

STUTTON PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON MONDAY, 6TH NOVEMBER, 2006.

The Chairman opened the meeting at 7,30pm.

OPEN DISCUSSION

Mrs. Way said that she felt the prices charged to people attending the day centre at Oak House are excessive. Some people who are entitled to attend are unable to do so because of the charge. The Chairman said that as Housing 21 run Oak House as a business there is little the Parish Council can do except mentioning the situation to D/Clr David Wood.

Clr Watts thought that Catts Trust should be approached to help Stutton people.

POLICE REPORT Pc Garrod sent his report and apologized for not being able to attend the meeting. He reported several incidents where items had been taken from garages and sheds and he wished to remind people to lock up their belongings. Speed cameras are still in operation from time to time.

DISTRICT COUNCILLOR'S REPORT District Councillor Wood also sent his apologies for not being able to attend the meeting. However, he had reported that FIRST East Counties will cease to run a service on the Shotley Peninsula after 31st December, 2006. Suffolk County Council is working hard to find another operator to take over the service. He would keep the Parish Council updated on this.

APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE Ctrs Bales and Fishwick

MEMBERS PRESENT: Ctrs. Leach: Baxter: Kennell: Knight: Lusher: Watts and Wilson.

REGISTER OF INTERESTS: Nil

MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING were agreed and signed.

MATTERS ARISING all letters asked for in the minutes have been sent with the exception of Argent Manor. As no-one knows who is living there it was decided to send to the Occupier.

Highways will be dealing with the 'dent' in the road outside Lawlings.

CORRESPONDENCE

1. Robinson and Hall – redundant building survey.
2. SCC – Respite Services – Bramford
3. Countryside Alliance – look after your post office.

4. NHS – Holbrook Medical Supplies.
5. ECC Minerals Development Documents.
6. Ipswich & District Headway – donation? **Leave until February.**
7. Babergh Annual Meeting Hintlesham - **still no-one able to attend**
8. Babergh Abandoned & Nuisance Vehicles.
9. Suffolk Acre – Service evaluation.
10. St. Peter’s Church – thanks for donations.
11. Community Hall – emergency plan.

FOOTPATHS The hedge at Grove Cottage is overgrown –Stutton Close to Lower Street

HIGHWAYS The hedge needs cutting again opposite the School - Clerk to inform Highways.

LIGHTING Nil

PLAY AREA - The inspection has been carried out. The written report has not been received but it would appear that nothing urgent needs to be carried out.

Clrs. Lusher and Watts attended a Seminar at Southwold. They both found this very informative.

Although a letter has been sent and Clr Lusher has made numerous telephone calls to Suffolk County Council nothing has yet been heard regarding the lease. This must be for at least 10 years or it will be difficult to obtain any grants.

The Clerk to write again.

PLANNING

B/06/01808/FHA/MF. Mevagissey. Holbrook Road.

Erection of two-storey and single-storey side extensions and front porch.

A SITE MEETING WILL BE HELD AT 9.30AM AT SATURDAY.

Permission refused Stutton House – Erection of agricultural barn.

VILLAGE SHOP

Clr. Wilson reported on the shop plans in the absence of Clr. Fishwick.

The Business Plan drawn up by the steering committee has been circulated to all Councillors.

A Community Interest Company will be formed. The proposed shop will be run by the Community and money will be put back in to the Company.

A Portacabin will cost approximately £45,000 and must be secure. It is proposed that the shop will open 6 days from 8.45am to 12.45pm (not Sunday)

A shop keeper from Holbrook has an interest in running the shop but this would not be allowed on the Community Hall land as it is a Charity.

Clr. Wilson said it is inevitable that the Parish Council will be approached for money to which the Chairman replied saying that although he supports the project fully, money would not be available until there is a Village Plan and that could be anything up to 2 years.

It was suggested that shares could be sold.

The Chairman opened the meeting to the Public, Mrs. Potkins said that the shop was required socially as much as anything else. Mr. Cook said that he would not be willing to pay extra on his Council Tax for funding the shop.

Clr. Kennell felt that there needed to be more information before the Parish Council could make any decision.

A new survey should be carried out by the steering committee to see just who does support the shop and if it will be viable at the Community Hall

VILLAGE PLAN

Clr. Knight has worked hard to obtain the names of people who would agree to sit on the Village Plan Committee.

Clrs. Leach and Kennell will represent the Parish Council.

Clr. Knight is trying to find a date that will suit everyone.

ACCOUNTS

October

Stutton Community Hall	£30.00
P. Mitchell salary	£512.00
P.Lusher (flowers Mrs. Kemp)	£30.00
St. Peter's Church	£500.00
C. Leach (village plan meeting)	£34.60
Stutton Community Hall Precept	£500.00

November

Babergh (refuse)	£35.44
Lubbock Fine annual audit	£176.25
C. Leach injets	£30.00
Royal British Legion precept	£25. 00
G. Solomon Remembrance Wreath	£17.50
M. Keeble half yearly audit	£40. 00
Anglian Inspection Services (play area)	£70. 00

PARISH CLERK

Rik Bond has applied to take the position of Parish Clerk.

After an interview with the Council, Mr. Bond was offered the job and this was accepted by him. He will attend a Course on 22nd November if this can be arranged and he will take over as Clerk on the 4th December, 2006.