

STURMER PARISH COUNCIL

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Minutes of the **COUNCIL MEETING** of **STURMER PARISH COUNCIL** held at **STURMER VILLAGE HALL** on **TUESDAY 23rd OCTOBER 2018** at **7:30 PM**

Present: Cllr Garrod Cllr Porth Cllr Collar Cllr Carter Cllr Taylor Cllr Mcleod Jones

18/75	NOTE APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE None
18/76	DECLARATION OF INTEREST FOR OCTOBER MEETING None
18/77	APPROVE MINUTES OF MEETING AT STURMER VILLAGE HALL ON TUESDAY 04 SEPT. 2018 RESOLUTION - Minutes adopted as a true record– Proposed Cllr Taylor, Seconded Cllr Porth
18/78	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> None present
18/79	RECEIVE CLERK’S REPORT & NOTE CORRESPONDENCE CORRESPONDENCE - Various magazines and Newspapers shared with the members REMEMBRANCE WREATH – Collection and delivery of wreath is organised HIGHWAYS – Top 20 Pothole Survey, Coupals Road, Golf Club entrance highlighted – CLERK to ACTION HIGHWAYS – District Performance Review – Cllrs to forward performance comments to Clerk
18/80	FINANCE – RECEIVE FINANCIAL STATEMENT - AGREE PAYMENTS, APPOINT AUTHORISER Late arrivals, Sturmer Village Hall and CPRE subscription – agreed to include in October payments, revised statement attached. RESOLUTION – Approve payments, Proposed Cllr Collar, Seconded Cllr Mcleod Jones – Appointed authoriser – Cllr Carter. October Finance Statement at APPENDIX A
18/81	AGREE ADOPTION OF UPDATED RISK REGISTER- DOCUMENT PREVIOUSLY CIRCULATED RESOLUTION – Approved, Proposed Cllr Taylor, Seconded Cllr Carter Members to review risk levels as matters arise, Risk Register to be placed on website
18/82	REVIEW & COMMENT ON CURRENT PLANNING APPLICATIONS 18/01828/FUL – 12 Abbots Cottages, The Street - Part single storey and part two storey rear extension – NO OBJECTION 18/01799/LBC – Challices Farmhouse, Kedington Road - Repair and reinstatement of head/existing chimney stack to east gable. Exterior render colour to be 'sage green' in lieu of 'terracotta'. First floor alterations to internal layout to form 1 no. larger bedroom – NO OBJECTION 17/02054/FUL – APPEAL - Crunch Croft development – The council’s previous comments objecting to the development will be forwarded to the Inspector

18/83	RECEIVE REPRESENTATIVES REPORT: a) Footpaths – FP5 reported to Highways, they to action with land owner; PC review December b) Flood Action Group – No Report c) Play Area – Gate closer spring to be replaced; Type 1&2 laid on some surface areas d) Speedwatch – No Report
18/84	RECEIVE DISTRICT & COUNTY COUNCILLORS REPORTS See full report at APPENDIX B
18/85	RECEIVE UPDATE ON GRANT FUNDING APPLICATION(S) TESCO – Successful bid to be included in store based best of three selection process POLICE & CRIME COMMISSIONER FUNDING INITIATIVE – Not successful, however, “blue” Police Speedwatch Area signs have been offered for location on suitable posts
18/86	RECEIVE UPDATE ON CURRENT LOCAL HIGHWAYS PANEL SUBMISSIONS ROUNDELS - In validation process VAS - ROWLEY HILL CENTRAL POSITION - Speed survey did not support bid for additional signs SLOW DOWN SUB PLATE - Now added to existing vas A1017 30MPH & STURMER SIGNS - One missing, one faded asked to be cleaned, beyond cleaning - both in a programme to be renewed by ECC ADDITIONAL “SPEEDWATCH AREA” SIGNS FOR VILLAGE SIGNS – Awaiting LHP validation process
18/87	RECEIVE UPDATE ON ILLEGAL RUBBISH DUMPING IN THE MERE Stop Notice issued by the EA Suffolk Waste Team; Item to be removed from Agenda pending further information or feedback
18/88	RECEIVE RESPONSE FROM HANSON TO ALLEGED OUT OF HOURS OPERATIONS AT WATER LANE PLANT Recent correspondence from Regional Operations Manager, Hanson Concrete East, circulated to members, Clerk to enquire further of Planning as to the site Licence conditions, originally permitted in May 1964
18/89	CONFIRM ARRANGEMENTS FOR REMEMBRANCE DAY CELEBRATIONS Arrive at the War Memorial 10:30am “Here not Here” servicemen silhouettes on display. Anzac biscuits and Trench cake available in village hall along with tea and coffee plus other refreshments. Film showing the conditions during WW1 running on a loop in village hall. Proposed showing of the transmission from the Cenotaph in Whitehall on large screen in the village hall, technology and or licensing willing
18/90	CONSIDER CLERK’S REQUEST TO SUBMIT AN APPLICATION FOR THE LOCAL COUNCIL AWARD SCHEME - FOUNDATION LEVEL Unanimous agreement
18/91	ITEMS OF REPORT TO BE NOTED OR ADDED TO NEXT COUNCIL AGENDA Consider proposed draft Environment Policy Budget Review for 2019
18/92	DATE OF NEXT MEETING – 04 DECEMBER & 22 JANUARY 2019 – CLOSE 9pm

Signed.....Date.....

