

## MINUTES of the Meeting of Stanton Parish Council held on 13 April 2017 at Stanton Community Village Hall at 7.00pm.

**Present:** K McDonald (Chairman), B Brown, L Morris, J Mann, N Chapman, J Frizzell, F Hart, S Willcox.

**Also Present:** County Cllr Joanna Spicer, Borough Cllr Jim Thorndyke

- 1. Apologies for absence:** Cllr Smithson and Cllr Miller accepted. No apologies received from Cllr Scowcroft – not accepted
- 2. To read, consider and approve the minutes of the previous meeting:** The minutes of the meeting on 9 March 2017 were approved by Cllr Hart and seconded by Cllr Chapman.
- 3. Public Forum:** A resident attended in relation to an application for a memorial in the Cemetery – (Agenda item 8d brought forward with the permission of the Chairman). Cllr Hart reported on behalf of the Cemetery working party that the proposal was acceptable and the recommendation was to approve the application. All in favour.

A resident raised the issue of the crossing at the new school site being very dark due to insufficient lighting. Cllr Spicer was present and agreed to look into the matter.

#### **4. Report from:**

##### **a. S C Cllr J Spicer**

- There have been some changes to the bus timetable to benefit residents at Shepherds Grove Park which will improve the situation.
- Abbey Homes site. Has met with Samantha Bye from Highways. There are some issues with the road surface and the estate has not yet been adopted. Cllr Brown raised the condition of the play area and said that it was a disgrace and needed to be inspected as an urgent safety issue. Clerk will forward details of play area inspector for Cllr Brown to contact.
- Street lights at Hilltop have been looked at. There is adequate lighting for the footpaths but leaves some vehicle parking areas in darkness. It may be possible to mount an additional light on the post and the street lighting officer is looking into it and will liaise with Cllr Chapman.
- The planning application for the old school site has not yet been published but is expected to be ready in the next few weeks.
- The request for a 20mph limit in Duke Street has been considered but would be unlikely to be granted.
- There has been an application for a pharmacy in the village at The Chase. There may be an impact on residents from the Ixworth surgery collecting prescriptions. Clerk to make further enquiries.
- A provisional meeting has been arranged for the Grundle at 9am on 8 May 2017.

##### **b. B Cllr J Thorndyke**

- The Parish Forum is being held at Ixworth on 24 April with presentations on standards, funding opportunities and the Bury master plan.
- The application for a pharmacy at The Chase is causing some concern in relation to prescriptions for residents attending Ixworth surgery. The issue is complicated and needs some clarification.

##### **c. Police report and Crime stats – Jan 17. (Info from [www.police.uk/suffolk](http://www.police.uk/suffolk))**

1. George Hill - Theft. Under investigation.
2. Duke Street – Violence offence. Under Investigation.
3. Bury Lane - Burglary. Under investigation
4. 2 offences Hepworth Road – Anti social behaviour. No further details reported
5. Field Way – Criminal Damage. Investigation complete. No suspect identified.
6. Field Way – Violence offence. Under investigation.
7. Sturgeons Way – Anti Social behaviour. No further details reported.

