

STRATTON STRAWLESS PARISH
MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON
10 AUGUST 2020 Via ZOOM

Present:

Cllr C Chamberlin (Chairman)
Cllr G Chamberlin
Cllr M Howard
Cllr W Farrow
Cllr A Johns
V Powell (Clerk)

In attendance:

Parishioners: 0

170 (001) APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Cllr T Dann, Cllr L Drake, District Cllr J Neesam, County Cllr D Roper
Cllr W Farrow joined the meeting at 7:40pm.

171 (002) DISPENSATIONS

It was agreed to grant Cllr T Dann dispensation from attendance at Parish Council meetings until January 2021 due COVID-19.

172 (003) MINUTES

The minutes were amended to include the following statement *"It was noted that the deer sign and footpath sign still required replacement"* The minutes numbering was corrected to include Item 10. The minutes were agreed.

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

The Clerk noted that she had sent an email of support to Haveringland Parish Council with regard to the development at Haveringland Country Park.

174 (005) COUNTY AND DISTRICT COUNCILLORS REPORT

None received.

175 (006) POLICE REPORT

During June there was 1 incident of violent crime at Eastons Coaches.

176 (007) CLERKS REPORT

The Clerk noted that the village hall were looking to reopen in September. The Clerk asked if the Parish Council wished to return to face to face meetings. Cllr G Chamberlin gave an overview of the intended precautions being put in place by the village hall committee. The Parish Council was awaiting details on how the hall would be cleaned. The Clerk would seek clarification on restrictions to numbers allowed in the hall, and public attendance at Parish Council meetings. After discussions it was agreed to review returning to meeting face at face at the September meeting, once details had been agreed by the village hall. The Clerk would liaise with the village hall committee.

The Clerk had received a letter from the road safety steward regarding an incident at the entrance at Botany Bay Farm. The letter was noted.

177 (008) PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

None received.

178 (009) OUTSTANDING ISSUES

i) The Clerk noted that she had contacted BDC but still not received a response and would be filing a compliant. The Planning Officer had spoken to District Cllr J Neesam, but had no further information. The Clerk would resend the email outlining the Parish Council concerns, which included opening times, and monitoring of the site.

ii) Cllr M Howard noted that the SAM2 sign was due to be turned around. No data was available for the previous month. The Clerk would contact the Police with regard to setting up a speed camera check along Shortthorn Road. It was discussed as to whether a weight restriction could be placed on the road. It was noted that a number of industries on Shortthorn Road used heavy vehicles. The Clerk would check on the community speed watch volunteers.

179 (010) PLANNING

- i) 2020/1365 - Removal of 100m long hedge alongside of ditch & replant on other side of ditch, Bridge Farm – OBJECT It was felt that the hedgerow was of importance to wildlife in the area. Cllr W Farrow would contact the Forestry Commission for further advice on hedgerow removals.

It was noted that a vehicle entrance had been made near Medlers scrapyard. The Clerk would report the matter to NCC Highways.

180 (011) FINANCE

- i) The following accounts were presented for payment and were approved
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| ICO (Data Protection) | £40.00 |
| Mr P Carrick (Internal Audit) | £50.00 |
| Mr F Hambling (Bus Shelter Cleaning) | £40.00 |
| Mrs V Powell (Expenses) | £18.00 |
| URM (UK) Ltd (Bottle Bank Emptying) | £28.80 |
| Came & Company (Insurance) | £40.83 |

The Clerks standing order was paid on 5th August

The balance carried forward is £6,677.75

- ii) The Internal Audit report was noted. The Clerk advised that due to gross income and expenditure figures falling below £25,000 the Council would be exempt from an external audit. It was agreed to apply for exemption. The Annual Governance Statement, and Accounting Statements were agreed.

181 (012) ITEMS FOR AGENDA OF NEXT MEETING

None received

182 (013) DATE OF NEXT MEETING

The next meeting will be held on 14 September 2020 at 7:30pm via Zoom.

The meeting closed at 8:20pm