

**STRATTON STRAWLESS PARISH**  
**MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON**  
**12 FEBRUARY 2018 AT BURROUGHES HALL, PARISH ROAD**

**Present:**

Cllr L Drake (Chairman)  
Cllr C Chamberlin  
Cllr T Dann  
Cllr W Farrow  
Cllr J Sayer  
V Powell (Clerk)

**In attendance:**

District Cllr P Carrick

**Parishioners: 3**

**108 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

Apologies were received from County Cllr D Roper and Cllr G Chamberlin.

**109 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST AND DISPENSATION REQUESTS**

None received.

**110 MINUTES**

The minutes were agreed by all and signed by the Chairman as a true record.

**111 MATTERS ARISING FROM THE PREVIOUS MINUTES NOT ON THE AGENDA**

None received.

**112 DISTRICT COUNCILLORS REPORT**

Cllr P Carrick noted that BDC would be increasing Council Tax, with a Band D property now paying £116, a £5 increase. BDC were looking towards collaborative working with South Norfolk District Council to both improve services and save money. Following the retirement of the Head of Planning at South Norfolk, BDC Head of Planning had taken on the role for both authorities.

**113 COUNTY COUNCILLORS REPORT**

The Clerk read the following note in Cllr D Ropers absence;

*The budget will have been passed on Monday. One piece of very good news is that all proposed cuts to rural bus subsidies and road gritting have been removed. Levi and I put the case for Stratton Strawless at the EDT Committee with regard to the Cromer Road, at first the response was negative but the Chair of EDT has agreed to visit to take a look. Our neighbours in Hevingham have had a little bit more success in that a reduction has been agreed for them through the most built up part of Cromer Road but not across the whole area of Hevingham and Marsham as was hoped.*

**114 POLICE REPORT**

For the period December 2017 there had been no recorded crime incidences.

**115 CLERKS REPORT**

The Clerk confirmed that BDC had received no requests for an election to fill the current casual vacancy. An item would be added to the March agenda to proceed with co option.

BDC will be holding a training event offering all parish and town councils the opportunity to get up to speed on the new General Data Protection Regulations coming into force in May 2018. The Clerk expressed an interest in attending. All agreed for the Clerk to attend.

**116 PUBLIC PARTICIPATION**

A member of the public spoke to provide further information on planning application 2018/0124. The security and out of hours service on site had recently become the responsibility of just one person. It was hoped that an additional manager on site would help to relieve managerial pressures. Following discussions with BDC the managers dwelling would be located opposite the PWBAC.

**117 PLANNING**

- i) 2018/0124 – Erection of detached dwelling and garage for use as 'Managers Dwelling' – The Hall, Woodland View – SUPPORT
- ii) 2018/0086 – Change of Use of part Community/Educational building to include Manager's accommodation and alterations to building – OBJECT

*District Councillor P Carrick and 3 members of the public left the meeting at 7:50pm*

### **118 OUTSTANDING ISSUES**

- i) No update had been received with regard to Mansom Plantation. The item would remain on the agenda.
- ii) The Clerk had contacted BDC Enforcement Team with regard to the scaffolding yard at The Glen, but was awaiting a response. The Chairman noted that unfavourable comments had been posted on the Above All Scaffolding social media page regarding the recent planning decision. The yard had also encroached onto land at The Laurels. The Clerk would report these matters to BDC.

### **119 SPEEDING A140**

Cllr L Drake had attended a meeting of the Environment Development and Transport Committee at NCC to speak on behalf of Stratton Strawless. A follow up meeting had been arranged with the Chair of EDT Committee, County Councillor Dan Roper and Cllr L Drake for 5 March 2018 to discuss the issues affecting the parish in more detail. It was noted that following the completion of the NDR at Horsford, the volume of traffic through the parish had increased.

### **120 LITTER IN THE VILLAGE**

Litter levels and incidences of fly tipping had increased in the parish. Cllr L Drake noted that he had reported an attempted fly tipping incident on Serpentine Lane to BDC. It was agreed that Cllr L Drake would contact BDC for a progress report on the case. During discussions it was noted that BDC would only litter pick up to the highway boundary, which was narrow in many cases in the parish. Any community lead litter pick would need to consider the width of the verge or pavements, and it would be essential that volunteers were visible to road users. A risk assessment and public liability insurance would also be required. Following a query from Cllr J Sayer the Clerk noted that she no longer received notifications from the NCC rangers team. It was agreed that the Clerk would contact BDC and NCC with regard to litter levels in the parish.

### **121 FINANCE**

- i) The following accounts were presented for payment and were approved
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| Mrs V Powell (Expenses)                      | £15.72  |
| F C Hambling (Bus Shelter Cleaning)          | £40.00  |
| Stratton Strawless PCC (Grass cutting Grant) | £175.00 |

The Clerks standing order for December and January was paid on 5<sup>th</sup> of the month.  
The balance carried forward is £5,567.05

- ii) The Clerk presented further details and revised costs for improvement works to the disabled ramp at the Village Hall. Following discussions it was agreed to increase the donation to the Village Hall to £385.

### **122 CORRESPONDENCE**

A number of public drop in sessions were being held across the district to give people an opportunity to discuss and view the emerging Greater Norwich Local Plan. The consultation runs from 8 January to 15 March. Drop in session dates could be seen using the following link  
<http://www.greaternorwichgrowth.org.uk/planning/greater-norwich-local-plan/>

### **123 ITEMS FOR AGENDA OF NEXT MEETING**

Co-opton of new Councillor, Litter, Speeding

### **124 DATE OF NEXT MEETING**

The next meeting will be held on the 12<sup>th</sup> March 2018 at 7:30pm in Burroughes Hall in conjunction with the Annual Parish Meeting.

**The meeting closed at 8:15pm**