

STURMER PARISH COUNCIL

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Minutes of the **COUNCIL MEETING** of **STURMER PARISH COUNCIL** held at **STURMER VILLAGE HALL** on **TUESDAY 04th SEPTEMBER 2018** at **7:30 PM**

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

18/57	NOTE APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE Cllr Mcleod-Jones
18/58	DECLARATION OF INTEREST FOR SEPTEMBER MEETING None
18/59	APPROVE MINUTES OF MEETING AT STURMER VILLAGE HALL ON TUESDAY 10 JULY 2018 RESOLUTION - Minutes adopted as a true record– Proposed Cllr Taylor, Seconded Cllr Carter
18/60	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>
18/61	CLERK'S REPORT & CORRESPONDENCE Correspondence circulated for members to take away including notice of the EALC AGM & Joint ECC Conference
18/62	FINANCE – RECEIVE FINANCIAL STATEMENT - AGREE PAYMENTS, APPOINT AUTHORISER RESOLUTION – Approve payments, Proposed Cllr Collar, Seconded Cllr Taylor – Appointed authoriser – Cllr Carter. September Finance Statement at APPENDIX A
18/63	UPDATE REVIEW OF RISK REGISTER- TEMPLATE PREVIOUSLY CIRCULATED Cllr Taylor to provide Clerk with amendments to enable a finally compiled draft document containing all Cllrs input for council review at next meeting
18/64	REVIEW CURRENT PLANNING APPLICATIONS – UPDATE DETERMINED APPLICATIONS None to consider
18/65	CONSIDER IMPLICATIONS OF JOINING THE P3 PARISH PATHS PARTNERSHIP SCHEME Unanimous decision to decline offer to join the scheme
18/66	RECEIVE REPRESENTATIVES REPORT: a) Footpaths One path known to be ploughed up, awaiting reinstatement b) Flood Action Group Log updated and circulated to members previously c) Play Area Cllrs cut grass as Contractor unavailable, adjacent fallen tree removed d) Speedwatch Four roadside sessions found 25 instances of excessive speed, highest being 44mph

18/67	RECEIVE DISTRICT & COUNTY COUNCILLORS REPORTS See APPENDIX B
18/68	RECEIVE UPDATE ON GRANT FUNDING APPLICATIONS Awaiting outcome of TESCO grant funding application, could be another six months wait. Application being made to Police, Fire & Crime Commissioners Office for the Community Safety Development Fund. Quotes in from supplier to upgrade existing equipment software to enable remote monitoring of results plus pricing to supply additional Vehicle Activated Sign (VAS).
18/69	CONSIDER APPLICATION TO AMEND THE VILLAGE SIGNS TO INCLUDE "SPEEDWATCH AREA" Speedwatch group to approach Clerk
18/70	CONSIDER ITEMS RAISED AT LHP MEETING 26 JULY 2018 AS PER LIST BELOW: 18/70 .1 - SLOW DOWN VAS FOR NORTH SIDE OF THE VILLAGE – Corrected to West Side, see 18/68 – awaiting Local Highways Panel (LHP) response 18/70 .2 – ADDITIONAL VAS SIGN ON A1017 FOR CENTRE OF THE VILLAGE – Awaiting LHP response
18/71	RECEIVE UPDATE ON ILLEGAL RUBBISH DUMPING IN THE MERE Observations of activity filling flood plain of River Stour, thus potentially causing an increase in river levels and flood threat down stream. Environment Agency investigating.
18/72	AGREE ARRANGEMENTS FOR REMEMBRANCE DAY CELEBRATIONS Clerk to order Wreath. Clerk to approach Highways re traffic calming measure, Cllrs suggested parking vehicle on the road some yards before the Memorial to help slow traffic and protect those congregating.
18/73	ITEMS OF REPORT TO BE NOTED OR ADDED TO NEXT COUNCIL AGENDA Salt bins – due a refill from ECC The impact on Sturmer from the outline Planning permission for 2500 homes at Great Wilsey remains a serious concern. Contact St Edmundsbury Council and Carter Jonas re sale of Woodlands Hotel and no access across parish land from Coupals Road. Contact Hanson and Environmental Health re HGV activity before and after stipulated timing. Confirm restrictions that apply to the Amenity Walk.
18/74	DATE OF NEXT MEETING – 23 OCTOBER – CLOSE – 09:20pm

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

APPENDIX A

Sturmer Parish Council Finance Statement 04 September 2018										
Receipts & Payments Cashbook Accounting										
Expenditure										
DATE	PAYEE	DESCRIPTION	INVOICE	BACS	ACCOUNT	GROSS	VAT	NET	Ccentre	Box
05/09/2018	BHIB Ltd	Insurance	LCO01648	FPO	40527300	388.74	0.00	388.74	Parish	6
05/09/2018	A&J Lighting	Monthly Mntenance	32044	FPO	40527300	54.00	9.00	45.00	Parish	6
05/09/2018	Employee	Expenses	N/A	FPO	40527300	16.20	0.00	16.20	Parish	4
27/09/2018	Employee	Salary	PAYE	FPO	40527300	341.00	0.00	341.00	Parish	4
TOTAL						£799.94	£9.00	£790.94		
Income										
DATE	PAYER	DESCRIPTION	REMITTANCE	Cq No	ACCOUNT	GROSS	VAT	NET	Ccentre	Box
TOTAL						£0.00		£0.00		
Accounts		Balance								
Parish	40527300		£13,497.18	Signed			Date			
				Minute Item						

APPENDIX B

District Councillor's Report 4th September 2018 (Cllr. Diana Garrod- Bumpstead Ward)

Housing growth for North Essex and update of the Local Plan

In order to reach Government housing targets a Local Plan was duly submitted by Braintree District Council. A planning inspector has confirmed the amount of new houses which need to be built across north Essex over the next 15 years. Colchester Borough, Braintree District and Tendring District councils submitted a joint section one to their Local Plans, a blueprint for growth in the area until 2033.

The planning inspector backed the councils' submitted figures for housing growth up until 2033 – of 716 new homes each year in Braintree District, 550 in Tendring District, and 920 in Colchester Borough.

Graham Butland, Leader of Braintree District Council, said *“I am pleased that the Planning Inspectorate agrees with the housing need figures which underpin our Local Plan. We know building new homes is a key priority for the Government. Having a Local Plan allows us to shape where these new homes go, and make sure they are built in sustainable places, rather than where best suits developers”*.

However, the planning inspector decided more evidence was needed for the three garden communities and also suggested three options. Graham Butland said: *“After careful weighing up of all the options and the risk associated with each, I have concluded that option 2, which is a continuation of our current Local Plan and examination is the best way forward for the people of the district. This is the option which best protects the existing towns and villages in the district from urban sprawl and offers the best way to meet long-term growth needs and economic aspirations in the region. The alternative is adding large-scale housing estates*

to the towns, and to our villages, big or small, in larger numbers than most will have ever seen before. We know that this isn't the future that many of our residents want, and we also know that this piecemeal approach is having an increasingly negative impact on our services and infrastructure. The residents of this district tell me time and time again they need better roads, more public transport, easier access to healthcare and quality school places for their children, I firmly believe the garden communities are the best way of delivering this. In my view Garden Communities are the most appropriate way to deliver long-term housing growth whilst at the same time ensuring we collectively have more control over the way our districts grow, maximising economic growth and providing the right mix of housing in the right locations supported by the right infrastructure".

To read the inspector's letter please follow this

link: <https://www.braintree.gov.uk/lpexamination><https://www.braintree.gov.uk/lpexamination>

Cllr. Diana Garrod

District Councillor- Bumpstead Ward