

STOKE BY NAYLAND PARISH COUNCIL
MINUTES OF THE EXTRAORDINARY MEETING HELD 2 MAY 2023
AT THE VILLAGE HALL

Present: Stevie Bezencenet – Chairman (SB)
Vivienne Klimowicz (VK)
Rosemary Emeny (RE)
Adam Sedgwick (AS)
Martin Nielsen (MN)

Apologies: Sean Fry (SF) – Vice-chairman, Vicki Gibbins

In attendance: James Dark (JD) – Parish Clerk

E23.5.1 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

See above

E23.5.2 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST IN ANY AGENDA ITEM

None declared.

E21.5.3 PUBLIC FORUM

No members of the public were present.

E23.5.4 SUPPORT FOR HASTOE PUBLICITY EVENT

A note from Hastoe on administrative support for the event agreed with the clerk had been circulated before the meeting.

It was noted that the arrangements for allocating the new housing are being administered by the district council, not Hastoe. Concerns were expressed that the district council's allocation criteria do not appear to give sufficient priority to people living in the parish or with connections to it. This was understood to have been the intention of the housing project.

It was also noted that:

- It was unlikely that anyone not already registered for housing with the district council would be able to apply for one of the properties given the registration timescales, making the need for a publicity event questionable
- It was likely that demand is already too great for the places available, making the need for a publicity event questionable
- It appears that the district council's criteria for allocating housing are being applied rather than connections with the parish
- The district council's bidding process requires bidding for properties elsewhere in order to be considered for one of the new Hastoe homes
- It would be desirable if Hastoe invited the district councillor and representatives from the district council's housing department to the event.

Action: Clerk to express concerns above to Hastoe and ask for the district councillor and housing department to be invited to the event.

The Chairman closed the meeting at 8.50pm.