

**STONHAM PARVA PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD IN THE
BAPTIST CHAPEL SOCIAL ROOM ON MONDAY 8th SEPTEMBER 2014**

PRESENT: Cllrs Mrs B Pieterse (Vice Chairman), A Harvey, D Matthew, T Benjamin & Mrs M Bottomley (Clerk). C Cllr Matthew Hicks (arrived at 8.10 p.m.) & Police.

1 villager

APOLOGIES : Cllrs I Richardson & Mrs G Davison. D Cllr T Curran

<u>Public Forum:</u> - no matters were raised
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DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST - None

DISPENSATIONS - None

MINUTES OF PARISH COUNCIL MEETING 14.07.14

It was resolved that the minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on the 14th July 2014 were a true and accurate record and signed accordingly. Proposed by Cllr Matthew, seconded by Cllr Harvey - all in favour.

REPORTS -

C Cllr Hicks – report circulated covering apprenticeships shortage in the county, flu vaccination in schools, head teachers for Suffolk, children’s centre consultation, check your flue – part of chimney fire safety week.

Police - no crimes in the village since the last meeting. Pcs0 3013 Mark Tucker is now responsible for Stonham and is a replacement for Pcs0 Steve Johnson. Priorities are for school premises, speed enforcement and anti-social behaviour. Next meeting 6th October, Baptist Chapel at 7.40 p.m.

Footpaths - paths recently cut – nothing further to report.

Newsletter/Website - now up and running. Hope to get out a newsletter in January. Any information needed to be sent via e-mail. No decision reached regarding advertising on the website.

Cemetery – the hedge has been cut – nothing further to report.

Play Area - slide needed to be repaired. Cllrs Benjamin and Richardson kindly agreed to organise this. Discussion on suitable Health & Safety signage and it was agreed for the Clerk to obtain relevant information on wording required.

Neighbourhood Watch – Cllr Benjamin was continuing to look for suitable new signs and cost . Need to refresh existing signage.

Clerk - report circulated covering the Risk Assessment, the need to complete the Internal Control on a quarterly basis, complaint from villager regarding the play area.

PLANNING

The following application was considered and supported by councillors:-

2536/14 Granary Barn at Waltham Hall, Norwich Road: Continued use of land and barn for domestic equestrian purposes

2815/14 Granary Barn at Waltham Hall, Norwich Road: Erection of 3 bay cart lodge. Construction of swimming pool

STREET LIGHTS

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Cllr Richardson had reported a light in Church Lane not working and had liaised with the County Councillor/ SCC to carry out the necessary repairs which might be charged to the parish council as it was not owned by SCC. Matter ongoing.

ROAD REPAIRS

It had been reported that there were a number of pot holes in Church Lane and Highways had advised they were scheduled for repair.

FINANCE

3815 **Standing Orders:** defer to November meeting.

3817 **BDO Audit Report:** Circulated to all councillors. Minor issue raised that the grant should be shown separate to the precept. Conclusion of audit notice displayed on the notice boards.

3824 **Cheques:** It was proposed by Cllr Mrs Pieterse, seconded by Cllr Matthew and agreed unanimously that the following cheques be issued:-

<u>Chq No.</u>		
458	Baptist Chapel (room hire)	£ 8.00
459	Cancelled	
460	Clerk (expenses)	£135.81
461	I Richardson (litter bin)	£ 50.00
462	Post Office (tax)	£ 97.00
S/O	Personnel (August/September)	£261.84

Bank A/c: £9,245.48 Quarterly statement circulated.

3825 **Risk Assessment:** defer to next meeting

GLEBE ALLOTMENTS -

The Chairman had circulated a recent email providing further information on the number of plots that could be available. Currently there were 10 villagers who were possibly interested in renting a plot or half a plot. Details were also provided as to possible costs. Cllr Richardson was continuing discussions with the Agents.

VILLAGE MATTERS

Goal posts: the County Councillor may be able to assist with grant funding.

Signs: Cllr Mrs Davison agreed to contact planning at MSDC on the matter of signage in the village.

Play Area

Equipment: Councillors were considering renewing some of the equipment and grants were currently being researched.

Defibrillator: Ongoing

CORRESPONDENCE

Various brochures/leaflets

Play Area matter raised by villager from 1 Lambeth Way: the letter had been circulated to all councillors and following a brief discussion it was agreed the Clerk should draft and circulate councillors with a suitable proposed response.

DATE OF NEXT MEETING - 10th November 2014

There being no further business the Vice Chairman closed the meeting at 8.45 p.m..

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