

TOSTOCK PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD IN THE VILLAGE HALL
ON WEDNESDAY 25th APRIL 2018

Present: Cllrs R Perks (Chairman), J Kearsley, D Blundell, N Cytacki & Mrs P Fletcher.
Mrs M Bottomley (Clerk)
6 villagers

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

Public Forum:

Having a Christmas tree on The Green and more bulbs on The Leys – Eva Da Re offered to raise funds by cake stall at village picnic.
Feeding ferrous cats near Village Hall
Request for purchase of new dog bin at Village Hall and PC to fund.

DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Cllr R Perks - Item 7 Finance /Village Hall

DISPENSATIONS – None

MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING 7th MARCH 2018

It was resolved that the minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on the 7th March 2018, were approved as a true and accurate record and signed accordingly. Proposed by Cllr Kearsley, seconded by Cllr Mrs Fletcher – all in favour.

MINUTES OF THE PLANNING MEETING 15th MARCH 2018

It was resolved that the minutes of the Planning meeting held on the 15th March 2018, were approved as a true and accurate record and signed accordingly. Proposed by Cllr Kearsley, seconded by Cllr Mrs Fletcher – all in favour.

WRITTEN REPORTS

C Cllr Mrs J Storey – written report for April previously circulated covering Potholes; funding for transport schemes to bring forward housing; Suffolk Waste Partnership award; Volunteers to help Suffolk get composting; Suffolk walking festival; OVO Energy Women’s Tour.

D Cllr Mrs S Mansel – report circulated covering Government consultation on Industrial Strategy; First Neighbourhood Plan in Mid Suffolk; New website; CIL payments; new Constitution.

The meeting reconvened.

REPORTS

Village Hall Committee – nothing to report.

Chairman’s report - Community Infrastructure Levy (CIL) – as a result of the Norton Rd development Parish Council has received £4,290.10,. A further payment 5 months after the start of work, of the same amount, will be received, PC will need to decide how the money is to be spent.

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FINANCE

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

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1265	M J Nunn (surface works	£3,648.00
1266	Litter Picker (April)	£ 50.90
1267	Clerk (expenses)	£ 65.90
1268	MSDC(inv.200002629 bins)	£210.00
1269	SALC (payroll)	£ 54.00
1270	SALC (subs)	£251.05
S/O	Clerk (April payment)	£130.19

Current A/C £7,792.29

Income: CIL £4,290.10

Reserve A/C £27,416.31

766 **Village Hall Grant:** The Chairman suggested making an annual grant to the village hall rather than keep approving individual requests throughout the year. He also mentioned that the parish council should consider having two representatives on the village hall committee.

767 **Accounts 2017/2018:** Accounts for the year ending 31st March 2018 had been circulated to all councillors and approval proposed by Cllr Kearsley, seconded by Cllr Perks. All in favour.

DATA PROTECTION – GDPR

Cllr Perks proposed LCPAS to act as the council's Data Protection Officer. Seconded by Cllr Kearsley – all in favour

PLANNING

Mike and Bee Bauley had written to the PC informing them that a field gate will be reinstated on the paddock adjacent to Maltsters. No planning permission required. Also that they have proposed two names for the road leading to the new aggregates yard, as a business address and postcode are required. The two names are 'Cindron Hills Road' and 'Old Woolpit Road'. Council had no objection to either, but preferred Old Woolpit Road. MSDC has final decision.

DC/18/00927 Planning Application Foresters, New Road. Conversion of bungalow into two separate dwellings with first floor extensions over. Erection of garage and removal of existing outbuilding. Granted

ANNUAL PARISH MEETING

The following matters were raised at the meeting on the 18th April 2018:-

Christmas tree on The Green - the Parish Council agreed to placing a Christmas Tree with lights on The Green. To include investigation of permanent power supply to The Green. Councillor Fletcher to investigate tree and lights. Thanks to Ms Eva Da Re for offer to raise funds for tree.

30 mph repeater sign Norton Road – this has been missing for sometime it has been reported, but not considered a priority. Villager suggested repeated letters to highways.

Norton Road Development - Discharge of Conditions for Application 4974/16- Conditions 3 (Landscaping Scheme) and 13 (Energy Strategy)planners had refused both these applications and requested resubmission with charges.

- The Village Hall had offered to permit 5 contractors' vehicles to be parked in car park. This had allowed Norton Road to remain clear of contractors vehicles. However this offer had been rescinded due to a greater

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number of vehicles subsequently being parked there. The villager considered this action to be rather severe and queried whether the Parish Council would take the matter up with the Village Hall.

Speed Indicator Display signs – it was considered that purchasing these signs would help to slow down traffic passing through the village. The approximate cost and operating requirements was explained by the Chairman and this matter would be placed on the agenda at the next meeting.

Trees, Norton Road -- Some trees were in a poor state due to the roots being continually under water or affected by subsequent icy conditions during recent weather. They may need removing as they were leaning over the road and concern expressed that they may fall on passing cars. Letter to land owner.

Feral cats - a shelter had been positioned near Village Hall and food put out by a villager. The need for this and other concerns were discussed and the Chairman agreed to make enquiries.

Flatts Lane surface water – Surface water drainage issues discussed. PC to request map showing ditches from SCC. Also letter to Mr Villars requesting confirmation that ditch adjacent to Norton Road is cleared for whole length.

VILLAGE MATTERS

- a) The Leys – tracks done
- b) Gateway signage – licence issued by SCC, gateways ordered, contractor informed
- c) Telephone box – redecoration scheduled for May
- d) dog bin for Village Hall – request to be submitted
- e) Request to be made for power cables to be laid under ground

ITEMS FOR THE CHRONICLE

Speed Indicator Displays volunteers required

Councillor vacancy

CORRESPONDENCE

Brochures for circulation

DATE OF NEXT MEETING - Annual Parish Council Meeting 30th May 2018.

The meeting closed at 9.15 p.m.

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