussion it was agreed that the proposal be trialled for a maximum of two seasons with the Parish Council reserving the right to ask for it to be removed if vandalism and litter became a problem.

One member of the public was present to observe the meeting.

4. Report from:

a. D Cllr J Thorndyke

- The next Parish Forum takes place on 16 November at 6pm
- West Suffolk are looking at cost of living issues and what they may be able to do to help residents with rising costs.
- Elections for 2023 are now being discussed with possible changes including photo ID being required which may result in an increase in postal votes
- Community Chest funding closed on 30 September with applications for £1,159,338 being submitted for a share of the pot of £513,406
- Planning office has considered that the George Hill site is not suitable for a judicial review so the granted application will stand. Wrenshall Barns is going to committee in Nov or Dec due to historical issues.

b. S CCllr J Spicer

- Old School/Village Green site – Cllr Spicer to make an appointment to meet with SCC to discuss the terms of the lease.
 - Matt Hancock MP will be visiting the area of George Hill (and other places in her constituency) on 14 October. If a representative from the Council could be at George Hill to show him what the problem is with the pavement it would be useful.

- SCC again looking at Hepworth Road hedgerow and work should be carried out soon to resolve this issue

5. **Clerk's Report:** The Clerk advised Council of her resignation with effect from 31 December 2022. There were no queries on the Clerks report.

6. **Declarations of Interest:** None.

7. **Planning applications** – can be viewed at

<https://www.westsuffolk.gov.uk/planning/vieworcommentonplanningapplications.cfm>

a. **New Applications** –

DC/22/1476/VAR | Application to vary condition 6 of DC/17/1652/FUL to change from 10 breeding bitches on the site to 20 to allow for the material change in the use of the land from paddock to the breeding and keeping of dogs comprising the following: (a) 2.1 metre high close boarded timber fence and concrete post; (b) car parking area; (c) 2no. dog kennels and (d) 1no. stable block | Land Adjacent To Doctors Hall Bury Lane Stanton Suffolk

RESPONSE - Council objects to this application on the grounds of noise. Complaints continue to be received from local residents of dogs barking at all times of the day. 20 breeding bitches would not include the male dogs or puppies and so the numbers of dogs could increase significantly. Council would ask that the conditions of the previously granted application be enforced.

DC/22/1487/TPO | Tree preservation order TPO 248 (1997) - two Maple (T1 and T6 on plan, within area A1 on order) crown lift to three metres above ground level; one Hawthorn (T2 on plan, within area A1 on order) fell; one Maple (T3 on plan, within area A1 on order) crown reduction on boundary side by up to 1.5 metres; one Hawthorn (T4 on plan, within area A1 on order) crown reduction on boundary side by up to one metre; one Hazel (T5 on plan, within area A1 on order) removal of limb overhanging property; one Oak (T7 on plan, within area A1 on order) crown lift to one metre above ariel | Berkeley Leisure Shepherds Grove Park Stanton Suffolk IP31 2AY

RESPONSE - There are no objections to this application

DC/22/1481/HH | Householder planning application - detached garage with loft | 2 Wrenshall Cottages Upthorpe Road Stanton Suffolk IP31 3AS

RESPONSE - There are no objections to this application

DC/22/1512/TPO | Tree preservation order TPO 248 (1997) - one Ash (T1 on plan, within area A1 on order) overall crown reduction of up to five metres to previous pruning points | 26 Drovers Rise Stanton Suffolk IP31 2BW

RESPONSE - There are no objections to this application

DC/22/1596/TPO | TPO 248 (1997) - Tree preservation order - one Oak (T1 on plan, within A1 on order) lateral crown reduction by up to four metres on all sides and removal of limb on north western aspect | 10 Woodlands Way Stanton Suffolk IP31 2UH

RESPONSE - There are no objections to this application

DC/19/2481/OUT | Outline Planning Application: Provision of up to 220 dwellings (including affordable dwellings and ten Self Build / Custom Build plots) together with changing rooms' site, public open space, allotments, public car parking, general landscaping, biodiversity / ecology areas,

sustainable drainage, vehicle access and cycle / pedestrian access and associated infrastructure. (All matters Reserved except for means of access). | Land East Of Bury Road Stanton Suffolk
RESPONSE - Councillors considered the plans at a meeting held on 6 October 2022. After discussion, there was a majority vote in favour of the development.(Councillors voted in favour by 5/4 with one abstention)

DC/22/1637/TPO | TPO 248 (1997) tree preservation order - one Oak (T1 on plan, within area A1 on order) crown lift to up to 1.5 metres above property and crown reduce by one metre; one Oak (T3 on plan, within area A1 on order) crown reduction by 0.5 metres; one Silver Birch (T4 on plan, within area A1 on order) fell | Berkeley Leisure Shepherds Grove Park Stanton Suffolk IP31 2AY
RESPONSE - There are no objections to this application.

