

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

**Present:**

Cllr L Drake (Chairman)  
Cllr C Chamberlin  
Cllr T Dann  
Cllr G Chamberlin  
Cllr W Farrow  
Cllr M Howard  
V Powell (Clerk)

**In attendance:**

County Cllr D Roper

**Parishioners: 0**

**057 (001)      APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

Apologies were received from Cllr J Sayer and District Councillor P Carrick.

**058 (002)      DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

None received.

**059 (003)      MINUTES**

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

**060 (004)      MATTERS ARISING FROM THE PREVIOUS MINUTES NOT ON THE AGENDA**

None received.

**061 (005)      POLICE REPORT**

For the period June 2018, there was 1 incidence of violence, and 1 incidence of other theft along Shortthorn Road. There were no crimes recorded for the month of July.

**062 (006)      CLERKS REPORT**

The Clerk had received notification of the proposed order to reduce the speed limit at Hevingham to 40mph. The deadline for comments was 2<sup>nd</sup> October. After discussions it was agreed that the Clerk would respond to NCC Highways with concerns that southbound vehicles would be required to slow down, accelerate and slow down within a small stretch of road. It was felt that a 50mph limit through Stratton Strawless and Hainford would be more appropriate.

Following the extremes in weather this year, BDC are looking to help parish councils draft an Emergency Plan. The plan would include key contacts and details of how they could help. It was agreed to contact BDC for further details.

**063 (007)      PUBLIC PARTICIPATION**

Cllr G Chamberlin noted that the footpath that leads from Woodman's Farm through to the A140 adjacent to Ellis Timber yard was impassible. In 2016 a NCC Highways officer had inspected the footpath at the Parish Road end, but to date no works had been carried out. Cllr G Chamberlin had approached the Norwich Fringe Project as owners of the path, to ask if it was possible for the organisation to clear the paths. Unfortunately there would be a charge for the service. The Clerk would contact the Norwich Fringe Project for further details. It was agreed that the Clerk would draft a letter to the landowner to look at repairing the footpath.

*County Councillor D Roper joined the meeting at 7:40pm*

**064 (008)      COUNTY COUNCILLORS REPORT**

County Cllr D Roper was made aware of an incident of fly tipping beneath the bridge, Parish Road immediately prior to the meeting. Details of the incident had been passed onto both NCC and BDC. DIY waste charges and fly tipping continue to be an issue, with a 25% increase in incidences of fly tipping across the County. BDC had seen a 45% increase during the month of June compared with figures from

the previous year. There had been an increase in the amount of waste suitable for the recycling centres being disposed of in household waste collections. Trips to recycling centres had also declined. Cuts to rural bus subsidies and mobile library services were still to be agreed, with proposals to cut mobile library services by 40%. The NDR continues to raise safety concerns. Results of NCC Highways monitoring of the NDR was due to be reported to full Council in September, but had been postponed. County Cllr D Roper proposed that rumble strips on approach roads to roundabouts, as well as better signage, and prompt repair to damaged signs would help resolve the current issues.

**065 (009) PLANNING**

- i) None received
- ii) Planning application 2018/0784 – Erection of detached dwelling and garage to use as 'Managers dwelling', Woodland View, had been refused by BDC.

It was noted that the roof of the port a cabin style structure at Mr Leveridges had been altered to a more permanent structure. The Clerk would report the changes to BDC.

**066 (010) OUTSTANDING ISSUES**

- i) The Clerk had received reports of possible digger training taking place at Mansom Plantation. The Clerk had reported the activity to BDC and was awaiting a reply.
- ii) The Clerk was awaiting a response from BDC with regard to the dismantling of the temporary steel structure at the The Glen. The Chairman noted that the owners were offering vehicles repairs. The Clerk would notify BDC.

**067 (011) PARISH PARTNERSHIP SCHEME**

The Clerk had met with a representative of Westcotec, NCC preferred suppliers of speed awareness signs on site at Shortthorn Road. A report was circulated. After discussions it was agreed to submit an application to the Parish Partnership Scheme for a SAM2 sign. County Cllr D Roper agreed to kindly donate £1,000 from his members allowance towards the project. The Clerk would liaise with NCC with regard to submitting an application for funding. Cllr D Roper noted that he would also be happy to contribute towards the purchase of pedestrians warning signs along the A140. The Clerk would investigate costings.

**068 (012) PARISH NOTICEBOARDS**

An inspection of the Parish Council noticeboards had been carried out by Cllr T Dann and the Clerk. Cllr T Dann noted that the boards were in a good condition, however it appeared that water had leaked through the seals and affected the fabric backing inside. It was agreed that Cllr T Dann, and Cllr M Howard would remove the boards during the December recess to undertake necessary repairs.

**069 (013) FINANCE**

- i) The following accounts were presented for payment and were approved
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| Mrs V Powell (Expenses)                           | £18.00 |
| Information Commissioner Office (Data Protection) | £40.00 |

The Clerks standing order for August and September were paid on 5<sup>th</sup> of the month.  
The balance carried forward is £6,626.72

**070 (014) CORRESPONDENCE**

None received.

**071 (015) ITEMS FOR AGENDA OF NEXT MEETING**

Parish Partnership Scheme, NCC Highways issues

**072 (016) DATE OF NEXT MEETING**

The next meeting will be held on 8<sup>th</sup> October 2018 at 7:30pm in Burroughes Hall.

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