

Minutes/Report: Stoke by Nayland PC BWP Meeting 21st August 2017 at Well House

Present: Isabelle Reece (IR), Vivienne Klimowicz (VK); Adam Sedgwick (AS); Nicki Bray (NB); Martin Nielsen (MN)

1 Apologies were received from Jeremy Bloomfield (JB) and Stevie Bezencenet (SB)

2 The order of business was changed:

- All agreed that it was desirable that an updated Budget form part of the RFO's report at Council Meetings
- The completed projects were noted
- **ACTIVE PENDING** projects were reviewed:

Street Lighting: IR to check on progress of works order. **RECOMMENDED:** Once timing of removals is known, appropriate notice to be given to residents.

Housing Needs Survey: This may be stalled owing to complications from Babergh DC. **RECOMMENDED:** JB (as Planning Committee Chairman) to attend Planning Together and Community Engagement meetings with AS & IR.

War Memorial: Part I of grant application submitted. AS to submit Part II.

Electricity Undergrounding in Village: It was noted that progress had been made with UKPN AONB Project. **RECOMMENDED:** at appropriate stage engage School Street residents to form part of a working group with a view to seeking individual contributions and grant funding for a more complete removal of wires.

Downs Path South: No reply from contractors to request for revised quotes using oak. **RECOMMENDED:** NB to pursue

- **STALLED** projects were reviewed:

Grit Boxes: VK noted that replies to annual letter regarding placement of grit from SCC were routinely ignored. Most boxes in good state of repair but one needed at Clipt Bush. **RECOMMENDED:** No major campaign to replace; condition of boxes to be checked by AC as part of routine Asset Register review; investigate costing of recycled plastic wood for Clipt Bush box.

Planning Training: Babergh District Council Planning Department is in a 'state of flux'. **RECOMMENDED:** put project on hold.

Community Emergency Planning: Noted that most likely to be limited to power cuts and major interruptions of water supply. NB would like to resume work on this project. **RECOMMENDED:** NB produce a preliminary plan by November 2017; request assistance if needed; Clerk to reply to Sue Herne (SCC) to indicate plan still in progress.

Downs Path North – railing: **RECOMMENDED:** AS to pursue specification promised by SCC Highways; IR possibly has details of new contact.

Stoke by Nayland in Bloom: **RECOMMENDED:** IR to resume activity with a view to entering in 2018 (No money requested from budget at present).

Business Consultation: VK & MN briefly reported fruitful meeting with Stoke by Nayland Club & IR had made a start on list of local business contacts. **RECOMMENDED:** IR to circulate dates to reconvene Business Consultation Working Party (No money requested from budget at this stage).

Register PC Land Ownership: AS reported an unsatisfactory response from NALC and a request for information from the Clerk of the Lady Ann Windsor Charity. **RECOMMENDED:** AS & Parish Clerk to pursue.

Bins for Lay-bys: Still uncertainty as to whether desirable and how the matter is regarded by Tendring Hall Estate. **RECOMMENDED:** AS to gain more information on 'lay-by enhancement' (see item below) and fly tipping; canvass opinion of Tendring Estate.

- Remaining possible projects were reviewed:

Well Housing Repairs: Historical Heritage ranked as number 4 in Priorities Survey. **RECOMMENDED:** seek quotes for repairs; clear brief to AC.

Butt Road Bramble Patch: It was concluded that since this land belongs to Tendring Hall Estate the Parish Council has no jurisdiction.

Plough Lane – Stoke Tye Crossroads Path: A previous agreement with Steve Merry (SCC Highways Dept) had not been fulfilled, but agreed an important route for pedestrians, especially employees of the S by N Club. **RECOMMENDED:** VK to include in Unresolved Traffic Issues Report with view to pursuit.

Public Electric Car Charging Point: IR noted recent government policy and possibility of future grant funding. **RECOMMENDED:** investigate. Potentially JB,

Sinking Fund: Still only a concept; uncertainty over necessity.

Water Supply to Allotments: most agreed a sustainable water supply would be advantageous; permission required from Tendring Hall Estate; a joint project may be possible. **RECOMMENDED:** IR pursue as part of Stoke by Nayland in Bloom campaign.

Rehabilitation of Downs Path: this would be a major undertaking requiring significant funding. **RECOMMENDED:** retain as desirable project for future.

B1068 Lay-bys upgrade: **RECOMMENDED:** retain 'on hold' (See also item on bins above).

- 3 'Business as Usual' expenditure anticipated changes:
None were anticipated.
- 4 Stoke by Nayland PC & LSPN Community News:
There are issues to be addressed. **RECOMMENDED:** a small working party be set up to investigate the matter.
- 5 Any other Business:
MN reported on a projected change in Cutting Schedule to include more grassed areas, but to reduce frequency that other areas – in particular, The Downs - are cut.

The meeting closed at 20.20hrs