

STURMER PARISH COUNCIL

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Minutes of the **COUNCIL MEETING** of **STURMER PARISH COUNCIL** held at **STURMER VILLAGE HALL** on **TUESDAY 10th JULY 2018** at **7:30 PM**

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

18/39	NOTE APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE None
18/40	DECLARATION OF INTEREST FOR JULY MEETING None declared
18/41	APPROVE MINUTES OF MEETING AT STURMER VILLAGE HALL ON TUESDAY 22 MAY 2018 RESOLUTION - Minutes adopted as a true record– Proposed Cllr Mcleod-Jones, Seconded Cllr Taylor
18/42	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-
18/43	CLERK’S REPORT & CORRESPONDENCE LEAF BLOWER – Delivered to Cllr Carter. LIGHTING CONTRACT RENEWAL – Five year contract due for renewal on 31 August, RESOLUTION – To accept new five year contract offer, Proposed Cllr Porth, Seconded Cllr Collar.
18/44	FINANCE – RECEIVE FINANCIAL STATEMENT - AGREE PAYMENTS, APPOINT AUTHORISER RESOLUTION – Approve payments, Proposed Cllr Carter, Seconded Cllr Taylor – Appointed authoriser – Cllr Carter. Finance Statement at APPENDIX A 18/44.1 CONFIRM AGREEMENT TO TRANSFER FUNDS INTO BARCLAYS ACCOUNT RESOLUTION – Approve transfer, Proposed Cllr Collar, Seconded Cllr Taylor 18/44.2 AUTHORISE CLERK TO MAKE PAYMENTS DURING AUGUST, APPOINT AUTHORISER RESOLUTION – Approve authorisation, Proposed Cllr Taylor, Seconded Cllr Collar Cllr Taylor to be additional signatory on the Barclays account – CLERK to ACTION
18/45	UPDATE REVIEW OF RISK REGISTER- TEMPLATE PREVIOUSLY CIRCULATED Cllr Porth to circulate amendments for review
18/46	REVIEW CURRENT PLANNING APPLICATIONS – UPDATE DETERMINED APPLICATIONS APPENDIX 18/60074/PREAPP – No OBJECTION
18/47	RECEIVE UPDATE ON S106 FUNDS AS A RESULT OF WILSEY DEVELOPMENT Remove item from future Agenda
18/48	RECEIVE UPDATE ON DAMAGED LAMP (A1017) AND LUMINOUS BOLLARD

	Now reported to Suffolk County Council
18/49	PROPOSAL TO FORWARD CORRESPONDENCE FROM HANSON WITH HIGHWAYS SEEKING ALTERATION TO WATER LANE JUNCTION WITH A1017 Situation at the junction to be reported to Local Highways Panel and the County Cllr – CLERK to ACTION
18/50	REVIEW CONDITION AND USE OF ROADSIDE SALT BOXES All three salt boxes require filling, matter to be reported to District Council – CLERK to ACTION
18/51	RECEIVE UPDATE ON DATA AUDIT REGISTER Nothing further to report - Item to be removed from future agenda
18/52	RECEIVE REPRESENTATIVES REPORT: a) Footpaths Several footpaths require attention, FP21 is unpassable, Cllrs Mcleod-Jones and Collar to raise queries on the Highways portal to acquire reference numbers to share with members b) Flood Action Group Cable on the bridge now runs underground c) Play Area Play area surfaces now cleared of blossom and leaf fall which causes them to become slippery, highlighted in the Rospa report; this cleaning is recognised as a constant requirement to maintain the surface – CLERK to liaise with Insurers d) Speedwatch Speeding remains an issue, the Speedwatch group are increasing their activity, the council is urged to persist with their efforts to introduce further traffic calming measures – CLERK to request LHP complete additional speed survey Cllr Garrod to seek urgent meeting with Local Highways Panel administrator
18/53	RECEIVE DISTRICT COUNCILLOR'S REPORT See APPENDIX B
18/54	RECEIVE UPDATE ON GRANT FUNDING SOURCES Application ready to be submitted, suggested project equipment – Talking Tubes for the play area
18/55	ITEMS OF REPORT TO BE NOTED OR ADDED TO NEXT COUNCIL AGENDA Planning for Remembrance Sunday event
18/56	DATE OF NEXT MEETING – 04 September and 23 October – CLOSE – 8:42pm

Signed.....Dated.....

APPENDIX A

Sturmer Parish Council Finance Statement 10 July 2018										
Receipts & Payments Cashbook Accounting										
Expenditure										
DATE	PAYEE	DESCRIPTION	INVOICE	BACS	ACCOUNT	GROSS	VAT	NET	Ccentre	Box
26/06/2018	HMRC	PAYE Mth1	PAYE	BACS	40527300	18.20	0.00	18.20	Parish	4
26/06/2018	HMRC	PAYE Mth2	PAYE	BACS	40527300	18.40	0.00	18.40	Parish	4
26/06/2018	Playsafety Ltd	Play Area Inspection	02-Sep-97	BACS	40527300	79.80	13.30	66.50	Parish	6
26/06/2018	S A Pledger	Grass cutting	N/A	BACS	40527300	100.00	0.00	100.00	Parish	6
26/06/2018	Employee	Leaf Blower	A4361257232	BACS	40527300	124.99	20.83	104.16	Parish	6
26/06/2018	Employee	Salary	PAYE	BACS	40527300	331.85	0.00	331.85	Parish	4
TOTAL						£673.24	£34.13	£639.11		
Income										
DATE	PAYER	DESCRIPTION	REMITTANCE	Cq No	ACCOUNT	GROSS	VAT	NET	Ccentre	Box
07-Jun-18	HMRC	VAT		4800000	40527300	198.69	0.00	198.69	Parish	3
08-Jun-18	BDC	Community Fund		BGC	40527300	124.99	0.00	124.99	Parish	3
TOTAL						£323.68		£323.68		
Accounts		Balance								
Parish	00112616		£9,983.80	Signed _____		Date _____				
Parish	40527300		£5,078.79							
				Minute Item _____						

APPENDIX B

District Councillor Ward Report for Parish Councils – 10th July 2018

An Opportunity with James Cleverley MP

James Cleverley MP has asked that I let residents know he will be hosting a Pub Surgery at The Finchingfield Lion in Finchingfield on Friday 13th July 2018 at 7.00pm. The pub surgery is informal and is an opportunity for constituents to chat in an open forum about politics both Local and National in a relaxed setting.

