Minutes of ordinary meeting of Stamfordham Parish Council held on Thursday 30th September 2021 commencing at 730pm in Stamfordham Village Hall

Those Present Cllr E Trevelyan, Chairman

Cllrs Boylan, Lawson, Reynolds C Miller (Clerk), County Cllr V Jones

Two members of the public (part of the meeting)

1. Apologies for absence

There were no apologies for absence.

2. Co-Option Vacancies

It was resolved to co-opt C Reynolds onto the Council.

3. To confirm the Minutes of the meeting of the Parish Council held on 15th July 2021

It was resolved that the minutes of the previous meeting held on 15th July 2021 be accepted as a true record.

4. Matters arising from the Minutes, not otherwise on the Agenda

There were no matters arising from the minutes, not otherwise on the agenda.

5. Planning Matters

Applications received

- 21/03247/FUL: Windywalls Farm, Dalton Replacement domestic dwelling no objections.
- 21/03473/FUL: Orana, Hawkwell Proposed first floor extension to existing property no objections.
- 21/03467/FUL: Workshop North West of Oakfield Lodge, Eachwick conversion of redundant building to residential dwelling (self/custom build) no objections.

Applications approved

- 21/01616/FUL: Apperley House, Milbourne construction of orangery extension and glazed link to rear and new entrance porch to front elevation
- 21/01342/FUL: South Ouston Farm transfer a stand-alone biomass boiler from Henderson Lodge to South Ouston Farm for the drying of timber
- 21/01448/FUL: The COOP, Eachwick Retrospective, laying of hard standing, replacement of tool store and nursery materials, new security gates and willow screening
- 21/01936/FUL: 2 Jubilee Cottages single storey side extension
- 21/02087/LBC: Hawkwell Farm House replace kitchen units, cupboard doors and floor tiles with new units, cupboard doors and floor tiles no objections.
- 21/02055/CCD: Stamfordham Primary School installation of ground source heat pump system

Cricket Club advertisement

Advertisement still insitu, Clerk to forward previous concerns to County Council Planning Enforcement.

La Luna Farm development

No response had been received from Director of Planning, further to Parish Council concerns forwarded many months ago, with Clerk to once more re-contact R Murfin, DOP.

6. Parish Benches

Bench to be installed in due course.

7. Parish trees - tree in need of removal near to Village Hall

Village Hall Committee had contacted County Council who had confirmed they would be actioning the tree works. County Cllr reported the new Tree Officer had visited site and advised works would be actioned mid-October.

8. Cycling Events within the parish

Two events had been held last weekend - Team Trial and Cup race – leading to £2K secured for the Village Hall. However, traffic had not been controlled correctly and a competitor had been witnessed stripping and changing under a towel. One organiser had just announced they were visiting the village with no prior notice, however the Village Hall Committee had been contacted for permission to use the hall. Although events were publicised via local means, organisers should deliver information leaflets throughout the parish. S Tunmore to be invited to November PC meeting.

Financial Matters: Payments to authorise; Plexus Medial - Spanglefish – annual web-site hosting fee - £103.00;
Rospa playsafety – annual play area inspection – £283.20; C Miller – six month salary/expense - £596.84; HMRC – PAYE - £119.00; BROXAP, Seating - £537.60

It was resolved to approve the payments.

To receive grant acknowledgement from Sport Tynedale Grant acknowledgement received.

To review bank signatories

It was resolved to add I Lawson as a bank signatory.

10. Fence repair at village green/Bay Horse

It was resolved to seek written quotations for fence repair.

11. County Councillor Report

Community Speedwatch to re-commence; County Cllr had granted funding to the Village Hall and school; Covid cases were rising, however hospital admissions were not increasing; The Courant had contacted Historic England who had stated they had no objections to the proposals for traffic calming at Harlow Hill, and the matter was in the hands of the County Council, however this had been misleading and Historic England had meant they would be unlikely to refuse the application, however the application process was still to be actioned, with Historic England to have an archeologist on site. Police had advised they cannot send a camera van or carry out community speedwatch at Harlow Hill, but could request a reduction in the speed limit, however County Council would have to action any reduction, with County Cllr requesting the Parish Council add this to LTP 2022-2023. A resident had contacted Police & Crime Commissioner regarding speeding issues, a favourable response received, with County Cllr forwarding comments to Member of Parliament. Path at bridge now in a horrendous state, with L Boylan to contact County Council Officer and arrange a site meeting. There had been a recent problem with parking at school due to cars parking on both sides of the road, with bus driver unable to get through, however yellow lining of one side of the road could lead to further problems.

12.Speeding traffic concerns through Harlow Hill/installation of interactive speed camera Discussed above.

13. To receive annual play area Rospa inspection report

Report had raised some medium risk items, however it was felt no work was required at the present time. Clerk to forward monthly checklist of play area equipment to E Trevelyan.

14.To approve Local Transport Plan priorities for 2022-2023

It was resolved to request reduction in speed limit at Harlow Hill and action to improve parking problems within Stamfordham village.

15.Climate Action in Stamfordham

A parishioner had contacted the Parish Council regarding climate action. L Boylan had attended Climate Change zoom meeting hosted by G Sanderson, Leader of the County Council. It was resolved to consider further any action the Parish Council could take regarding Climate Change at the next Parish Council meeting.

16.To consider invite for County Council Cabinet Member to meet with Parish Council

There were no urgent matters at the present time.

17. Other business admitted by the Chairman as urgent

Free trees were available via the County Council web-site, with L Boylan to action. The Bay Horse, a Grade II Listed Building was falling into disrepair, with County Cllr to make enquiries as to what plans there are for the building, and speak to the County Archaeologist. Dalton Church would also benefit from an inspection, however there were difficulties with it being owned by the Church; the Parish Council web-site would benefit from some additional pictures, with E Boylan to forward photographs to Clerk to upload.

18.To confirm the date of the next meeting

The next meeting of Stamfordham Parish Council will be held on Thursday 25th November 2021 commencing 730pm in Stamfordham Village Hall.

The meeting closed at 850pm.