

**STOKE BY NAYLAND PARISH COUNCIL
MINUTES OF THE PLANNING & ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE MEETING
HELD ON TUESDAY 2 NOVEMBER 2021 AT 7.00PM AT THE VILLAGE HALL**

Present: Martin Nielsen (MN) – Chairman
Linda Goodman (LG)
Vivienne Klimowicz (VK)
Adam Sedgwick (AS)
Fred Grosch (FG) (from 7.25pm)

Apologies: Sean Fry – Vice-Chairman (SF) (via videolink)
Stevie Bezencenet (SB) (via videolink)

In attendance: James Dark - Clerk (JD)

1 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

See above

2 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST IN ANY AGENDA ITEM

None.

3 PUBLIC FORUM

No members of the public were present.

4 MINUTES

4.1 Minutes of the previous meeting

The minutes of the meeting held on 5 October 2021 were approved. (These would be signed at a date agreed by the Chairman and Clerk).

5 PLANNING APPLICATIONS

5.1 Application DC/21/05496 – The Bauble

No comments.

5.2 Application DC/21/05898 - The Pyghtle

No comments.

6 PLANNING DECISIONS

6.1 Application DC/21/05429 – Thorington Hall and Thorington Lodge

Approval of the application was noted.

7 PLANNING CONTROL

7.1 Enforcement

Correspondence from Babergh District Council regarding enforcement investigations was noted. It was agreed that, in addition to progress on issues reported by the parish council, it would be acceptable for the district council to notify the parish council of breaches only. This was in line with a solution being considered by the district council.

Action: Clerk to inform BDC's enforcement team of the parish council's position.

8 PLANNING TOGETHER AND COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

8.1 Bramford-Twinford powerline plan/Offshore Transmission Network Review (OTNR)

MN provided an update. He advised that a good summary of the current position could be found on Dedham Vale Society's website where DVS's response to the latest consultation covers

all points made in the parish council's response to an earlier consultation. This included requesting continuous undergrounding from Polstead to Twinstead including undergrounding the existing 400kv line.

With regard to the OTNR, MN reported that a number of local councils MPs and other stakeholders had formed a lobby group to liaise with government departments on the conditions for the private sector to build any new offshore networks.

8.2 Anglian Water plans for Bury-Colchester pipeline

SF reported that Anglian Water had updated its website to say that plans would be shared in early 2022. The route is expected to pass through the east of the parish.

9 NATURAL ENVIRONMENT

9.1 Maintenance of footpaths

A report on the condition of a ramp from a bridge to the field section of the permissive footpath to Rowley Wood was noted. It was agreed that the Clerk should contact the Woodland Group to request that repairs be carried out. The Clerk agreed that it would be appropriate for the parish council to reimburse the cost.

Action: Clerk to request repairs as above.

A report on the overgrown condition of footpath 27 from the gate by the Guildhall to the junction with footpath 29 west of the allotments was noted. MN reported that the path is not on the SCC footpath cutting schedule. MN said he would draw up a specification for the works required to report to a future meeting. He would also contact SCC to discuss whether SCC could contribute to the works. However, he cautioned that previous contact with SCC suggested that it would be unable to. It was agreed to put it to SCC that the section of footpath 27 in question should be on the SCC footpath cutting schedule, as being of more than local significance.

Action: MN to draw up a specification and discuss the possibility of the path being on the cutting schedule with SCC.

8.2 Arboreal conservation

VK reported on correspondence with the district council on the condition of a large tree on the Blundens. It was noted that BDC's arboreal officers did not consider it hazardous but suggested monitoring it.

9 DATE AND TIMING OF NEXT MEETING

Tuesday 7 December 2021 at 7.30pm – Venue TBC.

The Chairman closed the meeting at 7.30pm.