

**STOKE FERRY EXTRAORDINARY PARISH COUNCIL MEETING**  
**Minutes of the Extraordinary Meeting held on**  
**Wednesday 8 February 2023 at 5.00pm held in Stoke Ferry Village Hall**

**Present:**

**Cllr Sue Lintern (Chair)**

**Cllr Trudy Mann (Vice Chair)**

**Cllr Janet Taylor**

**Cllr Andrew Hayward**

**Gail Robinson (Parish Clerk and Financial Responsible Person)**

**Also in attendance:**

**Public:** 1 (from 5.15pm)

**07/23 Openness and Transparency Notice - The Parish Council record the meeting.**

The Parish Council record the meeting. The Chair notified the public of this.

**08/23 Aggressive or abusive behaviour towards members of the Parish Council, staff or members of the public will not be tolerated. If this happens you will be asked to leave the meeting and if necessary, the meeting will be suspended. Member of the public are asked to only speak when they are permitted to do so.**

**09/23 To Receive and Consider Acceptance for Apologies of Absence**

It was **resolved** to accept apologies from Cllr Donna Stocking, Cllr Mandy Leamon, Cllr Stuart Collins, Cllr Gail Reeves, Cllr Lyn Juniper-Solley.

**10/23 To Receive Declarations of Interest from Members or To Note Dispensations where applicable.**

There were no declarations of interests.

**11/23 To Adjourn the meeting to allow for public comments (in accordance with standing order 3(j) and 3 (k) item shall not exceed 15 minutes).**

At this point in the meeting there were no members of the public present.

**12/23 To consider planning application 23/0092/F The siting of 30 '20 foot' containers for local storage at Stoke Ferry Timber Ltd Boughton Road North Stoke Ferry KINGS LYNN Norfolk PE33 9BF – Deadline: 13<sup>th</sup> February 2023**

Cllr Sue Lintern noted that she, along with Cllr Trudy Mann had visited the property and gave a summary of what they found. There is some acoustic fencing already in place near the containers. They are 20ft containers. The containers are not accessed all day, people come occasionally to collect things as needed. There is no flood lighting that strays over the neighbouring property. There is considerable sound from the nearby road and some from the yard. Presently the opening hours are 8am till 5pm on weekdays and 8am till 12pm on Saturday. If people have a key, they can go in by arrangement. There is a soak away near the neighbouring property. The surface is concrete and the water will go in the existing soak away. The drain is still there and is not covered over and will remain in the place. The acoustic fence line could continue further along a portion of the neighbour's fence line. There are 400 trees that have been planted, which seemed a responsible thing to do for a timber yard. The councillors discussed the distance of containers and the neighbouring property fence line. It was noted that the containers are in two separate locations.

The member of the public now present, expressed hope that the opening hours would not extend too early or too late in the day.

**Cllr Sue Lintern proposed that the application should be supported with the following comments. This was seconded by Cllr Janet Taylor and all members were in favour.**

The members feel that the opening hours and access to the containers should be restricted to nothing beyond 7am to 7pm every day of the week. The acoustic fencing needs to be extended along the neighbouring property fence to the end of where the containers are located. And noted this facility is a good one to have in the village.

**13/23 To note the date of the next scheduled ordinary meeting as 15<sup>th</sup> February 2023 at 7.00 pm in the Stoke Ferry Village Hall**

The meeting closed at 5.35pm.