

TOSTOCK PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD AT THE VILLAGE
HALL ON WEDNESDAY 12th JULY 2017

Present: Cllrs R Perks (Chairman), J Kearsley, D Blundell & Mrs C Debenham.
8 villagers

Apologies: Cllrs B Alexander, Mrs S Mansel & C Cllr Mrs J Storey

In opening the meeting, the Chairman proposed changing the order of the agenda due to the need for councillors and parishioners to fully debate a recently received planning application. This was unanimously agreed by councillors.

DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST - None

DISPENSATIONS - None

MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL PARISH COUNCIL MEETING 31st MAY 2017

It was proposed by Cllr Kearsley, seconded by Cllr Blundell that the minutes were a true and accurate record and signed accordingly. All in favour.

The meeting recessed for the next item

WRITTEN REPORTS

C Cllr Mrs J Storey- report attached covering the Chief Executive leaving and the recruitment process for a successor; Cabinet meeting 11th July; Highways transformation; roadworks.org initiative; 2017 Tour of Britain; Council meeting 20th July.

D Cllr Mrs S Mansel: report circulated covering Locality Budget award scheme; new Pre-application advice service; Housing Revenue account; New Joint Local Plan; Anti-Social Behaviour policy; Ward Boundary review.

Village Hall – nothing to report.

The meeting reconvened.

Chairman's report – nothing to report.

FINANCE

702 **Risk Assessment:** now completed and acceptance proposed by Cllr Perks, seconded by Cllr Mrs Debenham – all in favour. Copy to be forwarded to the Clerk for typing up.

718 **Signatories:** the Chairman confirmed that Cllr Kearsley was finally an accepted signatory by the bank. The Council now had three confirmed signatories. Remove this item from the agenda.

733 **Clerk's Contract** – ongoing.

743 **Standing/Financial Orders:** approval for both orders proposed by Cllr Kearsley, seconded by Cllr Perks – all in favour. Remove this item from the agenda.

744 **Cheques:** It was proposed by Cllr Kearsley, seconded by Cllr Perks that the following cheques issued for July be approved. All in favour.

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Chq/BACS

1251	Tomlinson (Inv. 189508/189951)	£ 114.56
1252	Litter Picker (June/July)	£ 97.50
1253	Clerk (expenses)	£ 47.00
1254	ICO (Data sub)	£ 35.00
1255	HMRC (tax)	£ 101.20
1256	Notice	£ 220.73
1257	Gipping Press (Magazine)	£ 166.52
1258	Haughley PC (cartridges)	£ 35.33
1259	Village Hall MC (Grant)	£1,708.54 ^{s144}
S/O	Personnel (June/July)	£ 267.62

Current A/c: £9,998.32 Income: (£796.78 VAT/wayleaves/interest/misc) Reserve A/c: £27,409.97

745 **Salary Review:** approval for the clerk's salary to be adjusted to SCP18 w.e.f. April 2017. Proposed by Cllr Kearsley, seconded by Cllr Blundell – all in favour.

746 **Banking authorization:** The parish council's bankers did not recognize the Clerk's requirement to have full working access to the parish council accounts unless she was a signatory. Cllr Kearsley proposed the necessary documentation should be completed with the bank. Seconded by Cllr Blundell – all in favour. Clerk to organize.

The Chairman then recessed the meeting for public participation

Public Forum: - Planning Application No. 0108/17 from SCC: Land adjacent to Junction of Beyton Road, Tostock.

PLANNING

02353/17 Appledores Farm, Church Road: Siting of a mobile home for use as a temporary rural workers dwelling. Erection of 3no. agricultural buildings and ancillary works.

Councillors saw no difference between this application and the previous one and the reasons given then remain valid. The buildings are unsuitable in character and design as well as scale for the purpose for which they are reportedly to serve.

PC comment: object (proposed by Cllr Kearsley, seconded by Cllr Mrs Debenham – all in favour)

0108/17 Suffolk County Council: Land adjacent to Junction of Beyton Road, Tostock.

PC comment: Having taken on board the comments expressed by villagers in the Public Forum, Councillors felt the need to request in their letter to SCC the following conditions to be included before registering they have no objection to the application.

- 1) That crushing all concrete or screening does not take place
- 2) That noise is kept to a minimum. The parish council does not believe a loud "bleeper" is necessary on a restricted site with few occupants.
- 3) HGVs – there should be a sign before HGVs leave the site indicating not to take routes through Tostock village.
- 4) Hours of Work – no HGVs on access site prior to 8.30 a.m.

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- 5) Flooding – there should be regular gulley emptying at the junction of New Road/Beyton Road as there is often standing water at this point during heavy rains

NORTON ROAD DEVELOPMENT – nothing has changed – there is no further information on the web. Parish Council waiting to receive revised plans.

PERKINS WAY – nothing to report. Parish Council waiting for further information requested.

VILLAGE MATTERS

Signs on the Green: sign now received but will require additional support . Cllr Blundell to organize and erect.

Further discussion followed regarding a recent incident of cars parking on the green but the meeting agreed to wait and see following the installation of the sign.

Phone Box: Clerk to provide information to Cllr Blundell as to the name of a contractor prepared to undertake repairs and refurbishment.

The Leys/WP proposals: The Willows have been removed but the stumps need to be ground out. Work ongoing.

The track on the Green and The Leys both needed refurbishing. Discussion followed on the most suitable materials to be used. The Chairman agreed to obtain three quotes for the work before councillors could agree the contractor for the work.

Gateway signage: ongoing.

Memorial Ms S Waitkins: No information currently received but the Parish Council agreed to make a suitable contribution when approached. Item to remain on the agenda.

TRAINING - Nothing to report.

ITEMS FOR THE CHRONICLE

Signs on The Green

Funding for Table and chairs for the Village Hall

New Dog Bins – colour and location (The Leys and end of Flatts Lane)

Gateway signage update

Tree work on The Leys

CORRESPONDENCE

Brochures for circulation

Local Government Boundary Review – circulated

Locality Funding availability

DATE OF NEXT MEETING - 23rd August 2017

Meeting closed at 9.32 p.m.

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