

TATTINGSTONE PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of Parish Council Meeting held in Tattingsstone
Village Hall on Monday, 19th May, 2014 at 7.30p.m.

Present: Cllr. Collins (Chairman) Cllr. Butler, Cllr. Hurley, Cllr.Kerswell,
Cllr. Mendel, Cllr. Self, Cllr. Smalley, Cllr. Stanger,

1 member of the public.

1. **Apologies for Absence:** Cllr. Wood.
2. **Declaration of Interest:** None.
3. **To approve Minutes of Meeting held on 7th April, 2014:** The minutes were agreed by the Councillors and signed as a correct record by the Chairman.
4. **Clerk's Report:** Re: Church Road sign. The Clerk had emailed Alan Baker at Babergh District Council who will contact his contractor, to install the sign.
Re: Painting or cleaning of Lemons Hill bridge railings. The Clerk had written to John Buffone at Anglian Water on 21st April but had not received a reply. She will write again.
5. **Matters arising from those Minutes:** Cllr. Collins said the Parish Newsletter and Fete Account items have not been included on this agenda as Cllr. Wood is unable to attend and these will be put on next month's agenda. Cllr. Kerswell enquired why the proposed 20mph speed limit will stop at Badgers Bend. Cllr. Smalley said she felt if a speed limit is imposed it should go round the bends to Pond Hall Farm. The meeting was adjourned at 7.35p.m. for Rodney Chadburn to speak. He said he also felt the speed limit should go round to the farm. He will send a letter into the Parish Council.
The meeting was reconvened at 7.40p.m.
Re: Item 14 – Broadband. Cllr. Kerswell said she felt the Parish Council should write to BT complaining about the slow Broadband in the village. Discussion took place. Cllr. Smalley said she had spoken to someone who worked for BT who said they are currently putting optic fibre cables onto the telegraph poles, however, it is the

junction box at the Wheatsheaf crossroads which needs upgrading.
The clerk will write to BT again.

6. **To Receive Report from Suffolk Police:** The police were not in attendance but had sent in a report stating there had been an attempted break-in in Fredericks Close at the end of April where locks had been damaged. PCSO Melissa Cohen will now be responsible for our village and has taken over from PCSO Joanne Adams. PC Sam Gilkes is the new PC covering this area.
7. **Open Forum for the Public:** No matters were brought up.
8. **Planning: (a) Application No: B/14/00412/FUL**
Location: Land west of Alton Water Visitor Centre, Holbrook Road, Stutton.
Proposal: Change of use of agricultural field to a campsite with ancillary service building and landscaping and access track.

The meeting was adjourned at 7.50p.m. for discussion.

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Councillors recommended refusal of the above application on the following grounds:

Concerns were raised about the increase of traffic on the narrow lanes as the SAT navs tend to send vehicles on the shortest routes.

Councillors concerned about site being open 24/7 with no-one on duty at night, this could lead to noise and anti-social behaviour problems.

If all ninety pitches were full at the same time this could mean that there could be between 200 and 300 people on the site which is far too large a number for a village site. This large scale proposal would resemble more of a holiday camp rather than a water park where people can enjoy more relaxing gentle pursuits.

(b) Planning Correspondence: Notification from Babergh District Council that planning permission has been granted for extensions to 3 Lemons Hill, Tattingstone.

9. **Correspondence requiring the immediate discussion at the discretion of the Chairman:**
Letter from Jane Kirk re: Village Recorder Role, she is requesting any information on major changes or alterations in the village. She is also asking for details of residents from Tattingstone who lost their

lives in World War I. Cllr. Smalley said the Church should have the details she requires.

Email from SALC: Re: courses in 2014.

Email from SALC: re: the date of their next meeting, 2nd June.

Letter from Babergh District Council re: Annual Playground Inspection. Cllr. Collins said after last year's report was received there were several problems which needed addressing and Cllr. Plumbly should have liaised with him but this had not happened. He will look into this matter.

Email from SALC: draft document on conduct at council meetings.

Email from D. Cllr. Trot Ward re: change in use of Section 106 monies. These can now be used for projects which have already been started and not just for new projects. Tattingstone currently have £5,484.00 available. Cllr. Self enquired what had happened to the proposed playground equipment for older children. Cllr. Collins said this proposal had been blocked by an adjoining neighbour. Cllr. Collins said he would set up a new sub-committee to look at purchasing some more new equipment.

10. Finance: Report from R.F.O, Cllr. Collins.

(a) Bank Balances: Community Account: £4,208.19

Business Premium Account: £3,163.22

(b) Cheque for Cllr. Stanger, Refreshment money

for Unveiling Ceremony £30.97

(c) Cheque for SALC yearly subscription £237.00

(d) Cheque for Clerk's wages and expenses £232.35

Cllr Collins referred to the accounts for 2013/14 which had been previously circulated and asked if there were any outstanding questions. The Accounts were then formally approved – proposed by Cllr Kerswell and seconded by Cllr Stanger.

11. Report from Playing Field Representative: Cllr. Self reported that the football club secretary is trying to encourage Capel St. Mary to use the playing field. Dennis Enefer had installed four dog fouling signs one of which has already been pulled out and thrown over a fence, this has now been reinstated. The tennis club are offering one hour's coaching free for six weeks for the younger children. The Playing Field and Village Hall are holding their AGMs on Thursday 29th May.

12. Hive Energy – Solar Park, Coxhall Road. Cllr. Collins said this

Appeal had now finished and they are awaiting the decision of the Inspector which now should be known in early June. He said the Inspector had been very encouraged by the number of people who had attended the Appeal Hearing. Cllr. Hurley enquired if Hive Energy are allowed to put in a second Appeal. Cllr. Collins said the only course open to them would be a Judicial Review.

- 13. Report on Alton Water User Group Meeting:** Cllr. Self reported that all Anglian Water reservoirs have now achieved Green Flag status. Anglian Water have put in a planning application for a 92 pitch campsite at the Stutton end of the reservoir. Visitor and angler numbers have increased significantly. Lemons Hill bridge still has problems with swimming and cars being parked on the bridge and Cllr. Self was asked to obtain the Parish Council's views on either making the bridge a clearway or having double yellow lines on the bridge. This will be put on the next Agenda.
- 14. Village of the Year:** Cllr. Mendel said the completed application had been sent in to Babergh. She said that John Roberts had printed off an A3 print of the new Information Board and this had been included. She said that several additions have been made to the village since we won the Award in 2011. Cllr. Stanger recorded a vote of thanks to Cllrs. Mendel and Hurley for their work in preparing the application.
- 15. Items for Next Agenda:**
Parish Newsletter.
Village Fete accounts.
Lemons Hill bridge, clearway/double yellow lines.

Cllr. Collins asked the councillors if they felt the next meeting scheduled for the 2nd June should go ahead as this was only two weeks away or cancel it and wait for the July meeting. Councillors wished the June meeting to go ahead.

Meeting closed at 8.50p.m.