

STRATTON STRAWLESS PARISH
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MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON
12 OCTOBER 2020 Via ZOOM

Present:

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

In attendance:

County Cllr D Roper
District Cllr J Neesam

Parishioners: 0

198 (001) APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Cllr T Dann

199 (002) DISPENSATIONS

None received.

200 (003) MINUTES

The minutes were agreed.

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

None received.

202 (005) DISTRICT COUNCILLORS REPORT

The service improvement committee had met and reported that there had been a number of complaints with regard to being able to contact BDC, as the majority of staff were now working from home. In some instances the telephone was being answered as South Norfolk. A new telephone system was being rolled out and improvements promised. BDC and SNDC had been helping with the response to the COVID-19 outbreak in Great Yarmouth. The GNLP was being pushed forward before proposed reforms to planning were to be introduced by central Government. Further consultation on the GNLP was due to take place at the end of the year. Cllr J Neesam reminded Councillors that she had access to a small grant of £500 which she can allocate each financial year and to let her know of any projects that would benefit from the funding. Following the September meeting Cllr J Neesam noted that she had not received a response from BDC with regard to the induct application at Mansom Plantation and had submitted a formal complaint to BDC. She had received an apology from BDC Head of Place regarding the slow response to the application.

203 (006) COUNTY COUNCILLORS REPORT

The Street would be closed from 13th October, with a diversion in place along the Shororthorn Road. There had been an increase in the number of COVID-19 cases reported in Great Yarmouth. Although first thought to be a workplace outbreak, cases were more widespread. However, the levels were still below the national average. The budget next year will see a 3.99% increase in Council tax, which will be on top of £35m of cuts. Cuts may increase to £50 million if funding is not received from central Government. NCC currently have a £15 million shortfall in the budget. There had been a drop in customer satisfaction recorded over recent months, with the public unable to get through due to changes in staff working arrangements. Work on the new recycling centre off the NDR was due to start in January 2021, with work on the new access road starting in four weeks. The centre is due to open in September 2021. The hazardous waste days were popular, with big queues at peak times. NCC were looking at the possibility of booked slots for 2021. The next stage of the NMWLP had been scheduled for December, with a pre-submission of potential sites. The number of these was likely to be reduced.

204 (007) POLICE REPORT

During August there was 1 incident of anti social behaviour, and 1 incident of theft at Eastons Coaches.

205 (008) CLERKS REPORT

The clerk noted that the mobile library service would be out and about again following COVID-19 closures, It would be in Hevingham on 22nd October. There would be a limit of 1 person (or 3 people per household) on the bus at any one time, a requirement to wear masks, and register for track and trace purposes.

206 (009) PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

None received.

207 (010) FLY TIPPING

There had been an increase in the number of fly tipping incidences in the parish, with the recycling banks at Woodland View being a favourite location for tipping. Several tyres had also been dumped along Parish Road. The Chairman had produced some signs to help deter those that were flying tipping, these would be placed at 'hot-spots' along Serpentine Lane, Parish Road and at the recycling banks. There were discussions on whether a camera, similar to a wildlife camera could be placed at key sites. Cllr M Howard would do some further research on costs. The Clerk would look to place an item in the Parish magazine asking residents to look out for people dumping waste.

208 (011) OUTSTANDING ISSUES

- i) The Clerk still had not received a response to the Induct planning application.
- ii) SAM2 results were unavailable for October. These would be reported at the November meeting. Cllr W Farrow noted that the Police speed-watch had been operating in the village. The Clerk was asked if any speed data would be available from the Police, she would investigate.

209 (012) PLANNING

- i) 2020/1630 Carpenters Cottage, Cromer Road – Creation of new vehicular access – SUPPORT

210 (013) FINANCE

- i) The following accounts were presented for payment and were approved
Mrs V Powell (Expenses) £9.00

The Clerks standing order was paid on 5th October

The balance carried forward is £6,050.73

211 (014) ITEMS FOR AGENDA OF NEXT MEETING

Fly tipping, Mansom Plantation, Speeding.

212 (015) DATE OF NEXT MEETING

The next meeting will be held on 9 November 2020 at 7:30pm via Zoom.

The meeting closed at 8:00pm