



# Long Stratton Town Council

## MINUTES OF MEETING HELD ON MONDAY 13<sup>th</sup> JANUARY 2020 AT 7PM AT THE METHODIST CHURCH ON MANOR ROAD OF LONG STRATTON TOWN COUNCIL

**In attendance: Councillors Kevin Worsley, Mark Gladding, Andrew Lansdell, Bob Mackenzie (20:10), Judith Baker, Diane Woodham, Matt Pochin, Jill Callaghan, Mark Bambridge, Kelly Lunness & Edward Earp**

**Members of the Public, District Councillor Alison Thomas, District Councillor Josh Worley**

**Becky Buck (Clerk).**

1. To receive apologies for absence  
Councillor Ian Mortimer gave apologies for purposes of ill health, these were accepted by the Council.  
Councillor Bob Mackenzie advised he would be late to the meeting.
2. To receive disclosures of interest and dispensations  
There were no disclosures of interest to consider.
3. To invite applicants for co-option to introduce themselves  
There are no applicants for co-option.
4. To discuss and decide on co-option applicants.  
Not applicable
5. To allow members of the public and district and county councillors to speak - max 15 Minutes  
District Councillor Alison Thomas's report. Update regarding the boxing club. I have tried to approach the management of the boxing club regarding available funding through South Norfolk District Council however, there has been no response from the boxing club.  
Greater Norwich Development Partnership proposal was agreed at South Norfolk District Council and is on cabinet agenda for Norfolk County Council and we will await the outcome; however, Long Stratton Area Action Plan is not being amended.  
County Council report – a lot of areas have large amounts of surface water, the water on Flowerpot Lane/ Stratton Road junction is in hand. Budget recommendations were agreed this morning, this will go through to full cabinet in February.  
Councillor Worsley reported that the hydrants/ pipes are spouting water on the Hempnall roundabout, the contact number was called but there was no answer. Councillor Thomas has also raised this matter and she will chase to find out what is occurring.

Member of the public stated that the lights outside 92 Manor road, LSC 123 streetlight is facing the wrong way, please can this be amended.

Roads still not have been swept, Councillor Thomas was asked if she could enquire. She advised that it was in hand however due to limited resource other works had taken precedence.

Signed .....Date.....



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District Councillor Josh Worley had received a report from the Youth Action Board who had undertaken a consultation regarding leisure time with Long Stratton High School and how youths were spending their time. Councillor Worley to send through report to the Clerk to see if this can help with negating anti-social behaviour in the village.

6. To approve the minutes of the meeting held on 9<sup>th</sup> December 2019  
Minutes of the meeting held on 9<sup>th</sup> December 2019 were signed as a true record by the Chairman.
7. To consider any items arising from the minutes of 9<sup>th</sup> December 2019  
There were no matters to consider.
8. Financial and Governance items
  - a. To review income and expenditure since the last meeting and consider the authorisation of payments  
Payments totalling £88,806.12 were approved for payment.
  - b. To discuss and decide on maximum expenditure for playground inspections based on the repeat quote from The Play Inspection company.  
It was resolved to accept the quote from The Play Inspection as maximum expenditure of £135 + VAT. Clerk to source 2 other quotes as per financial regulations.
  - c. To note income being paid into Clerks account and transferred to Council account (authorised by Chairman and Vice-Chairman)  
This was noted, the Council were satisfied the transaction was carried out appropriately and transparently.
9. To consider correspondence received  
There was no written correspondence. The Clerk advised of a complaint she had received regarding anti-social behaviour and the steps she had taken to assist the parishioner.
10. To discuss and decide on Grays funfairs 2020 attendance in June  
It was resolved to accept Grays funfairs for June 2020, subject to fair weather.
11. To discuss and decide on attendance to Greater Norwich Development Partnership draft local plan.  
Councillor Alison Thomas advised that there may be a display in the South Norfolk District Council foyer for those that wish to look at the proposal in more detail. Councillors Lansdell and Baker were approved to attend. They were asked for a report to be brought back to Council.
12. To discuss and decide on the solicitor's report and advice regarding the Methodist Church  
Moved to a closed session at the end of the meeting.
13. To note change in Chairman's register of interest.  
Change to Chairman's register of interest in employing a gardener which is the Council's groundsman. As such the Chairman has absolved himself from any matter relating to the groundsman.

Signed .....Date.....



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14. To receive Pavilion update.

The Clerk provided an update regarding the pavilion project.

15. To note the following meeting dates

- a. Planning & Highways meeting – 27<sup>th</sup> January 2020 @ 6pm: Hawthorne House.
- b. Events meeting – 27<sup>th</sup> January 2020 @ 7pm
- c. Pavilion contract meeting – 23<sup>rd</sup> January 1.30pm.
- d. Ordinary meeting – 10<sup>th</sup> February 2020

16. To receive future agenda items.

Grounds vehicle.

There was a potential attempted break in on the containers can CCTV be placed to cover the containers.

The Clerk advised it will be reported to the police.

the meeting was closed to the public and press under the Public Bodies (Admissions to Meetings) Act 1960 due to the disclosure of confidential information

13. The Council reviewed the report provided by the Clerk which was based on advice given by the solicitors. The Council resolved the next steps with 10 votes in favour 1 abstention. The Clerk to contact the solicitor.

*With there being no other business, the Chairman closed the meeting at 8:48pm.*

Signed .....Date.....