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Extraordinary Meeting of the Parish Council held on Monday the 29th of April 2024 1930hrs at the Parish Room, Upper Street, Stratford St Mary

MINUTES

PRESENT:

Cllr R Barrell - Chairman
Cllr W Davies
Cllr G Robinson
Cllr M Pearce
Cllr L Shead
Cllr D Robinson

IN ATTENDANCE:

F Hall - Clerk
Member of the public - 3

01.04.24 **Present and apologies for absence.** Apologies received from District Councillor John Ward.

02.04.24 **To accept members declarations of interest in accordance with the Council's code of Conduct.** None

03.04.24 **Public Forum.** No comments

04.04.24 **Planning Applications**
To Discuss to following planning application:

APPLICATION FOR PLANNING PERMISSION - DC/24/01647

Proposal: Householder Application - Erection of single storey rear extension (following demolition of conservatory).

Location: Mallard House, Upper Street, Stratford St Mary, Colchester Suffolk CO7 6LW
Planning have extended the date for comments to the 06.05.24.

Planning application was discussed and agreement that no comment to be made, Cllr G Robinson proposed, Cllr Shead seconded, all in favour.


20/5/24

APPLICATION FOR LISTED BUILDING CONSENT - DC/24/01648

Proposal: Application for Listed Building Consent - Erection of single storey rear extension (following demolition of conservatory) including internal alterations to layout.

Location: Mallard House, Upper Street, Stratford St Mary, Colchester Suffolk CO7 6LW

Planning have extended the date for comments to the 06.05.24.

Planning application was discussed and agreement that no comment to be made, Cllr G Robinson proposed, Cllr Shead seconded, all in favour.

APPLICATION FOR PLANNING PERMISSION WITHOUT COMPLIANCE OF CONDITION(S) - DC/24/01856

Proposal: Application under S73a for the Removal or Variation of a Condition following grant of DC/23/04488 dated 15/02/2024 Town and Country Planning Act 1990 (as amended) - Demolition and rebuild of existing agricultural buildings for Business (B1 Office) use, with associated parking areas - Condition Number 3 (Hours of Use) and 20 (Us Class Restriction) for all units as per Planning Statement.

Location: Woodhouse Farm Barns, Dedham Road, Stratford St Mary, Suffolk

Comments by 10.05.2024

PC discussed and agreed to submit an objection comment to this application, Cllr Davies proposed, Cllr D Robinson seconded, all in favour. Clerk to write a letter objecting to this planning application with the following: – the planning request is inappropriate for the location, concerns with regard to light pollution, the hours are unacceptable, there are plenty of other more suitably sited units which would accommodate longer hours, disruption and disturbance to neighbours and wildlife, bats will be disturbed, the company knew the restrictions when they got approval and before they built them so there is no need for a change, increase in traffic movements and as this property is approx. half a mile outside Stratford it is a business that will not bring any revenue benefit into the village.

APPLICATION FOR PLANNING PERMISSION - DC/23/04143

Appeal Reference: APP/D3505/W/24/3336381

Appeal by: Stratford Inns Limited

Proposal: Planning Application - Alterations to barns and outdoor areas to the front and rear creation of additional WC facilities and new accessible WCs as per Planning Design and Access Statement.

Location: Anchor Inn, Upper Street, Stratford St Mary, CO7 6LW

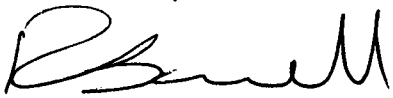
Noted that The Anchor Inn have withdrawn this planning application but note there is an Enforcement notice in place, which has not been made available to the PC.

05.04.24 National Grid - Pylons

Consultation for the Norwich to Tilbury project – the 3 members of the public that were present at the meeting had mixed views on the proposal. Offshore would be preferred but would still need connection inland, pylons are not visually attractive but would be less invasive than an alternative of underground, if alternative of underground was opted for the make up of the soil could take approx. 10/15 years to recover and trenches would need to be left open for 3 years. People are worried about pylon health effects. The PC will draft a letter of objection for review at the next meeting in May – Concerns that the crossing point at the river is not a suitable location due to the area being a floodplain so propose that the route be changed, the soil removed when tunnelling could be washed into the river when it rains causing silting, traffic volumes coming through the village for the works would be unacceptable and this project would have massive disruption to otters, badgers and other wildlife. The PC would encourage more views from members of the public so please attend our next meeting on Monday 20th of May to express your views.

06.04.24 Play area at the Village Institute

Cllr D Robinson is awaiting a third quote for the works required on the play area. Ipswich Borough Council have advised that wood chip is not an inclusive surface, but rubber chip is and this would be an improvement to the play area. Cllr D Robinson has obtained a quote of £2,700 for rubber chip – once laid the benefit of rubber chip is that it does not have to be topped up like wood chip. Clerk to pursue grants for the purchase of rubber chip to improve the play area and make it more inclusive and safer. Cllr D Robinson to report back at Mays meeting with a third quote for works.


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07.04.24 Speed Sign

Cllr Pearce has obtained a quote for a new post for the new speed sign to sit on which will go on a new site. Quote is £775.08 inc VAT which includes removing the old post which is not required as it will remain where it is. Cllr Pearce to get the quote amended to reflect this. Cllr D Robinson proposed to accept expenditure for the new post, Cllr Shead seconded, all in favour.

Meeting closed at 2040hrs

D. Robinson
20/5/24