

STURMER PARISH COUNCIL

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All members of the Council are summoned to attend the **MEETING OF STURMER PARISH COUNCIL** to be held at **STURMER VILLAGE HALL** on **TUESDAY 28 NOVEMBER 2023 AT 7:30 PM** for the transaction of the business as set out below.

AGENDA

23/084	NOTE AND APPROVE APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE
23/085	WITH REFERENCE TO THIS AGENDA MEMBERS ARE INVITED TO DECLARE ANY DISCLOSABLE PECUNIARY INTERESTS, NON-REGISTRABLE INTERESTS AND OTHER REGISTRABLE INTERESTS
23/086	APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE MEETINGS HELD ON TUESDAY 10 OCTOBER - 2023
23/087	PUBLIC PARTICIPATION SESSION <i>This provides an opportunity for members of the public to raise questions and comment on items on the agenda or of import. Time for this session is limited to 15 minutes (03 minutes per person)</i>
23/088	RECEIVE COUNTY & DISTRICT COUNCILLORS REPORTS
23/089	RECEIVE CLERK'S REPORT & NOTE CORRESPONDENCE
23/090	FINANCE – RECEIVE FINANCIAL STATEMENT - AGREE PAYMENTS Finance statement to be attached at APPENDIX 23/090(i) - APPOINT AUTHORISER 23/090(ii) – CONFIRM CLLRS NOTED RECONCILED BANK STATEMENT 23/090(iii) – APPROVE BACK DATED PAY AWARD FOR 2023-2024 WHICH INCLUDES A ONE OFF PRO RATA GROSS PAYMENT OF £281.06 (AMOUNT WILL CHANGE DEPENDING ON MONTH OF ACTUAL PAYMENT) WITH AN INCREASE TO THE SCP HOURLY RATE OF £1.00 23/090(iv) – CONTRIBUTE TO THE OUTLINE 2024-2025 BUDGET PREPARATION TO INFORM THE FINAL PRECEPT APPLICATION IN JANUARY 2024 23/090(v) – RECEIVE UPDATE ON ACCOUNT OPENING WITH UNITY TRUST BANK 23/090(vi) – CONSIDER GRANT BID FROM THE VILLAGE HALL FOR £850
23/091	REVIEW & COMMENT ON CURRENT PLANNING APPLICATIONS/APEALS Ref. 23/02614/FUL Proposed security fencing, 2No. entrance gates, bin store and relocation of cycle store - Phoenix House, Phoenix Road, Sturmer Comment date 11 December 2023 Ref. 23/02705/FUL Development of a ground mounted solar farm, including energy storage, associated infrastructure, access, landscaping and grid connection cable. - Land South Of Sturmer Hall, Church Walk, Sturmer Comment date 19 December 2023 RECEIVE ANY UPDATE ON THE ALLEGED FOOTPATH ISSUE AT THE WOODLANDS HOTEL DEVELOPMENT SITE

23/092	<p>CONSIDER ENGAGEMENT OF QUALIFIED ARBORIST TO COMPLETE TREE SURVEY ALONG AMENITY WALK AND PRODUCE DETAILED REPORT ENABLING COUNCIL TO INVITE CONTRACTORS TO TENDER FOR THE IDENTIFIED WORK SCHEDULE. CURRENT OFFERS TO COMPLETE SURVEY PRICED AT Q1 £495, Q2 £600, Q3 up to £1,500, Q4 £960 (BDC has advised that the S106 fund could not be used for this purpose, nor the maintenance works to the trees along the Amenity Walk)</p> <p>23/092(i) – CONSIDER DEVELOPMENT OF TREE MAINTENANCE POLICY, example circulated to members</p>
23/093	RECEIVE ANY AVAILABLE UPDATE TO PROPPED BRIDGE INSPECTION WORKS
23/094	RECEIVE UPDATE ON REQUEST FOR ANDREW BILBY, ESSEX HIGHWAYS, FOR SITE VISIT REF. DROPPED KERB AND ROAD CROSSING ON A1017 ADJACENT TO BUS SHELTER
23/095	<p>RECEIVE REPRESENTATIVES REPORT:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) Footpaths - b) Flood Action Group - c) Play Area – d) Parish Maintenance – e) War Memorial – f) Village Hall – [f](i) – Defibrillator function – g) Highways –
	<p>MOTION TO BE AGREED - <i>Approve exclusion of the public</i> <i>Members of the public will be asked to leave the meeting for the next item, Exclusion of Public and Press - Under Section 100(A)(4) of the Local Government Act 1972, the public be excluded from the meeting whilst discussion takes place on the following item on the grounds that they involve the likely disclosure of exempt and commercially sensitive information</i></p>
23/096	RECEIVE UPDATE ON THE VG52 LAND SALE PROPOSALS
	<p>MOTION TO BE AGREED – <i>Approve readmission of the public</i> <i>Members of the public to be readmitted to the meeting</i></p>
23/097	REVIEW OPEN SPACES ACTION PLAN (now called Potential Open Space Improvements Plan)
23/098	ITEMS OF REPORT TO BE NOTED OR ADDED TO NEXT COUNCIL AGENDA
23/099	DATE OF NEXT MEETING - TBA – CLOSE

IAN BROWN - Parish Clerk & Responsible Financial Officer Dated **23 November 2023**, the Public and Press are welcome to attend. A 15 minute PUBLIC PARTICIPATION SESSION is HELD AT THE BEGINNING OF THE MEETING where contributions are always welcome, further comment during the meeting will be entirely at the Chairman's discretion and invitation only.