APPENDIX A

Sturmer Parish Council Finance Statement 23 October 2018										
Receipts & Payments Cashbook Accounting										
Expenditure										
DATE	PAYEE	DESCRIPTION	INVOICE	BACS	ACCOUNT	GROSS	VAT	NET	Ccentre	Box
15/10/2018	A&J Lighting	Monthly Mntenance	32134	DD	40527300	27.00	4.50	22.50	Parish	6
24/10/2018	Mr SA Pledger	Grass Cutting	25 09 18	FPO	40527300	200.00	0.00	200.00	Parish	6
24/10/2018	EALC	Award briefing	10445	FPO	40527300	10.00	0.00	10.00	Parish	6
24/10/2018	Logic 8	Stationery	1973923	FPO	40527300	19.99	3.33	16.66	Parish	6
24/10/2018	Employee	Salary	PAYE	FPO	40527300	341.00	0.00	341.00	Parish	4
24/10/2018	Employee	Expenses	N/A	FPO	40527300	16.20	0.00	16.20	Parish	4
24/10/2018	Sturmer Village Hall	Hire	Inv 91	FPO	40527300	24.00	0.00	24.00	Parish	6
24/10/2018	CPRE	Membership	702604	FPO	40527300	36.00	0.00	36.00	Parish	6
TOTAL						£674.19	£7.83	£666.36		
Income										
DATE	PAYER	DESCRIPTION	REMITTANCE	Cq No	ACCOUNT	GROSS	VAT	NET	Ccentre	Box
27-Sep-18	BDC	Precept Pt2	BGC		00112616	3,537.00	0.00	3,537.00	Parish	2
TOTAL						£3,537.00		£3,537.00		
Accounts		Balance								
Parish	40527300	£13,443.18		Signed _____ Date _____						
Lloyds	112616	£3,537.00								
				Minute Item _____						

APPENDIX B

District Councillor's Report 23rd October 2018 to Sturmer Parish Council (Cllr. Diana Garrod - Bumpstead Ward)

Dedham Vale AONB Planning Event

Outstanding Planning Event Whether you work in planning, sit on a planning committee, are a developer or architect or simply have an interest in planning in the AONBs then save the date of 25 January 2019. The AONB team are putting on an event bringing in national experts on planning policy, tranquillity, use of colour in design and factors contributing natural beauty (the reason for the national AONB designation). The event will be at the waterfront building at the University of Suffolk in Ipswich. You can register an interest via dedhamvale.project@suffolk.gov.uk or schaonb@suffolk.gov.uk Full programme and booking details TBA.

Trading Standards - Rogue Trader Leaflets

As autumn approaches Trading Standards is warning Essex residents about leaflets through the door offering gardening and tree services. It is widely recognised that this is not the best way to advertise if you're a legitimate trader and we are becoming more concerned about the circulation of leaflets with fake or incomplete address details that are often associated with very poor workmanship and distraction burglaries. Trading Standards are regularly publishing leaflets that concern them on their social media pages, follow on [Facebook](#) and [Twitter](#) and feel free to share. If you have any concerns 03454 040506 [Citizens Advice Consumer Helpline](#)

Essex Police - Rural Crime Advice Day

Wednesday 14th November, 10am – 3pm at Slamseys Farm, Blackely Lane, Gt. Notley, Braintree CM77 7QW. Visit the many exhibitors showcasing crime prevention products, gain crime prevention advice & information from Essex Police and the exhibitors. Includes relevant policing departments, partners, farming organisations, security products, CCTV, access control, equine advice, drones and much more. FREE ENTRY AND PARKING ON SITE For further information dial Essex Police on 101 and ask for your local Essex Watch Liaison Officer.

Braintree District Council appeals to Minister for 'Clarity to overcome craziness' on future housing land supply

Braintree District Council has announced that it is writing to a senior Minister to highlight the uncertainty created by Central Government on how they work out how much land is required for housing.

The letter, signed by Cabinet Member for Planning and Housing Cllr Lynette Bowers-Flint, comes as the Council finds itself in an unexpected position as – due to a new method of calculation as part of the revised National Planning Policy Framework (NPPF) and updated household projections - its supply has dramatically jumped from 3.9 years to 5.83 years supply.

Braintree District council has not had a five year supply of housing land in the last two years. But recently central government changed the way authorities should calculate the figure. According to the new method of calculation Braintree District now has sites sufficient to provide five years' worth of housing. However the new standard methodology is expected to be reviewed again by the Government and until a new 'updated' methodology is confirmed there will be uncertainty.