

# Stow Maries Parish Council

## MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE PARISH

HELD ON MONDAY 19th June 2023

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

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

### COUNCILLOR ATTENDEES AND OTHER ATTENDEES

**Chairman:** Cllr Matt Cooper  
**Members:** Councillors:- Neil Gilmore, David Hopping, Debbie Driver & Adam Brown  
**District:** Cllr Sue White  
**Essex CC** Apologies sent  
**In attendance:** Mrs Sarah Sayer  
**Members of Public:** 0

### 23-4/031 APOLOGIES

- a) County Cllr Jane Fleming & Cllr L Wiffen

### 23-4/032 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

- a) None received at this point in the meeting  
b) It was noted that all members have updated their register of interests on the Maldon District Council website.

### 23-4/033 MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

- a) The minutes of the Annual General Meeting held on 15th May 2023 were approved. Prop: Cllr Cooper and Seconded by Cllr Driver and signed by the Chair.  
**AGREED**

### 23-4/034 REPORT FROM DISTRICT COUNCILLOR

Cllr White informed the members that Maldon District Council was back to business as normal after the election.

An email has been sent to the Transport East Lobbying Group regarding the desperately bad condition of the roads and concerned that our area is getting passed by and repairs should be done on a need basis.

The Local Development Plan has been put on hold for the time being to reassess. It is now supposed that there is possibly a 6.5 year land supply but this is being recalculated.

It was stated that MDC are open to engaging on a regular basis and the Parish Council can have input on the LDP.

If Bradwell B goes ahead that is the time to push for infrastructure.

Also looking for Brownfield sites rather than Agricultural sites and this land is being productive.

Chair gave Cllr White a vote of thanks for attending and updating the members.

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Signed by the Chairman.....  
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**23-4/035 REPORT FROM COUNTY COUNCILLOR** - no report available.

**23-4/036 QUESTIONS FROM THE PRESS AND PUBLIC** - no members present.

### **23-4/037 PLANNING MATTERS**

- a) No planning applications to be reviewed.
- b) **Planning correspondence:-**
  - i) List of Planning applications were duly noted (Wk20-24).
  - ii) List of Planning decisions were duly noted (Wk20-24).
  - iii) No planning decisions for Stow Maries Parish Council.
- c) **Maldon District Council Local Development Plan (LDP)**
  - i) No update available
- d) **Bradwell B**
  - i) No update available
- e) **Stow Maries Great War Aerodrome**
  - i) Cllr Neil Gilmore gave a brief summary of the latest meeting.
    - SMGWA made a loss last year
    - No complaints from residents had been received.
    - Access question was raised on events days.
    - Cllr Gilmore to circulate the minutes of the last meeting.

### **23-4/038 HIGHWAY AND PUBLIC RIGHTS OF WAY**

- a) Railway Bridge Repairs and resurfacing of Church Lane - no update available.
- b) No update available regarding United Dengie Councils & the SWF Road infrastructure.

### **23-4/039 FINANCE**

- a) Members reviewed and approved the finances for May and June 2023.  
Proposed: Cllr David Hopping Seconded: Cllr Matt Cooper. **AGREED**
- b) Members reviewed and approved the Annual Governance & Accountability Return (AGAR) for the year ending 31st March 2023 together with the Internal Auditors Report.  
Proposed: Cllr Matt Cooper Seconded: Cllr David Hopping - **AGREED**

### **23-4/040 ANNUAL INSURANCE POLICY**

- a) Members noted that the Clerk had circulated an email detailing the Annual Insurance Information.

### **23-4/041 WEBSITE**

- a) No update available.

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- 23-4/042**      **INFORMATION EXCHANGE AND ITEMS FOR THE NEXT MEETING**  
Hedge needs cutting from the Prince of Wales Public House up to Hagg Hill.  
Clerk to write landowner.
- 23-4/043**      **DATE OF THE NEXT MEETING - MONDAY 17th July 2023 AT 7.30 P.M.**
- 23-4/044**      **ALL BUSINESS HAVING BEEN TRANSACTED THE CHAIR THANKS EVERYONE  
FOR ATTENDING AND CLOSED THE MEETING at 8.30 p.m.**

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Signed by the Chairman.....  
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