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STOKE FERRY ORDINARY PARISH COUNCIL MEETING Minutes of the Ordinary Parish Council meeting held On Wednesday 15th November 2023, at 7pm in the Village Hall, Lynn Road, Stoke Ferry

203/23 To record the names of those present

Cllr S Lintern – Chair, Cllr G Reeve, Cllr T Mann, Cllr D Stocking, Cllr A Hayward, Cllr D Robinson, Cllr J Taylor, and Cllr L Juniper-Solley.

1 member of the public
G Robinson – Clerk and RFO
Cllr M Storey

204/23 Openness and transparency notice - The Parish Council record the meeting.

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 asked to only speak when they are permitted to do so.

The Chair reminded those present of the above statement.

205/23 To receive and consider acceptance for apologies of absence

It was **resolved** to accept apologies from Cllr S Collins.

206/23 To receive declarations of interest from members or to note dispensations where applicable

Cllr Reeve declared an interest on the planning application 23/01475/FM.

207/23 To approve the minutes of the Ordinary meeting held on 18th October 2023 and to note matters arising (Clerk's Report)

It was proposed by Cllr Taylor that the minutes should be accepted as a true and accurate record of the meeting. This was seconded by Cllr Juniper-Solley. 6 councillors that attended the meeting agreed and 2 councillors abstained.

Matters arising

- **Footpaths**
No updates
- **Playing field**
No updates
- **2Ag LTD**
No updates
- **The Common land**
Valuation has been completed. Details of this together with the updated plans have been sent to the solicitor as he was not happy with the previous boundary plans and the ones from the solicitor are helpful.
- **NorfolkALC representative**
It was agreed that Cllr Robinson would represent the Parish Council with this body.
- **C Wilson – Buckenham Drive**
He had a site visit yesterday to get survey plans in order and then plans to meet with 2Ag.

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208/23 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).

Parishioners noted the following items of concern:

- Dip in the road on Bridge Road opposite the railway station.
- There are still roots coming through the footpath near the cemetery.
- Cllr Storey has not had his members allowance funds yet. Cllr Lintern suggested that the footpath between Border Road and Fairfield Road could be done with this allowance.
- Cllr Stocking has a pothole to report, and pictures will be sent to the Clerk.
- Problem with a drain, near a brick wall on the 2Ag site on Lynn Road. Cllr Hayward to take pictures and send to the Clerk for reporting.

209/23 Cllr Sue Lintern (BCKLWN) and Cllr Martin Storey, (NCC), if in attendance

Cllr Storey asked about the planning application being considered at tomorrow's planning committee meeting. Cllr Lintern gave an update on all items of recent planning matters.

- PC is satisfied with all the Lark Road application as all items of concern have been addressed.
- Cllr Storey gave an update on:
 - Norwich Western Link road
 - Norfolk employment well project
 - Grant for trees
 - Flu and Covid updates are on the website
 - Ofstead Foster care survey
 - Waterstones partnership 2023 giving appeal
 - Ticket office closures are now not happening
 - County deal is still being considered and there will be an update in December 2023

Cllr Lintern reported:

- From the recent Beat the Bills event 40 residents were supported from the local area.
- £200 allocated from her councillor allowance to the history group for a project with the school.
- Attended a meeting regarding the West Winch housing development. When more information she will report back again. Still at the survey stage at present.
- Biodiversity training for planning has been undertaken, updates to come.

210/23 To consider for approval any action in relation to the land transfer of Limehouse Common

Nothing further to consider at this stage.

211/23 To consider planning applications that require Parish Council comment

- a) 23/01475/FM - Full application for the erection of 29 no. dwellings, Village Hall car park and associated infrastructure. at Land Between Bramcote House and Village Hall Lynn Road Stoke Ferry Norfolk – deadline 21st November 2023

There have been discussions between Freebridge and the Parish Council which Cllr Lintern discussed and explained fully what had been agreed. The s106 is now being amended to meet the expectations of the Parish Council. Cllr Lintern noted that a construction management plan is to be put in place. Looking to start mid 2024

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building into 2025. Parish Council would like to see the cabling for electric cable charging points put in place when the groundwork is being done. It was agreed that items that need addressing, and the Parish Council would like to have the construction management plan available to them.

Cllr Lintern is going to meet with the Village Hall committee to confirm they are happy with the comments too.

