

Longstanton Parish Council



Minutes of the Meeting of the Council, held at Longstanton
Longstanton Village Hall, Longstanton on Monday 13 September 2021 at
7.30pm.

Present: Cllr de la Mare-Lyon (Chairman), Cllr Burns, Cllr Baker, Cllr AM Brash-Hall, Cllr T Brash-Hall, Cllr Dickens, Cllr Ferreira, Cllr Roman, Cllr Wycherley.

In attendance: District Cllr Cheung Johnson, County Cllr Thompson, Mr B Stoehr (Locum Clerk) and 2 members of the public.

21-22/62 Chairman's Welcome
The Chairman welcomed the Councillors and public to the meeting

21-22/63 Apologies for Absence
Apologies were received from Cllr McPhater (personal) and Cllr Street (breakdown).

21-22/64 Councillors' Declarations of Interest
Declarations of interest from Councillors on items on the agenda:
Cllr Wycherley declared an interest in item 21-22/67g as a neighbour of the site.
Requests to speak: None.
To receive requests for dispensations: None.
Grant of dispensations: None.

21-22/65 Public Participation Session (10 min)
A member of the public spoke about the aquifer problems and that Northstowe phases 3a and 3b are due to be approved in the coming months. It was reported that they have been told no additional environmental impact assessment was needed. They asked the Council to allocate money to facilitate an engineering survey to investigate if the drainage works in Northstowe have been built in accordance with the approved plans.
Another member of the public spoke to item 67g and stated that the Fews Lane Judicial Review had been turned down.

21-22/66 Approval of Minutes
a) To approve the minutes from the meeting held on 12th July, 20th July and 12th August 2021
RESOLVED that the minutes of the meeting of 12th July 2021 be approved and signed by the Chairman but it was noted that on item 49h that it is better for the wildlife if the ponds dry out more. (Prop GD, 2nd BB, unanimous)
RESOLVED that the minutes of the meeting of 20th July 2021 be approved and signed by the Chairman (Prop BB, 2nd AW, unanimous)
RESOLVED that the minutes of the meeting of 12th August 2021 be approved and signed by the Chairman (Prop DDL, 2nd AW, unanimous)

b) Matters to report from previous minutes
None

21-22/67 Planning
a) S/0388/12/COND12 Northstowe Phase 1 Submission of details required by condition 12 (parts ii and iii) (Archaeology) of outline planning permission S/0388/12/OL (Info only)
Noted

- b) 20/04232/OUT Land South West Of 50 Mills Lane Outline planning for the erection of 6 self build dwellings with some matters reserved except for access, layout and scale (amendment)
RESOLVED to submit the same comments as the previous application. It was noted that the site had been removed from the Call for Sites (Prop SB, 2nd BB, unanimous)
- c) 21/1105/TTCA Pole Barn Farm Woodside Tree works
Noted
- d) To note SCDC planning decision notices received since the last meeting
i) 21/02898/HFUL 12 Ladywalk Single storey front and rear extensions and garage conversion – SCDC Permission Granted
Noted
- e) SCDC response to complaint
The complaint response from SCDC was noted.
- It was noted that the SCDC Planning Committee meeting was abandoned due to technical reasons and that it was not possible for the public to have an opportunity for representation. It was not known when the meeting would be reconvened or if this would be before the Planning Inspectorate deadline.
RESOLVED to ask the Planning Committee for feedback on what would have been presented and to ask when the meeting would be reconvened. (Prop DDL, 2nd TBH, carried with 1 abstention)
- f) Update on Local Plan Call For Sites (Consultation 1/11/21 to 13/12/21)
Noted
- g) Update on Fews Lane planning appeals & SCDC Planning Committee
Taken under item e.

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County and District Council Matters

- a) To receive the report from the County and District Councillors
District Cllr Cheung Johnson reported on the meeting with Homes England and stated that they are hoping the B1050 roundabout would be connected by November but is currently being dealt with by legal departments.
It was reported that the Northstowe Water Park is now open.
Concerns about noise from piledriving works at Northstowe, the ongoing issues with water levels in Longstanton and issues blue-green algae in the balancing ponds were conveyed to Cllr Cheung Johnson. She agreed to investigate these issues and report back.
County Cllr Thompson reported on the meeting with Homes England. A meeting to discuss the bridleway works from Wilson's Road to the bridge is being scheduled. Concerns about the busses on the busway not stopping at Longstanton and the high costs were raised. It was noted that the busses are the responsibility of the Combined Authority. A meeting is to be arranged with Stagecoach and the Mayor so that the issues could be addressed.
District Cllr Cheung Johnson and County Councillor Thompson left the meeting.

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Parish Council Matters

- a) Central Open Space - To consider the next steps
It was noted that Brookfield had been asked to cut the paths on the Central Open Space.
Cllr delaMare-Lyon reported on the meeting with Brookfield and noted the suggestions received for the land. RESOLVED to restart the Sustainability Working group and that wildflower planting and security of the land would be priorities.
- b) To receive the risk assessments and consider any works required
No further reports received.

- c) To receive the play inspection reports
RESOLVED to ask Brookfield to do the rectification items and ask Brookfield to reinstall the swing which were taken down due to COVID restrictions.
- d) Update on Hatton Road Ponds
It was reported that an update is expected at the end of the month.
- e) Over 60's – Request for funding
RESOLVED to contribute up to £480 towards the scheme. (Prop BB, 2nd DDL, unanimous)
- f) Heritage Building – Proposal that LPC, NTC and LDHS act as a steering group to the project
RESOLVED to appoint Cllr McPhater to take this forward.
- g) Resident request for recycling litter bins in High Street
It was believed by councillors that all bins in Northstowe are emptied into the same section of the bin lorry and not recycled. It was agreed to find out what happens to the waste from these bins before reviewing further.

Cllr Dickens reported that he had spoken to the Pavilion and the Co-op Head office. The Pavilion had agreed to empty the bins on the rec, the Co-op had declined to empty the bins on the Green. Cllr Dickens agreed to discuss this further with the shop manager.
- i) Trees on Recreation Ground at rear of Colesfield
Cllr Brash-Hall raised a query that the trees may not be owned by the Parish Council. It was RESOLVED to investigate the ownership of the trees and if they are the Parish Councils to seek quotes to reduce, in the mean time write to the resident and inform them of the situation and that they are welcome to carry out the works themselves if they would like it done quickly.
- j) Additional tree planting on Home Farm Road
To be tabled at a future meeting
- k) Neson's Crescent POS – Cutting of Hedge on Over Road
To be tabled at a future meeting
- l) Update on new clerk recruitment
Cllr Wycherley presented the updated recruitment pack. It was RESOLVED update the papers with some minor amendments before consideration at the next meeting.
- h) Kingfisher Pond –request for further actions
RESOLVED to engage with Northstowe Town Council to seek their support with the issues,
RESOLVED that up to £5000 is delegated to the Clerk to seek quotes and commission a engineers report to review if the drainage systems have been built in accordance with the approved plans.
RESOLVED that Cllr Brash-Hall should seek guidance from HR Wallingford.
RESOLVED to write a letter to SCDC stating that Council intend to commission a review.

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Correspondence (for information only)

It was noted that various items of correspondence had been received and circulated to Councillors since the last meeting.

There was no other business and the meeting closed at 10pm.

SignedChairmandate