Opportunity for Manufacturing Businesses

Representatives of Manufacturing Businesses within the Braintree District are invited to express their interest to form a Manufacturing Excellent Club. The club will aim to bring together sector-specific and like-minded businesses, creating a peer to peer support and interest network.

The format will consist of a quarterly 2-hour session, hosted at a business premise in the district. The event is aimed at CEO's, directors or senior managers who can cascade the information from the event to the

rest of their workforce. If you are interested in being part of the club and would also like to express an interest in being a host, please email: danielle.putt@braintree.gov.uk

Recycling Sack Delivery

The next recycling sack delivery for the Bumpstead Ward is scheduled for September/October 2018.

Court Hearing Results under Section 2 of The Dogs Act 1871

Thursday 28th June 2018 at Chelmsford Magistrates Court, Stella Betts, age 61 of Highfields, Great Yeldham for being the owner of 2 Staffordshire Bull Terrier type dogs that were dangerously out of control in Beazley End on 29th September 2017. The dogs attacked a Jack Russell Terrier resulting in injuries being sustained and the dog being put to sleep by a vet. Mrs Betts was unable to attend the hearing, but contacted the Court and admitted her dogs were dangerously out of control. The Magistrates put a control order on the two dogs and ordered Mrs Betts to pay costs of £854.50.

Successful prosecutions for Braintree District Council for Fly-Tipping

Braintree District Council was successful in taking legal action against the following people for fly-tipping and associated offences last week under the Environmental Protection Act 1990.

Donna Loveridge, age 31 from Ridgewell for the unauthorised deposit of waste in a by-way in Ridgewell. The waste had been collected for payment from a property in Cavendish. Miss Loveridge was prosecuted for fly tipping and failure provide receipts for the collection and deposit of the waste collected from Cavendish. This case was heard at Chelmsford Magistrates Court on 20th June 2018. Miss Loveridge pleaded guilty to the offences and was fined £320, ordered to pay costs of £561 and pay a victim surcharge.

Gavin Cooper, age unknown from Beazley End for the unauthorised deposit of waste in an un-named road between Halstead Road and Whiteash Green. This was a large amount of waste which partially obstructed the road. This case was heard at Chelmsford Crown Court on 21st June 2018. Mr Cooper pleaded guilty to the offence and was fined £500, ordered to pay costs of £1084 and pay a victim surcharge.

Thomas England, age 26 from Writtle for the unauthorised deposit and disposal of waste which included asbestos, at a property in Glebe Crescent, Witham. Mr England pleaded guilty to the offences in a hearing at Chelmsford Magistrates Court but was referred to the Chelmsford Crown Court on 21st June for sentencing. Mr England was sentenced to 15 months custody, suspended for two years, was ordered to undertake 250 hours of unpaid work within 12 months and pay costs of £1000. An order for forfeiture of the vehicle used in commission of the offence was given.

Councillor Wendy Schmitt, Cabinet Member for Environment and Place, said: "Fly-tipping is simply not acceptable – it not only harms the environment and looks unsightly, but it costs the taxpayer to clear it up. We need the public to understand their rubbish is their responsibility and they must dispose of it correctly. I hope successful prosecutions like these send out a clear message that we take fly-tipping extremely seriously and are not afraid to take legal action against those who don't do the right thing with their waste, who ruin our environment and have no respect for others."

Planning inspector confirms housing growth figure for North Essex

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 and Braintree and Tendring District councils submitted a joint section one to their Local Plans, a blueprint for growth in the area until 2033.

Following a public examination of the Local Plan, a planning inspector has now reported back on the expected housing need for the period. He reported back on other aspects within the Local Plan last month.

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

His response on housing figures had been delayed from the rest of the Plan after consideration of a late submission from a developer over Tendring's projected numbers.

However, the inspector ruled the councils had accurately predicted housing need based on national guidelines.

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."

Neil Stock, Leader of Tendring District Council, welcomed the inspector's response. He said: "Getting an accurate figure for predicted housing growth is a critical part of the Local Plan, as it sets out how many new homes we need and how quickly we need them. This will provide greater certainty for housebuilders and councils which can only be a good thing," he said. "I am glad the inspector has recognised the amount of work which has gone into this calculation, and that this can provide reassurance to the public that we have not simply plucked a figure out of the air."

Tim Young, Deputy Leader of Colchester Borough Council, said the borough was at the forefront of delivering sustainable growth. He said: "Colchester continues to be a place where people want to live, work, learn and visit, and that is reflected in our housing figure. Having a strong Local Plan in place, which has been prepared in consultation with our residents, is vital to ensure Colchester's housing requirements deliver sustainable developments in the right places and with the right infrastructure. It is not just about housing numbers, but creating great places where vibrant local communities can thrive and prosper."

To read the inspector's letter please follow this link: <https://www.braintree.gov.uk/lpexamination>

Regards

Cllr. Diana Garrod

Bumpstead Ward