

# THE STOURS PARISH COUNCIL

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## **To Members of the Council**

You are hereby summonsed to attend the next meeting of the Stours Parish Council on Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> September 2016 at 7.30pm at Stour Provost Village Hall.

Members of the Public and Press are welcome to attend.



Mrs M Cox

Clerk to the Council. 2<sup>nd</sup> September 2016

## **Reports, Pre-business matters items and Public participation**

- To receive items of interest from DCC and NDDC Ward Members followed by public discussion time (to a max of 30 Mins).
- To receive any items of interest from: - Footpath & Tree Liaison Officers; Flood Warden; and Transport Representative.

## **BUSINESS AGENDA**

1. Apologies for absence.
2. Disclosable Pecuniary Interests  
Members are reminded that if they have a Disclosable Pecuniary Interest (DPI) on their register relating to any item on this agenda, they may not take part in the debate and may not vote. If they have a DPI on any item that is not on their register they must declare that interest, take no part in the debate or vote and register such interest within 28 days.
3. To consider Grant of Dispensations.
4. To approve the minutes of the meeting held 14<sup>th</sup> July 2016.
5. Matters Arising
6. Casual Vacancies, one for East Stour ward and one for Todber ward  
These can now be filled by co-option  
To co-opt Mr Nigel Lithgow for the East Stour ward
7. Highway Matters
  - Todber (B3092)
  - Head Lane, East Stour
  - East Stour Crossroads
  - SIDs, East Stour and Todber and Stour Row
  - Hunger Hill, East Stour
  - Fifehead Magdalen Crossroads
  - Ideas/asures required to prevent the slip road to Provost Farm being used as a lay-by
  - Signage at Stour Provost crossroads

8. Planning Matters
  - See attached for list of planning applications and decisions received since last meeting.
9. Church Close, Todber  
Further correspondence received from Farnfields, Solicitors
10. Correspondence
  - Urgent Developments Ltd writing to ask approval to submit an application to alter the course of the footpath N75-13 (The Barn, Church Farm, West Stour) – the Council to respond accordingly.
  - An invitation received from Gillingham TC to send a parish council representative to attend their meeting on Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> September 2016 at 7pm regarding Dorset CCG's proposal to downgrade Westminster Hospital, Shaftesbury.
11. Dorset County Council Matters
  - Highways Working together
12. North Dorset District Council Matters
  - Response from Jacqui Andrews, Corporate Manager Democratic & Electoral services regarding the non-receipt of Police Crime Commissioner Polling cards in some wards. (previously circulated).
  - The Housing Enabling Team offering to attend a Parish Council meeting to explore affordable housing options – does the Council wish to invite an Officer?
13. To respond, as a council, to consultation document on Local Government Re-organisation in Dorset
14. Gillingham Southern Extension
15. New War Memorial East Stour
16. East Stour playing field proposed path
17. Telephone Kiosks  
East Stour  
Stour Provost  
Stour Row  
West Stour
18. Travellers
19. Superfast broadband  
Response from the Superfast team regarding the unavailability at SP7 0QJ
20. Community Speedwatch  
East Stour  
Stour Row  
Todber  
West Stour
21. Stour Row Well
22. All Saints, Stour Row
23. Stour Provost Cricket Club  
Secure storage facilities The Council to agree to the purchase of a steel shipping container costing between £1800 - £2000.

24. Stour Provost Barbarians

25. Review of grass cutting maintenance

26. Review of Bank Mandate Signatories

Lloyds Bank PLC and Scottish Widows Bank PLC

27. The Pensions Regulator

The Clerk has responded to the Chairman's letter offering to join a pension scheme.

28. DAPTC Annual General Meeting 5 November 2016

The Council resolves to mandate its representative to vote in accordance with the councils agreed view on any motions put before the DAPTC AGM and to use their discretion in the event of any original motion being amended.

29. Audit Year ending 31<sup>st</sup> March 2016

30. Finance – Accounts

Balances of Accounts from statements as at 31<sup>st</sup> August 2016 – NSB £4,964.92. Scottish Widows Bank – £18,703.54. Lloyds plc – awaiting statement

Included in these balances is £4110.00 which has been ring fenced for Clerk's gratuity (min ref 2010/94, 2015/022 & 67). The annual increment of £685 is now due (see min ref 2010/94).

See attached Income and Expenses for the period 1<sup>st</sup> July 2016 – 31<sup>st</sup> August 2016 and budget (2 monthly and financial year to date)

31. Finance – Payments:- To agree and direct payment of the following together with any others

- Gillingham Town Council - £426.72 (second half of Local Delivery Service)
- Mrs M Cox - £24.50 reimburse broadband
- Came & Company renewal of Local Council Insurance - tba
- BDO audit fee - tba

32. Items for information of Council

a) Chairman's

b) Clerks

Local Councils Update issue. Clerk & Councils Direct. All available at the meeting or from Clerk. DAPTC – Chief Executive's Circulars – previously circulated

c) Playing Fields and Equipment

East Stour

Stour Provost and the pavilion

Stour Row – Inspection report received from the Play Inspection Company dated 3/8/16

d) Crime

e) DAPTC

The next Northern Area meeting, which is the AGM takes place on 19<sup>th</sup> October at Sturminster Newton TC at 7pm. Cllr Parker will attend.

f) CPRE

Countryside Voice & Fieldwork publications. Dorset Review.

33. Items for the next meeting

34. Dates of Future Parish Council Meetings - future meetings are on Thursday evenings at 7.30pm  
10<sup>th</sup> November 2016 at East Stour, 12<sup>th</sup> January 2017 at Stour Row, 9<sup>th</sup> March 2017 at West Stour,  
11<sup>th</sup> May 2017 at Stour Provost, 13<sup>th</sup> July 2017 at East Stour, 14<sup>th</sup> September 2017 at Stour Row,  
9<sup>th</sup> November 2017 at West Stour.

***“Members are reminded that the Council has a general duty to consider the following matters in the exercise of any of its functions: Equal Opportunities (race, gender, sexual orientation, religion, marital status, age and any disability), Crime & Disorder, Health & Safety and Human Rights.”***