

**STOKE BY NAYLAND PARISH COUNCIL**  
**MINUTES OF THE PLANNING & ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE**  
**2 July 2024, 7.00PM AT THE VILLAGE HALL**

**Present:** Martin Nielsen (MN) - Chairman  
Sean Fry (SF) – Vice-Chairman,  
Adam Sedgwick (AS)  
Vivienne Klimowicz (VK)  
Fred Grosch (FG)

**Apologies:** Stevie Bezencenet (SB), Steve Green (SG)

**In attendance:** James Dark – Clerk (JD), BDC Cllr Isabelle Reece (IR) from 7.20pm

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**1 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

See above. Apologies and the reasons given were accepted (SG on holiday, SB illness).

**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 June 2024 were agreed and signed.

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

- MN updated on advice provided to residents on planning control issues.
- No response had been submitted to BMSDC's consultation on supplementary planning documents, following review of the documents.
- It was agreed that the committee would consider any action and publicity on BMSDCs Call for Sites following discussions with parish landowners, which would also include the Neighbourhood Plan Group.
- MN reported that he is intending to produce a response to National Grid's consultation on Norwich-Tilbury powerline strengthening for circulation within two weeks.
- It was agreed that draft terms of reference for the committee would be recommended to the parish council with an adjustment stating that payments approved by the committee would be reported to the parish council rather than ratified.

**5 PLANNING APPLICATIONS**

None

**6 PLANNING DECISIONS**

**6.1 Application DC/24/01515 – The Old Presbytery**

Approval of conditions was noted.

**7 PLANNING CONTROL**

**7.1 BMSDC Planning enforcement prioritisation strategy**

It was noted that BMSDC has published an enforcement strategy outlining the criteria on which enforcement action would be considered, and that the district council had not consulted with parish councils on this. It was noted that this was effectively indicating to developers that certain planning requirements would not be enforced if considered trivial under the criteria.

**Action:** MN to circulate the document to neighbouring parish councils and raise with the Dedham Vale Society National Landscape Partnership.

## **7.2 Compliance**

A response from SCC on ownership of land near One School and whether parking on it complies with regulations was noted. It was also noted that there are different views among residents and authorities on ownership of land which has been used for storing tree cuttings.

**Action:** MN to seek clarification with SCC.

## **8 PLANNING TOGETHER AND COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT**

MN reported that he and SF would be meeting with contractors to discuss closure of Scotland Street for six weeks as part of UKPN's Box Valley North undergrounding scheme. It was agreed that the committee members would circulate a note informing residents of the forthcoming closure.

## **9 NATURAL ENVIRONMENT**

### **9.1 Maintenance of footpaths**

Reports from SG were noted. As SG had given his apologies, it was agreed that discussion of this item would be postponed to the next parish council meeting.

## **10 PLANNING AND ENVIRONMENT ISSUES ARISING**

### **10.1 Clerk and Chairman's correspondence**

None.

## **11 DATE AND TIMING OF NEXT MEETING**

Tuesday 6 August 2024 at 7.30pm – Venue: Village Hall.

The Chairman closed the meeting at 7.45pm.