5. **Clerk's Report:** Matters arising from minutes of meeting 9 March not reported elsewhere –
- 8a **The memorial** for Mr. and Mrs. Bradley has been erected in the new Cemetery.
  - 9a **Play Area Inspection Reports** – Weekly check forms circulated to Play area working party. Liaison with Sutcliffes re broken piece of equipment and request for site meeting to discuss surface erosion.
  - 9b **Public Space Protection Orders** Application returned to SEBC.
  - 9d **New Street naming** for Rose and Crown development reported back to Council
- Website** Training undertaken and basic website created <http://stanton.suffolk.cloud>
5. **Declarations of Interest:** There were no declarations of interest in items on the Agenda
6. **Statutory Business/Governance** – the following policies were considered and adopted
- a. Complaints Policy
  - b. Information Security Policy
  - c. Data Protection Policy
  - d. Recruitment Policy
7. **Matters for discussion:**
- a. **SID progress and memorandum of understanding** Cllr Frizzell reported that the SID has now been ordered. The posts are in place with the exception of the one at Hepworth Road. Now needs a memorandum of understanding to be agreed by Suffolk County Council. Only one site will need two persons to install the equipment. All others have been risk assessed as one person sites. Clerk to progress with SCC.
  - b. **Defibrillator research** Clerk has circulated initial research. Cllr Willcox and Cllr Chapman will now progress the issue and prepare a proposal.
  - c. **Beacon Research** Clerk has circulated initial research. Cllr Hart and Cllr McDonald will now progress the issue and prepare a proposal
  - d. **Saxon memorials application for memorial and work in Cemetery** - covered in public forum
  - e. **Young families clubs/events** Cllr Willcox raised the issue of a lack of activities for young persons in the village. There are a lot of clubs for older people but nothing for youngsters. Councillors agreed and noted that a Scout Group, Brownies, Youth Club, disco dancing and Martial Arts had all been available in the past but all folded due to lack of adult support. It was felt that all the necessary checks seem to be putting people off starting up activities. All agreed that a promotion be made via Social Media and the Steamer to gauge interest and attempt to get things up and running. Cllr Willcox is happy to co-ordinate. Clerk to promote.
8. **Recreation Ground & Car Park:**
- a. **Teen Shelter painting** Cllr Hart suggested that the teen shelter might benefit from some 'street art' done by local teenagers which will avoid graffiti. He will make some enquiries with local teenagers to see what can be done.
9. **Community Recognition Awards** Nominations for three Stanton residents were circulated and agreed and will be presented at the Annual Parish Meeting on 25 May. Clerk to write to recipients and arrange certificates with Stanton framing
10. **Accounts**
- a. The accounts were approved by Cllr Mann and seconded by Cllr Chapman

PAYMENTS	£GROSS	£VAT	£NET	WHAT FOR	EXP.POWER
Talk talk (Mar)	20.66	3.44	17.22	Monthly Internet and phone charges	LGA 1972 S111
All Saints PCC	13.96		13.96	Water bill Churchyard	LGA 1972 S214
Vertas	2249.10	374.85	1874.25	Grass Cutting 16/17 Quarter 4	Open spaces Act 1906, ss9 and 10
Browns Tree Service	324.00	54.00	270.00	Tree works Recreation Ground	Open spaces Act 1906, ss9 and 10
Westcotec Limited	4110.00	685.00	3425.00	Speed Indicator Device and brackets	Local Gvt and rating Act Act 1997 ss26-29
Command Pest Control	336.00	56.00	280.00	Mole treatment recreation ground	Open spaces Act 1906, ss9 and 10
Gillian Miller	90.00		90.00	Toilet cleaning	Public Health Act 1936, s87
SALC	30.00	5.00	25.00	Website training - Clerk	LGA 1972, S142
DYNO	231.60	38.60	193.00	Blocked sewer - Recreation ground	Public Health Act 1936, s87
Tripp Batt	39.16	6.53	32.63	Notice board renovation	LGA 1972 S111
Anglian Water	5.00		5.00	Water charges pumping station	LGA 1972 S111
EON	17.00	0.85	16.15	Monthly electricity floodlights	LGA 1972 S111
EON	16.00	0.80	15.20	Monthly electricity pumphouse	LGA 1972 S111
Suffolkbiz	150.00		150.00	Website hosting 17/18	LGA 1972, S142
Screwfix	28.42	4.73	23.69	Teen shelter painting	Public Health Act 1936, s87
PWLB	10064.91		10064.91	Loan payment	LGA 2003, sched 1, para 2
Staff salaries	852.30		852.30	Clerk and street cleaner	LGA 1972 S112
<b>RECEIPTS</b>					
Stanton Village Hall			224.38	Village Hall water	

## 11. Items for noting

- a. Local Councillor Publication - noted

## 12. Correspondence from Borough and County Councils

- a. **Play Area Inspection Reports – Mar 2017** the Clerk is liaising with Sutcliffes over a broken piece of equipment
- b. **Temp Road Closure – Chare Road** Noted
- c. **Notification of temporary traffic order A143 from 8/5/17 to 10/5/17.** Overnight closure - Noted

