

STOKE BY NAYLAND PARISH COUNCIL
MINUTES OF THE PLANNING & ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE
4 MARCH 2025, 7.00PM AT THE VILLAGE HALL

Present: Martin Nielsen (MN) - Chairman
Sean Fry (SF) – Vice-Chairman
Adam Sedgwick (AS)
Vivienne Klimowicz (VK)
Steve Green (SG)
Fred Grosch (FG)
Stevie Bezencenet (SB)

Apologies: None

In attendance: James Dark – Clerk (JD), BDC Cllr Isabelle Reece (IR)

1 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

None

2 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST IN ANY AGENDA ITEM

None

3 PUBLIC FORUM

No members of the public were present.

4 MINUTES

4.1 Minutes of the previous meeting

The minutes of the meeting held on 4 February 2025 were agreed and signed.

4.2 Actions from the previous meeting not covered elsewhere on the agenda

None outstanding.

5 PLANNING APPLICATIONS

6.1 Application DC/25/00586/88 – Grimseys/Oakleaf

No comments to be submitted in response to the application.

6.2 Application DC/25/00850 – Tendring Hall Estate

No comments to be submitted in response to the application. .

Action: Clerk to ask the estate if there are plans to replace trees proposed for removal.

6 PLANNING DECISIONS

6.1 Application DC/24/04090 – One School Global

Approval of the application was noted.

6.2 Application DC/24/05498 – Stoke by Nayland Club

The District Council's decisions on conditions including a number of refusals were noted.

6.3 Application DC/25/00257 – The Priory

The District Council's decisions on conditions were noted.

6.4 Application DC/25/00228 – Oakbeams

The District Council's decision not to object to the application was noted.

7 PLANNING CONTROL

It was noted that the District Council had not yet provided any information in response to recent reports of potential non-compliance with planning regulations.

Action: Clerk to ask the District Council when information might be provided.

It was noted that an estate agent had placed a number of signs in the parish in contravention of the council's roadside advertising policy.

Action: Clerk to ask the estate agent to remove the signs.

It was reported that a car for sale had been parked on SCC highways land. It was considered that there are unlikely to be grounds to take this further.

8 PLANNING TOGETHER AND COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

A report on major projects in the parish that had been circulated before the meeting was noted.

8.1 Developments related to Boxted Bridge

MN reported that the District Council had agreed to meet the parish council ahead of the planning application to replace the bridge going to the District Council's planning committee. The aim would be to ask if the District Council has any questions about the parish council's response to consultations on the application and also to find out if there would be an opportunity to speak when the application goes to the planning committee.

Action: Clerk to ask the District Council to confirm a time for the meeting.

9 NATURAL ENVIRONMENT

A report circulated before the meeting on discussions about potential footpath improvements with landowners and Suffolk County Council was noted.

SG said he would investigate potential trip hazards on St Edmunds Way footpath following clearance work.

SG reported that SCC had responded to a report on potholes alongside the path in the churchyard saying it was not their responsibility. It was noted that the parish council would need to find evidence that this is a footpath before taking the matter further with SCC.

10 PLANNING AND ENVIRONMENT ISSUES ARISING

It was noted that the Tendring Hall Estate had installed a number of benches in the parish which was appreciated.

11 DATE AND TIMING OF NEXT MEETING

Tuesday 1 April 2025 at 7.30pm – Venue: Village Hall.

The Chairman closed the meeting at 7.30pm.