



Stambridge Parish Council
Minutes for the Meeting of the Council
held on Monday 18th March 2014

Present: Councillors: B Crix, P Richmond, G Ioannou, D Vanderson
Parish Clerk: L Fox
Linda Hare,

189. Apologies for Absence.

189.1. None

190. Election of Vice Chairman

190.1. Councillor Ioannou nominates Denise Vanderson for Vice Chairman, Denise declines, Cllr Ioannou offers to other Councillors to nominate, no nominations received. Therefore unanimously all Councillors agree to wait until the May Annual Meeting.

191. Approval of Minutes.

191.1. Minutes of the Parish Meeting held on the 4th February 2014 were agreed to be true records of the meeting however with the note that Cllr Richmond had concerns with the procedure of the offer. Councillor Crix proposes, Councillor Ioannou 2nds.

191.2. Minutes of the Extra Ordinary Parish Meeting held on the 18th February 2014 were agreed to be true records of the meeting by Councillors Denise Vanderson 1st and George Ioannou 2nd.

192. Declaration of Interests in accordance with the Councils Code of Conduct/Vacancies/Applications for Vacancies

192.1. Cllr G. Ioannou (Non-Pecuniary) – Stambridge Memorial Hall

192.2. Cllr P Richmond (Non-Pecuniary) – Director of a Taxi Company

192.3. No applications

Adjournment of meeting begins 8.30pm

193. Contributions from Members of the Public

193.1. 2 Residents present raising an issue regarding parking at their property. No access to spaces due to property situated on main road, however they had been advised by previous tenants on space available and required confirmation on this. Councillors discussed and agreed this was not a Council issue and one to be taken up with the landlord of the property, however suggestions were made as follows: Check Lease Agreement between Tenant and Landlord, Visit Land Registry to see if property has access to/ownership of the land in question. (Check the Deeds) but mainly to approach the landlord and request clarification.

Meeting restarts 8.45pm

194. Reports from Parish Representatives

194.1. Police – No crime in Stambridge this last month. Neighbourhood Watch Scheme being rolled out in Stambridge. Quarterly literature will be provided for the Newsletter and Volunteers will be required to knock door to door to obtain members. 10th April – Speed Gun Training Course taking place at The Stambridge Memorial Hall.

194.2. Rochford Hundred Association of Local Councils – Meeting Next Month.

194.3. Community Information Group (Known previously as Community Forum) Meeting next Month.

194.4. Transport – Meeting cancelled until June.

195. Stambridge STW

195.1. No issues, meeting being arranged once weather better.

196. Clerks Report

196.1. Clerks report provided, no comments made.

197. Stambridge Memorial Hall / Grounds

197.1. Vandalism/Insurance Claim – In hand with Rob Barr.

197.2. Door Insurance Claim – Email received regarding meeting contractor on site. Councillor Ioannou and another Councillor to arrange suitable time and date for inspection.

197.3. Football Club – Payment of water bill promised but date has passed and no payment received. Nick Khan at RDC is now on hand providing legal advice on way forward Cllr Richmond states the land must be kept as a multipurpose use of land.

197.4. CCTV – Quotation being provided, PC Emma Clark who specialises in CCTV is reviewing. Clerk to enquire if insurance company can provide a cash injection to help towards funding.

197.5. Extension/rewiring/Car park – all ideas passed onto RRAVs and list of Grant forms received, Cllr Ioannou will forward to other Councillors.

198. Stambridge Community

198.1. Councillors all happy with Minutes provided – All ok.

199. Funding

199.1. Crucial Crew – Cllr Ioannou proposes motion to approve a donation of £200 to the project. All councillors agree – show of hands. Agreed to review year on year.

199.2. COPE Event - 19/03/14 – Cleaner has been in and revamped entire hall, including steam clean of floor. Event taking place tomorrow, Cllrs invited to attend.

200. Parish Council Website / Newsletter

200.1. Website receiving 120 independent hits per month.

200.2. Cllr Ioannou has already started on the Newsletter due to the clerks annual leave and agreed to continue. Cllr Richmond to provide information regarding church, Cllr Vandersons husband is requested to provide info on Wednesday club. Suggestions for Newsletter – Note our commitment to reducing the speed limit to 40mph throughout Stambridge and our determination to keep the streetlights on. Also to politely request, when streetlights are reported post numbers are also supplied along with the location.

201. Footpaths/Highways

201.1. Highway issues/Pothole – Streetlights- Quotation reviewed from new contractor, another quotation being sourced. Cllr Ioannou to arrange repair through Stambridge Electrical Contractor, to ensure all reported lights are urgently repaired. Clerk to forward list.

201.2. Village Green/Verges – No issues other than ongoing ones.

201.3. Footpaths – Mill Lane issues. Cllr Richmond suggests to put in Newsletter, public please use them and report findings, so we can act on them. Cllr Ioannou to speak with Michael Stranks regarding up to date maps.

201.4. Environment – Old Mill site – Senior Fire Officer now in control and dealing with Developer.

201.5. Bottle Bank – Approved awaiting delivery but delayed due to RDC changing Vendors, but all in hand.

202. Planning including Applications

202.1. None

203. Allotments

203.1. General Update – No comments on report – all plots now let.

204. Correspondence

204.1. None

205. Finance

205.1. Payment of Accounts:

205.1.1. St Marys Hall Donation	15.00	101264
205.1.2. Clerks Salary (Confidential)	£-	101265
205.1.3. Clerks Expenses	£57.33	101266
205.1.4. HMRC (Confidential)	£-	101267
205.1.5. Gable Roofing Company	£1881.60	101268
205.1.6. PRS for Music	£100.22	101269
205.1.7. Linda Hare – Community Builders	£24.00	101270

205.2. Stambridge Memorial Hall Urgent Cheques:

205.2.1. Deposit Refund Carol Harvey	£50.00	100308
205.2.2. Stambridge PC Reimbursement of Insurance money	£1568.00	100309

205.3. Monthly Breakdowns – Clerk unable to provide as awaiting Statements – Cllr Ioannou to obtain.

205.4. St Marys Church Fund for Youth after school club – Cllr Ioannou to forward application to all Cllrs for review, suggestions.

206. Date of the next Parish Council Meeting is Monday 28th April 2014

206.1. Venue: St Marys and All Saints Church Hall at 8.00pm

206.2. Chairman will be absent between 3rd April to 19th April – 2 Councillors will be required to confirm power to proceed, notify all councillors, and await response/confirmation from two.

Meeting Ends 9.59pm
Lisa Fox, Clerk to the Council, 24th March 2014

Chairman`s Signature _____

Date _____

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