DC/22/1638/TPO | TPO 248 (1997) tree preservation order - one Horse chestnut (T1 on plan in area A1 on order) fell | 35A Shepherds Grove Park Stanton Suffolk IP31 2AY
RESPONSE - There are no objections to this application.

b. Determined Applications –

Table 1 Determined applications

Reference	Address	PC Decision	West Suffolk decision	Decision date
DC-22-1114-HH	Little Dale Farm	Support	Approved	16/09/22
DC-22-1190-FUL	Shelbourne Reynolds	Support	Approved	14/09/22
DC-22-1301-CLE	Whitton and Frost	Object to composting	Approved	26/09/22
DC-22-1280-OUT	Land at Barningham Road	Object	Refused	13/09/22
DC-22-1383-TCA	Chapters The Street	Not considered	No objections	02/09/22
DC-22-1385-TPO	Shepherds Grove Park	Not considered	Approved	23/09/22
DC-22-1424-TCA	30 The Street	Not considered	No objections	12/09/22

c. Planning – Other

Green Ixworth – response to West Suffolk Plan and appeal by St Josephs Homes against refusal – (Great Barton/NE Bury St Edmunds) development – Council noted the response and had nothing further to add

8. Statutory Business/Governance –

- h. The Action Plan 22-23 was reviewed and updated.
- i. The Health and Safety Policy 2022 was reviewed and approved.

9. Fireworks Event

- a. Cllr Smithson updated Council on the preparations for the Fireworks event. Tickets are now available at the post office and Hillcrest. Posters are up. The football club will be providing first aid cover. All Councillors encouraged to assist with the event on the day please.

10. Matters for discussion:

- a. Litter bins on the Recreation Ground. Cllr Harvey-Evers asked Council to consider another litter bin on the area of the top pitch due to increased litter/bottles being left. After discussion Cllr Harvey-Evers was tasked to source a suitable vandal proof bin which could be installed and easily emptied by the street cleaner.
- b. Stanton FC – proposal to erect food outlet on Recreation Ground. After discussion it was resolved that the food outlet be allowed for the next two seasons with Council reserving the right to ask for the kiosk to be removed if subject to excess litter or vandalism.
- c. Stanton FC – request for water supply to Recreation Ground. This project was deferred.
- d. It was resolved that a budget of up to £100 be set for the winter planting of the Village tubs.
- e. It was resolved that a budget of £500 be set for the Annual Christmas Tree event.
- f. Cllr Brown updated Council on the allotments – a roll of barbed wire had been supplied to the allotment holders to repair holes cut in the outside fence by unknown persons. Cllr Smith

suggested that the Council may wish to look at their liability under the Occupiers Liability Act 1984 relating to the use of barbed wire and suggested signage might be required. Clerk to investigate.

- g. Cllr Brown updated Council that the Wellington Bomber Memorial should be ready for installation in the cemetery in late October/November when a dedication service will be arranged. The Memorial will need to be finished with some decorative stone around the base – to be costed once the memorial is in place.
- h. Cllr Frizzell was unable to be present at the meeting. Cllr Brown submitted Cllr Frizzell's report on the George Hill area which was previously circulated. After discussion it was agreed that the area should be allowed to grow out to nature with some maintenance on the edge against the pavement area to keep the pavement area clear. The Clerk to speak to the grass cutting contractor and arrange a meeting before the next cutting season to agree a way forward.

11. Accounts

- a. The Bank reconciliation as at 30 September 2022 was received. Current Balance £98963.01
- b. To consider the SAAA Opt out communication. After discussion it was agreed that the Council would not opt out.
- c. The external Auditor final report for 2021-22 was received. Clerk to publish on the web site.
- d. The Q2 Budget report was received.
- e. The accounts as below were approved for payment. (General Power of Competence applies)

Table 2 List of payments and Receipts

PAYMENTS	Minute/cost code	Description	Net	VAT	Total
Glasdon UK	03/28	Street Cleaner Barrow	951.07	190.21	1141.28
K Bird	03/28	Notice board installation and disposal of old one	470.00		470.00
Viking	02/02	Paper, printer ink and labels	83.45	16.69	100.14
AB	03/23	Removal of compost heap at allotments	60.00		60.00
Top link	03/23	Fencing repairs - Allotments	29.17	5.83	35.00
J Hart	03/25	Toilet cleaner and envelopes	5.09	1.01	6.10
AW	03/20	Toilets Cleaning – Sept/Oct	72.00		72.00
Greenbarnes	03/28	Additional keys for notice board	10.78	2.15	12.93
PKF Littlejohn	02/09	External Audit fees	300.00	60.00	360.00
J Hart	03/28	Bulky waste collection – clock tower	45.00		45.00
West Suffolk Council	various	Annual Grass Cutting charges	4902.33	980.47	5882.80
PWLB	02/13	Loan repayment	10064.91		10064.91
Hillcrest	03/28	Winter pansies for Village tubs	71.25	16.25	87.50
HMRC	02/01	PAYE Quarter 2	466.10		466.10
Staff Salaries - Sept	various	Clerk/street cleaner/litter picker	1159.15		1159.15
Staff salaries - Oct	various	Clerk/street cleaner/litter picker	1431.95		1431.95
RECEIPTS					
Lloyds Bank	01/39	Interest - Aug	3.45		
West Suffolk DC	01/41	Recycling Credit Q3 & 4 21-22	1511.46		
Lloyds Bank	01/39	Interest - Sept	4.18		

12. Correspondence from SALC, NALC, District and County Councils and Police

- a. Community Chest Funding opportunities – WSDC. Fund has now closed
- b. Suffolk Police – Public meeting dates. Noted
- c. Suffolk Climate Action Community Match funding. Noted

13. Other Correspondence

- a. LS – Parking outside Stanton Primary School – After discussion it was agreed that a working party needed to be formed to discuss parking situations in the village, not only outside the school, but in The Chase, and other areas of the village, Chair to lead.
- b. Invitation to Citizens Advice AGM - Noted

Minutes signed as correct