

CROWFIELD PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Meeting held on Monday 13th July 2015 at 7pm in the Morris Room of the village hall.

PRESENT D Brander, Chairman and councillors S Hart, A Shoote, and L Rowe, Clerk.

APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE were received from R Baker, R Williamson, Roger Williamson, S Scott, Cllr. T Passmore and Cllr. M Hicks.

MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING held on May 11th 2015, were agreed and signed as a true copy.

MATTERS ARISING

INSURANCE. After comparison by the Chairman with Aon, it was decided to stay with Hiscox.

SPEEDING ENFORCEMENT & VAS. SCC have agreed a locations in Debenham Road and Ipswich Road. In addition, they have identified three potential locations in Stone Street. The details will be discussed with the owners of the properties and SCC. When the third location has been decided, an updated application form will be submitted. Clerk had also e-mailed Pettaugh clerk but no response to date. Clerk would try again.

STONHAM BARNES

Liaison Meeting

The first liaison meeting was held on July 1st which was chaired by Jonathan Free of MSDC. The meeting included representatives from Stonham Aspal, Pettaugh, Crowfield and the planning department. Stonham Barns representatives were not present but will attend future meetings. The meeting was updated on several ongoing issues and was useful.

Letter to Planning Dept. regarding events after dusk

A reply has not been received to a March letter sent to MSDC planning regarding their position on the coverage of existing restrictions across the Stonham Barns site. A follow up letter will be sent to MSDC.

PLAY AREA

A message has been distributed through the Crowfield News asking for volunteers to form a fund raising group.

VILLAGE HALL REGISTRATION. Robert Baker needs to apply to the Commissioner of Oaths to be able to sign the relevant document. He is willing to do this.

TRANSPARENCY CODE

The notice of meetings and agenda will be posted on the Parish Council website. Councillors would in future be circulated with the documents electronically unless they requested paper copies.

DOG FOULING SIGNS

There was a discussion regarding the most appropriate type of sign and the possible locations for them. A sample 4x6 metal sign and adhesive sign were looked at.

Smaller signs (4x6) were considered best for public footpaths but larger signs (A4) could also be helpful. An initial purchase would be made of smaller signs for attachment to footpath signs. The location of larger signs would be considered at a future meeting.

DECISION:

Purchase 10 (4x6) metal signs from Mid Suffolk DC. Cost £60.

REASON:

To improve the amenity of the village.

Education

A request to improve dog hygiene has been made in village publications.

FINANCE

Current Bank balances; CA £1743.71 DA £1358.99

Cheques agreed and signed; 100370 £87.50 MSDC election fee. 100371 £8.40 MSDC sample signs.
The ROSPA inspection of the play area has been arranged for August. A copy of the report will be given to the VHMC for them to decide and implement what they believe is appropriate.

PLANNING

Home Farm 1155/15 - Club house extension.

MSDC Status: Granted subject to several conditions which include:

Occupation largely restricted to agricultural workers.

Use allowed from 1st March to 31st October.

New Access & Fence at Debenham Road.

The repeater sign has been reinstated at the north end of the property at the field entrance.
There is still an issue concerning the fence.

ANY OTHER BUSINESS

It was reported that between two properties in Stone Street, there is a large tree, with branches that hit buses. It was not known whose responsibility it would be for cutting back the branches. It was agreed that it was not really the responsibility of the PC.

DATE OF NEXT MEETING; Monday, September 14th.

There being no further business, the Meeting closed at 8.45pm.