

Stow Maries Parish Council

MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

HELD ON MONDAY 21st February 2022

in Smythe Hall, Church Lane at 7.30 p.m.

Cllr Cooper welcomed all those present. The meeting started at 7.30 p.m.

COUNCILLOR ATTENDEES AND OTHER ATTENDEES

Chairman: Councillor M Cooper
Members: Councillors:- Neil Gilmore, Simon Hollington, David Hopping & Debbie Driver.
District: Cllr Sue White
Essex CC CClr Jane Fleming
In attendance: Mrs Sarah Sayer – Parish Clerk/RFO
Members of Public: 3

21-22/121 APOLOGIES

No apologies.

21-22/122 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

a) No declarations were made at this point in the meeting.

21-22/123 MINUTES OF PREVIOUS PARISH COUNCIL MEETING – 17th January 2022

a) The minutes for the Parish Council meeting 17th January 2022 were agreed subject to the "Annual General" being removed from the heading. Prop: Cllr Cooper and Seconded: Cllr Hollington.

21-22/124 REPORT FROM DISTRICT COUNCILLOR

- Members of public can attend as long as taken a Covid Test
- Vegan market now at Promenade Park
- Grants for businesses - web address being forwarded to Clerk.
- Prom Park looking for new ideas for businesses that would work well.
- LDP out for consultation - organised meeting with highways hoping to do something with the roads.

21-22/125 REPORT FROM COUNTY COUNCILLOR

- Cllr Jane Fleming sent monthly update which has been circulated to all members and has been attached to the minutes for ease of reference.

21-22/126 QUESTIONS FROM THE PRESS AND PUBLIC

No questions were raised at this point.

21-22/127 PLANNING MATTERS

- a) Planning Applications:- None at the time of writing.
Planning correspondence received over the course of the month and circulated via e-mail:
- i) List of planning applications 3-7-/22 noted
 - ii) List of planning decisions and appeals 3-7/22 noted

Signed by the Chairman..... Dated 21st March 2021

- iii) Planning Decisions:-
LBC/MAL/21/01143 Stow Maries - Maintenance works to timber barn (re-staining existing cladding and painting existing roof tiles) and demolition of existing UPVC conservatory at Farmhouse. Wellinditch Farm Woodham Road Stow Maries Essex. (UPRN - 100091257362). Mr Simon Hollington. **GRANT LISTED BUILDING CONSENT** subject to various conditions NOTED
 - iv) Update from MDC Enforcement regarding Lawndale - REF: ENF368028390
 Owner requested what the enforcement was - Chair explained that it was due to a point of access. Owner says that no access has been denied and they are all aware of it. Owner stated if you have a problem knock on the door. There is going to be gate put on when the owner's children are out playing, due to a hit and run a few years ago. Owner states that they can still utilise as a turning point.
 - v) Update from MDC Enforcement regarding house owned by Moat and the parking problems/perceived business. REF: ENF368036501
 - vi) No update was available for Appeal Notification:-
 APP/X1545/W/21/3286092- Lawndale Church Lane Stow Maries reiterating the members concerns regarding this application/appeal. Owner not happy that others had been approved but not his. It was pointed out that the Parish Council are not the decision makers.
- c) **MALDON DISTRICT COUNCIL - LOCAL DEVELOPMENT PLANNING**
- i) A discussion took place regarding the sites that have been identified in the village and it was suggested that the part that refers to the village is section 12 and there are 7 options. The options were detailed by Cllr Cooper and confirmed that the map is just showing land availability at this point in time.
 District Councillors strongly stated that responses should be backed up with evidence so that the response can be justified. The call for sites is still open and it is a fluid document which is changing all the time. No consultation has been made with highways, so the red and green areas are not set in stone at the present time. Also try and mitigate some of the responses.
 It was stated that there is an infrastructure problem that already exists and all the new development will just make the situation worse. If Maldon DC does not deliver in regard to a 5 year land supply, the Government will step in and take over as has happened at Uttlesford.
 How many units are MDC trying to satisfy and how does that relate to the green highlighted areas - only some are needed going for the next 5/10/15 years period. Cllr Fleming will get figures for resident of the anticipated units required.
 There is a document giving an appraisal of each village. Clerk to look to ensure that the information logged for Stow Maries is correct.
 It was stated that Stow Maries Parish Council was generally against Option 5 and now it was to justify this position.
 It was decided to put together a leaflet to be dropped in resident's letter boxes for an open meeting to be confirmed once the hall has been booked.

In addition to the Parish Council response all residents are encouraged to make a response.

Call for sites has so far produced 200 sites which is way above what is needed.

Cllr White left at this point in the meeting.

Prior to the meeting a response to be drafted which can be used as a guide.

Cllr Fleming left at this point in the meeting after requesting if anyone had any questions to send by email to her.

- d) **CALL FOR SAND AND GRAVEL EXTRACTION SITES**
Members noted but not action to take.
- e) **CHELMSFORD CITY COUNCIL PLANNING DOCUMENTS CONSULTATION**
i) No update at the present time.
- f) **BRADWELL B**
i) No update available.
- g) **STOW MARIES GREAT WAR AERODROME**
i) No update at the present time.

21-22/128 HIGHWAY & PUBLIC RIGHTS OF WAY ISSUES

Members received updates on outstanding highways issues *and* there was an opportunity for members to raise any new highways issues and make decisions accordingly.

- a) Local Highways Panel no news and the minutes were not available. Clerk to keep checking and to circulate when available.
- b) Railway Way Bridge in Church Lane - no further news at this time.
- c) SWF Road Infrastructure – a meeting with John Whittingdale and Cllr Lee Scott confirmation of date awaited.
- d) A discussion took place regarding the damage that took place during the diversion when the bridge was being repaired, however, the verges have mostly recovered. Leave on the agenda and monitor.

21-22/129 FINANCE

- a) Members approved the payments and receipts for February 2022 - **AGREED.**
- b) The Chair signed off the bank reconciliation to the bank statements to the 31st January 2022. **AGREED** proposed by Cllr Hopping and Seconded by Cllr Neil Gilmore for both items a) & b.
- c) Bank Mandate - awaiting completed forms from a couple of members.

21-22/130 NEW WEBSITE

- a) Domain licence was renewed at £20.00. All going well.

21-22/131 PUBLIC TRANSPORT TRANSPORTATION - NOTED

21-22/132 GREAT BRITISH SPRING CLEAN 2022 - NOTED

21-22/133 HER MAJESTY'S PLATINUM JUBILEE - GREEN CANOPY PROJECT - NOTED

21-22/134 INFORMATION EXCHANGE AND ITEMS FOR THE NEXT MEETING
No comments.

21-22/135 DATE OF THE NEXT MEETING – Monday 21st March 2022 at 7.30 p.m.

**21-22/136 ALL BUSINESS HAVING BEEN TRANSACTED THE CHAIR THANKED EVERYONE
FOR ATTENDING & CLOSED THE MEETING AT 21-07pm.**