



STUTTON PARISH COUNCIL

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MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON MONDAY 3rd OCTOBER 2011

The Chairman welcomed everyone and opened the meeting at 7.30 pm.

ACTION

OPEN DISCUSSION:

There will be a Green Energy open meeting at the Community Hall on 24th October at 7.30pm.

The annual beach clean was attended by 28 people and collected 130kg of rubbish.

POLICE REPORT:

1 Crime in September – theft from motor vehicle at Stutton Green.

There has been a slight increase in crime on the peninsula, partly due to the nights pulling in.

Colin Curtis is the new Sergeant for our area.

DISTRICT COUNCILLOR'S REPORT:

David Wood wished to amend his report given at the last meeting – Oak House has flats to let only. Dove Close, Capel offers properties with part ownership. Chelmo. Recycling centre usage has been poor so far and is not yet at break even.

Take up of the Buzabout evening service has also been slow.

David may be able to offer finance towards the Manningtree Rd footpath, subject to demands from other parishes.

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Cllrs Leach, Watts, Wilson, Pereira, Kennell, Lusher, Baxter, Fishwick, Rayner.

IN ATTENDANCE:

John Wesley – Clerk. District Councillors David Wood, Trot Ward, PC Gary Austin, PCSO Jo Adams, 5 members of the public.

170/PC/11 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE:

None

171/PC/11 REGISTER OF INTERESTS:

Cllrs. Carl Baxter & Leslie Rayner – Gardeners Arms Footpath 178/PC/11

172/PC/11 TO APPROVE MINUTES OF LAST MEETING:

Signed by the Chairman as a true record.

173/PC/11 MATTERS ARISING:

Nigel Watts has met with the PCC regarding Stutton Green.

The owner of Stutton House has agreed to a meeting with the PCC but so far there has been no offer to fix a date.

174/PC/11 CORRESPONDENCE:

Police - Safer neighbourhoods report (circ)
Holbrook PC – Support for mobile phone initiative
Lesley Rayner – Support from Seals & school PTA for Jubilee party (circ)
Fran Flower – Support from Community Council for jubilee party (circ)
SALC – AGM invitation 7.11.11, Henley Community Centre (circ)
Babergh – Notice of winter coppicing programme at Stutton Close circ)
Babergh – Core strategy meeting dates (circ)
Suffolk CC – Budget Challenge consultation survey (circ)
Babergh/Mid Suffolk - Budget Challenge consultation survey (circ)
Suffolk CC – Mobile Libraries consultation survey (circ)
David Wood – Parish report (circ)
SALC – Consutation on new constitution (circ)
Babergh – Community Achievements Award nomination form (circ)
Babergh/Mid Suffolk – Queens Diamond Jubilee – Beacons (circ)

175/PC/11 FOOTPATHS:

Nothing to report.

176/PC/11 LIGHTING:

Clerk to check situation regarding reduced timings for street lights in the village. Clerk

177/PC/11 HIGHWAYS:

An elderly gentleman suffered a fall on the pavement at Alton Hall Lane/
Manningtree Rd. There is a dip in the path and the kerb has sunk.
Clerk to report to SCC Highways Clerk

178/PC/11 GARDENERS ARMS FOOTPATH:

The proposals from Suffolk County Council were discussed.
A basic footpath could be fitted from the pub through to Pond Cottages at an
estimated cost of £3550. An additional £700 would include warning signs sited at
both approaches to the bend.
David Wood has indicated he may be able to fund the path if the Parish Council
will pay for the signs.
It was agreed at the meeting that this would be affordable and Julia Proctor
should be contacted to progress the project further. Clerk

179/PC/11 PLANNING:

Considerations:

B/11/01040/LBC – Tudor Cottage, Lower Street, Stutton

Application for listed building consent – Installation of solar voltaic panels on
south facing roof.

Decision: Recommend approval, as the solar panels will be on a south facing
roof and will not be visible from the road.

B/11/01047/FHA – Stutton House, Church Field Road, Stutton

Erection of stable building to provide 12 stables together with associated tack,
workshop, stores and field shelter together with new access drive and path.

Decision: Recommend approval provided that the building will not be used for
commercial purposes or accommodation. There are concerns regarding the
scale of developments being carried out at the site.

B/11/01102/FHA – Markwells Barn, Church Field Road, Stutton

Decision: Recommend approval with no further comments

Application withdrawn: B/11/00838/FHA – Abbotsfield, Holbrook Rd, Stutton
Appeal dismissed: B/10/01076/FUL – Land East of Ambermere, Alton Hall Lane,

180/PC/11 PLAY AREA:

The annual inspection has been completed. The equipment is ok but it was recommended that the angle iron holding some fence posts should be removed. This would be for the school and Suffolk County Council to resolve. The Chairman thanked Cllr. Lusher for his efforts in keeping the play area maintained.

181/PC/11 AFFORDABLE HOUSING:

Clerk has spoken to Louise Wilby, who says she will have the final report ready by the middle of October. Hard copies will be made available to the P.C. Louise has offered to attend the next P.C. meeting to present the report. Clerk to confirm.

Clerk

182/PC/11 SPEEDWATCH:

Gary Austin is hoping to get things moving by end October/early November. He will email details shortly and is aware that Stutton and Bentley wish to make this a joint venture. 1 person has dropped out from the original group of volunteers. A replacement is being sought.

183/PC/11 COMMUNITY HALL :

Shrubs have been planted and grass re-seeded around the edge of the car park. More usage of the hall is planned with Zumba & Yoga classes and film nights. AGM and quiz nights in November.

184/PC/11 CONTRIBUTION to SCHOOL HALOWE'EN PARTY:

Regrettably, the Parish Council did not consider it an appropriate use of Parish finances in the current economic climate.

185/PC/11 ACCOUNTS:

Annual return from BDO: 1 issue raised – restatement of fixed assets. The return was approved and accepted by the Parish Council. ½ year summary of payments and receipts reported by the Clerk.

Chq no. 978 was reported as not received by Suffolk ACRE. Chairman to contact Barclays bank to stop.

Chairman

Payments:

- Suffolk ACRE (Replacement) £100.00 (chq 981)
- Clerk Salary £242.63 (chq 982)
- Clerk Expenses (Post, stationery) £6.76 (chq 983)
- HMRC (Clerk PAYE Tax) £182.00 (chq 984)
- BDO (Audit) £342.00 (chq 985)

186/PC/11 ITEMS FOR NEXT MEETING'S AGENDA:

Louise Wilby. Gardeners Arms Footpath. Mobile Phone Mast

187/PC/11 DATE OF NEXT MEETING:

Monday 7th November 2011, 7.30pm

The meeting closed at 9.15pm

Chairman:.....

Date: