

Stow Maries Parish Council

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE PARISH

HELD ON MONDAY 20th February 2023

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

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

COUNCILLOR ATTENDEES AND OTHER ATTENDEES

Chairman: Acting Chair Cllr Neil Gilmore
Members: Councillors:- Debbie Driver & Adam Brown
District: DCllr Sue White
Essex CC Apologies sent
In attendance: Mrs Sarah Sayer – Parish Clerk/RFO
Members of Public: 0

22-23/089 APOLOGIES

Apologies Cllr Matt Cooper and Cllr David Hopping and County Councillor Jane Fleming who was in attendance elsewhere.

22-23/090 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

- a) No declarations of interest were made at this point in the meeting for any agenda items.

22-23/091 MINUTES OF PREVIOUS PARISH COUNCIL MEETING – 16-01-23

- a) The minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on 16th January 2023 were reviewed and approved. Proposed: Cllr Driver Seconded: Cllr Brown. **AGREED**

22-23/092 REPORT FROM DISTRICT COUNCILLOR

- Transport East meeting is a lobbying group and go to MP's to get funding for the main corridor A12/A13 etc. Question was raised by Cllr White what about Maldon District as they always completely by-pass the District.
- Devolution was also mentioned and the size of budget that our District was going to be given and answers were needed regarding the amount of work needed and what would be carried out.
- Discussion took place regarding the Bradwell B as it will help with jobs and cost of energy.
- Prom Park have the electric vehicle buggy to help with emissions and efficient.
- Market Hill is one of the highest polluted roads in Essex and MDC have been awarded £129,000 to install more sensors etc.
- Thames Barge Trust were awarded £19,600 for training.
- MDC has a coronation page Cllr White to forward to Clerk
- Mention of the Area Planning Committees which were saved again by one vote.
- Contentious point raised about having to book in before attending the recycling centre and all the various changes in rules that have occurred and not made very clear to the members of the public. You can not go twice in one day, you have to book another appt.
- Vote of thanks given to Cllr White for attending.

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22-23/093 REPORT FROM COUNTY COUNCILLOR

- Written report has been sent by Cllr Fleming and was circulated to members and placed on the website.

22-23/094 QUESTIONS FROM THE PRESS AND PUBLIC

An opportunity for members of the public to speak and raise issues.

No members of the public present.

22-23/095 PLANNING MATTERS

- i) Application No: 23/00027/HOUSE PP-11839874
Proposal: Proposed attached cart lodge.
Location: All Saints Woodham Road Stow Maries Essex.
Deadline date: 14th February 2023 - in the absence of any communication from the public, Members dealt with under delegate powers and had no objections.
- ii) Application: 22/01184/OUT PP-11717873
Proposal: 3 new proposed residential dwellings
Location: Land Adjacent The Owls Woodham Road Stow Maries Essex
Deadline date: 13th February 2023 - in the absence of any communication from the members of the public, Members dealt with this application under delegated powers and recommended refusal of this application in it's current guise.
- iii) Planning correspondence received over the course of the month and circulated via e-mail:
 - a) List of planning applications 3-7 were noted.
 - b) List of planning decisions and appeals 3-7 were noted.
 - c) Planning Decisions:- None at the time of writing.
- iv) **MALDON DISTRICT COUNCIL - LOCAL DEVELOPMENT PLANNING**
 - i) It is understood that discussions have resumed and are ongoing.
- v) **BRADWELL B**
 - i)
- vi) **STOW MARIES GREAT WAR AERODROME**
 - i) No news at the time of the meeting. Cllr Gilmore to email to ascertain details of the next meeting.
 - ii) No news regarding the signs to be requested in Crows Lane.

22-23/096 HIGHWAY & PUBLIC RIGHTS OF WAY ISSUES

- a) **Local Highways Panel & Speed Management Strategy Review - no news awaiting information pertaining to the SMS Review before progress can be made therefore not current Agenda item. Item being monitored.**
- b) **Railway Way Bridge Repairs** - no further news from last meeting.
- c) **Wellingditch Bridge** - It was confirmed by the engineer that there has been no movement since November 2019. Clerk and Cllr Hopping attended the meeting

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and MDC Planning are making a decision as to whether planning was required for the work already carried out.

d) **United Dengie Councils (UDC)**

Clerk stated that Chelmsford have approved the planning application and UDC and WIG (Woodham Infrastructure Group) have just got a report from SCP regarding the approve and there are options available. Also John Whittingdale has called into the Secretary of State. New cheque written to Douglas Green as he paid the entire invoice so Stow Maries PC paying him rather than SCP.

22-23/097 FINANCE

- a) Members reviewed and approved the payments and receipts for February 2023 & Cllr Gilmore proposed and seconded by all members present agreed.
- b) The bank reconciliation to 31st January 2023 was signed off to the bank statements. Proposed: Cllr Gilmore and Seconded by all members present. **AGREED.**
- c) No update re mandate for Barclays clerk to chase. Clerk suspicious about an email received and worried it maybe a scam and querying.

22-23/098 INFORMATION EXCHANGE AND ITEMS FOR THE NEXT MEETING

Election briefing - clerk attending and email from Clair Hawken giving info where papers can be downloaded from.

22-23/099 WEBSITE

- a) Clerk to finalise the information regarding the total cost of the website and will present at the next meeting.
- b) Clerk stated that she managed to reduce 11 pages.
- c) Members decided not to pay the extra £35.00 for cookiebot and continue to reduce the pages.

22-23/100 DATE OF THE NEXT MEETING – Monday 20th March 2023 at 7.30 p.m.

Cllr Gilmore stated that he sends his apologies for April 2023 and September 2023.

22-23/101 ALL BUSINESS HAVING BEEN TRANSACTED THE VICE CHAIR THANKED EVERYONE FOR ATTENDING AND CLOSES THE MEETING TO MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC & PRESS at 20.24 p.m.