## 13. Planning Applications:

- a. **New Applications received**

DC/17/0267/HPA | Application for Householder Prior Approval - Single storey rear extension which extends beyond the rear wall of the original house by 3.5 metres with a maximum height of 3.6 metres and a height of 2.4 metres to the eaves | 14 Sturgeon Way Stanton IP31 2ED (Mr William Kane)

**NO RESPONSE REQUIRED**

DC/17/0419/PMBPA | Prior Approval Application under Part 3 of the Town and Country Planning (General Permitted Development) (Amendment and Consequential Provisions) (England) Order 2015 - (i) Change of use of agricultural building to dwellinghouse (Class C3) to create 1 no. dwelling and associated operations | Barn At Hill Farm Barningham Road Stanton Bury St Edmunds Suffolk IP31 2D

**NO RESPONSE REQUIRED**

DC/17/0439/HH | Householder Planning Application - single storey side extension | 5 Coney Walk Stanton IP31 2XB (Mr Alan Ball)

**RESPONSE** This is not the first property in the area to extend and the proposal would appear to be in keeping with other properties in the area. There are no objections

DC/17/0471/FUL | Planning Application - (i) 1no. single garage (ii) 1no. double garage | 55-57 Shepherds Grove Park Stanton Bury St Edmunds Suffolk IP31 2AZ (Berkeley Homes)

**RESPONSE** There are no objections to this application.

DC/17/0494/TCA | Trees in a Conservation Area Notification - (i) 1no. Beech (T1 on plan) overall crown reduction by 30% and (ii) 1no. Walnut (T2 on plan) overall crown reduction by 30% | Beech Cottage The Street Stanton Bury St Edmunds Suffolk IP31 2DQ (David Brown)

**RESPONSE** This is the third application in a year to reduce or fell mature trees on this property in a conservation area and the result is now having a significant effect on the outlook of the area. This property has already had 4 elms and a blue cedar felled and crown reduced a pear tree. The Parish Council can see no reason for this to be reduced other than for aesthetic reasons and therefore object to any further loss or reduction of mature trees in this area.

DC/17/0614/FUL | Planning Application -Removal of existing 15m monopole and the installation of a replacement 15m monopole, the installation of 1No new and 1no. replacement equipment cabinets adjacent along with ancillary development thereto | Communication Site Bury Road Stanton Suffolk (EE Ltd)

**RESPONSE** The village welcomes any improvement to phone signals and there are no objections

DC/17/0671/TPO | Tree Preservation Order - 078 (1966) - T1 Birch - Fell | 2 Church Close Stanton IP31 2BY (Mr Jefferies)

**RESPONSE** As this would appear to be a badly pruned tree which is growing unevenly there are no objections to it being felled.

#### b. Previous applications

DC17-0049-TPO	2 Church Close	Consent	08/03/17
DC16-2800-FUL	2 Parkside	Granted	17/03/17
DC17-0142-TPO	Shepherds Grove Park	Consent	28/03/17
DC17-0150-HH	Ecclesbourne Cottage Duke Street	Granted	22/03/17
DC17-0067-HH	3 George Hill	Granted	28/03/17
DC17-0223-FUL	Clayside Dale Road	Granted	05/04/17

#### 14. Correspondence:

**a. Mobile Phone reception** – Mr Ian Shilling wrote to complain about the lack of mobile phone signal in the Village. He asked if the Council has discussed the issue and whether or not they may lend their weight to try and improve what could be an important health and safety matter for the village, as well as being a day to day inconvenience issue for residents, organisations and businesses alike. Chairman responded directly to Mr Shilling to advise of a new mast going up on the Telephone Exchange site in Duke Street which will hopefully improve mobile phone signals in the village. Council added their approval to the application in November 2016 and it was understood that the work will commence in mid June 2017 and will take up to a month.

**b. The Great get together** - noted

**c. 'Battles over' guide** – to be considered by the Beacon project

**d. Application for Pharmacy** – Stanton Surgery. Raised by CCllr Spicer and BCllr Thorndyke. Clerk making enqs into impact on residents from Ixworth surgery

The Meeting closed at 8.45pm

Minutes signed as correct..... K McDonald