

# 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 9<sup>th</sup> March 2017 at 7.30pm at West Stour Village Hall.

Members of the Public and Press are welcome to attend.



Mrs M Cox

Clerk to the Council. 1<sup>st</sup> March 2017

### **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 Liaison Officers, Tree Wardens, 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 12<sup>th</sup> January 2017.

5. Matters Arising

- Trevor Vaughan, Chairman of Marnhull Parish Council has been advised that we have accepted his invitation and he will be in contact with the Parish Chairmen.

6. Highway Matters

- Todber (B3092). Response received from Mike Harries, Director for Environment and the Economy, DCC to our letter highlighting our concerns following his response dated 9<sup>th</sup> December about the protracted delay in implementing all the safety improvement measures on the B3092 at Todber.
- SIDs, East Stour, Todber and West Stour.
- Fifehead Magdalen Crossroads - the Vehicle Activated Sign has been installed.
- Drainage West Stour (A30)
- Community Speedwatch, East Stour, Todber and West Stour

7. Planning Matters

- Lower Mead, Stour Row, - possible unauthorised change of use of garden.
- See attached for list of planning applications and decisions received since last meeting.

8. Correspondence

- Information Commissioner's Office Data protection registration - confirmation of renewal our register entry has been renewed and the new expiry date is 23/02/2018. Registration reference: Z7472996.
- Copies of replies to the points raised at Simon Hoare MP's roundtable discussion, received from various bodies. (hard copies will be available at the meeting).
- Western Gazette Business Awards 2017 the Western Gazette (look there for details) – being held on 15 June in Yeovil, entries close 30 March. (E-mail circulated).

9. Dorset County Council Matters

10. North Dorset District Council Matters

- Proposed Tree Preservation Order TPO -571-2017 has been made at Byway, Common Lane, East Stour, Dorset, SP8 5NB, the reason that these trees are considered important for the amenity of the area.
- Future Dorset proposals for the reorganisation of local government. (more information of the vision at [www.futuredorset.co.uk](http://www.futuredorset.co.uk)).

11. Travellers and Gypsies

12. Gillingham Southern Extension

13. All Saints, Stour Row

14. Food Fair, East Stour

15. Litter Problem

16. Westminster Hospital, Shaftesbury

Update - letter from Simon Hoare MP circulated.

17. Tree Charter Survey

Would the council like to get involved with the local charter branch or set one up if there isn't one? (email sent 13/2/17 with survey).

18. Risk Assessment

19. Finance – Accounts

Balances of Accounts from statements as at 28<sup>th</sup> February 2017 – NSB £4,994.75. Scottish Widows Bank – £8,732.38. Lloyds plc – awaiting statement

Included in these balances is £4795.00 which has been ring fenced for Clerk's gratuity (min ref 2010/94, 2015/022 & 67 & 2016/165).

See attached Income and Expenses for the period 1<sup>st</sup> January 2017 – 28<sup>th</sup> February 2017 and budget (2 monthly and financial year to date)

20. Finance – Payments: - To agree and direct payment of the following together with any others that might be received.

- Cllr J Parker - £48.15 travel expenses to DAPTC Northern Area meetings 10/3/16 – 5/11/17
- Mrs M Cox - £32.85 reimburse broadband
- To consider a grant to Read Easy, Gillingham and Shaftesbury
- To consider a grant to North Dorset Citizens Advice Bureau
- To consider a grant to Dorset and Somerset Air Ambulance

21. Ideas/ways to shorten the agenda

22. 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

d) Crime

e) DAPTC - the next Northern Area is on Thursday 27<sup>th</sup> April 2017 at Gillingham Town Council Offices.

DAPTC Annual Conference 23<sup>rd</sup> March 2017 at Kingston Maurward College, would anybody like to attend?

f) CPRE

North Dorset CPRE Spring Party Thursday, 6<sup>th</sup> April at the Old Rectory, Fifehead Neville.  
The AGM is on Thursday, 13<sup>th</sup> April 2017 at 5pm at Clayesmore School, Iwerne Minster.  
Countryside Voice & Fieldwork publications. Dorset Review.

23. Items for the next meeting

The next meeting is the Annual Parish Council meeting.

24. Dates of Future Parish Council Meetings - future meetings are on Thursday evenings at 7.30pm  
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.”***