- b) 23/01721/F - Internal and external alterations to an existing outbuilding for use as an Annex to the main house at Lavender Cottage Lynn Road Stoke Ferry King's Lynn Norfolk PE33 9SW – deadline 17th November 2023

The Parish Council object to this application. The development is outside the development boundary and therefore does not meet the requirements of Neighbourhood Plan policy SF9. The councillors feel this is a separate property and does not constitute an annex. It does not meet the requirements of Neighbourhood Plan policy SF4 as is not in keeping with the design and character of Lynn Road.

- c) 23/01803/F - Single storey extension to front of existing bungalow at Tamarisk 6 Furlong Drove Stoke Ferry King's Lynn Norfolk PE33 9SX – deadline 15th November 2023

The Parish Council support this application. It is in a conservation area and the extension matches the neighbouring properties.

Lark road is going to be considered at the planning committee meeting tomorrow. Cllr Lintern discussed the comments that have been reported and how these have been addressed. Cllr Lintern invited members to say if they would like any matters to be addressed. A member of the public asked about being on a flood plain.

212/23 To consider financial items

- Bank account balance
As of 15th November 2023 £27,779.71
- Income
No income since the last meeting
- To approve payments

Payee	Regards	Payment method	Net	VAT	Gross
G Robinson	October wage	BACS	£330.90	0	£330.90
HMRC	PAYE/NIC	BACS	£52.60	0	£52.60
D Limbert	October work	BACS	£100.00	0	£100
CGM	31.10.23	BACS	£221.32	£44.27	£265.59
NPower	Electric	DD 18.11.23	£167.48	£8.37	£175.85
Tigheplant	Soil removal - extra	BACS	£200 included in invoice below		
RBL	Wreath	BACS	£20.00	0	£20.00
Tigheplant	Cemetery work	BACS	£5350.00	£1070.00	£6420.00
SFVH	Hall hire	BACS	£100.00	0	£100.00

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213/23 To approve the register of decisions made on email to be ratified at the next council meeting

No items required ratification during the month by email.

214/23 To consider plans for the Christmas event

Cllr Juniper-Solley reported:

A Christmas tree has been donated and poster information has been put up. Gary was thanked for donating the Christmas tree. His contact details are on the posters advertising the event @ Norfolk Nordmanns. Parade will be held on Saturday 2nd December for a 6pm start at the playing field. There will be a panto at the playing field too and will move around the village to various locations. There will be mince pies and mulled wine at the Blue Bell. Cllr Lintern proposed that the budget for this should be increased to £150, an increase of £50 from the last meeting. This was seconded by Cllr Stocking and all agreed.

215/23 To consider invitation to bid for Parish Partnership 2024/25 – deadline for application 8/12/23

Cllr Lintern proposed that the following PP bids should be submitted. This was seconded by Cllr Hayward and all agreed.

- Border Road to Fairfield Road footpath resurface
- Footpath creation from English's garage to Field Lane (section only)
- Wig wag signs outside school

216/23 To receive an update regarding Village Hall planning

Discussed earlier in meeting.

217/23 To consider forming a working group to check village asset lists alongside the physical items and record the location

It was agreed the Clerk and Cllr Mann would meet to do this.

218/23 To receive urgent items of concern & matters to be included on the next agenda from the Parish Council and note forward items

The AGAR has been completed, Clerk to add cost to the running list

Code of conduct complaint to the monitoring officer for Cllr Lintern has been resolved and found to be a vexatious complaint. Cllr Lintern is cleared of all allegations.

Furlong Road/Indigo Road planning is likely to be delayed as there is more work to be done. Cllr Lintern gave an update on this matter.

Cllr Juniper-Solley left the meeting at 9.09pm

Cllr Taylor noted that spoils need putting to the back of the pile at the cemetery and would like to create a sign to this effect.

Agenda item for next meeting PA system

Vote of thanks was given for the Remembrance Service work by Trudy and Janet. It was well attended. A thanks was also given to the Stocking family for their support in supplying the Remembrance Service soldier at the war memorial.

219/23 To approve next meeting will be the Ordinary Parish Meeting on Wednesday 17th January 2023 at 7.00 pm in the Stoke Ferry Village Hall

The date of the next meeting was noted, and Cllr Stocking gave her apologies.

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220/23 To resolve on moving into a closed session, on the grounds of confidentiality in accordance with the Public Bodies Admission to Meetings Act 1960 s.1 (2)

- a) To consider handrail quotes – Quotes were considered and resolved upon.