

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 09 JANUARY 2024 AT 7:30 PM** for the transaction of the business as set out below.

AGENDA

23/100	NOTE AND APPROVE APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE
23/101	WITH REFERENCE TO THIS AGENDA MEMBERS ARE INVITED TO DECLARE ANY DISCLOSABLE PECUNIARY INTERESTS, NON-REGISTRABLE INTERESTS AND OTHER REGISTRABLE INTERESTS
23/102	APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE MEETINGS HELD ON TUESDAY 28 NOVEMBER - 2023
23/103	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>
23/104	RECEIVE COUNTY & DISTRICT COUNCILLORS REPORTS
23/105	RECEIVE CLERK'S REPORT & NOTE CORRESPONDENCE
23/106	FINANCE – RECEIVE FINANCIAL STATEMENT - AGREE PAYMENTS Finance statement to be attached at APPENDIX 23/106(i) - APPOINT AUTHORISER 23/106(ii) – CONFIRM CLLRS NOTED RECONCILED BANK STATEMENT 23/106(iii) – CONTRIBUTE TO THE FINALISED 2024-2025 BUDGET PREPARATION TO INFORM THE FINAL PRECEPT APPLICATION FOR 2024/2025 23/106(iv) – RECEIVE UPDATE ON ACCOUNT OPENING WITH UNITY TRUST BANK 23/106(v) – APPROVE ACCEPTANCE OF STREET CLEANSING AGREEMENT 2024-25
23/107	REVIEW & COMMENT ON CURRENT PLANNING APPLICATIONS/APPEALS Ref. 23/02948/FUL Change of use on the ground floor from Offices to Electrical workshop. - Phoenix House , Phoenix Road, Sturmer Comment date 10 January 2024 Consider reporting of a possible planning breach, details of resident's complaint circulated to members - Reporting a planning breach – Braintree District Council Receive any update on the alleged footpath issue at the woodlands hotel development site Note Farmers for Farming comments ref Solar Farm development in Sturmer
23/108	CONFIRM 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) 23/108(i) – CONSIDER DEVELOPMENT OF TREE MAINTENANCE POLICY, example circulated to members
23/109	RECEIVE ANY AVAILABLE UPDATE TO PROPPED BRIDGE INSPECTION WORKS – IF NO UPDATE CONSIDER REMOVING ITEM FROM AGENDA
23/110	RECEIVE RESPONSES TO OUTCOME OF SITE VISIT WITH ANDREW BILBY, ESSEX HIGHWAYS, REF. DROPPED KERB AND ROAD CROSSING ON A1017 ADJACENT TO BUS SHELTER
23/111	RECEIVE REPRESENTATIVES REPORT: a) Footpaths - b) Flood Action Group - c) Play Area – d) Parish Maintenance – e) War Memorial – f) Village Hall – [f](i) – Defibrillator function – g) Highways – Including Popes Court, Light No1 Unit ID 187691
	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>
23/112	RECEIVE UPDATE ON THE VG52 LAND SALE PROPOSALS
	MOTION TO BE AGREED – <i>Approve readmission of the public</i> <i>Members of the public to be readmitted to the meeting</i>
23/113	AGREE FINAL ITEMS TO BE SUBMITTED FOR REVIEW OF THE POTENTIAL OPEN SPACE IMPROVEMENTS PLAN
23/114	ITEMS OF REPORT TO BE NOTED OR ADDED TO NEXT COUNCIL AGENDA
23/115	DATE OF NEXT MEETING - TBA – CLOSE

IAN BROWN - Parish Clerk & Responsible Financial Officer Dated **04 January 2024**, 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.