

THE STOURS PARISH COUNCIL

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To Members of the Council

You are hereby summonsed to attend The Annual Meeting of The Stours Parish Council which will be held on

Thursday 9th May 2019 at 7.30 pm in East Stour Village Hall

Members of the Public and Press are invited to attend.



Mrs M Cox, Clerk to the Council. 2nd May 2019

Reports, Pre-business matters items and Public participation

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

BUSINESS AGENDA

1. Election of Chairman
2. Election of Vice-Chairman
3. Welcome and introduction of new councillors
4. Apologies for absence
5. 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.
6. To consider Grant of Dispensations.
7. Appointment to Village Hall Committees
8. To confirm Policy and Resources Committee
9. To confirm Playing Field Committees for East Stour and Stour Provost

10. To appoint members to represent the Parish Council for DAPTC, CPRE, DC, Transport, Highways, Flood Warden, Crime and Homewatch.
11. To confirm Rights of Way Officers and Tree Wardens
12. Resolutions by Statute
To review the lists of deeds and trusts held by Lloyds Bank PLC.
To appoint & confirm Trustees for the National Savings & Investment Account – Cllr Mrs J Watkins, and two others.
13. To Approve the Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on 14th March 2019 and 17th April 2019
14. Matters Arising
Telephone kiosk 01747 838231, East Stour
15. Casual Vacancy for Todber ward
16. Travellers and Gypsies
17. Planning Matters
 - 2/2019/0470/FUL, Land at E 378449 N 121922, Higher Farm, Fifehead Magdalen Construct solar farm and associated development, including perimeter fencing, CCTV cameras and landscaping – Parish Council’s response.
 - See attached list for applications and decisions received since last meeting.
18. Dorset Council Matters
Town and parish council newsletter dated 12.4.19 (previously circulated)
19. Highway Matters
 - SIDs
 - Community Speedwatch
20. Pleck, East Stour
21. Gillingham Southern Extension
22. Correspondence
Citizens Advice Dorchester, Sherborne & Districts & North Dorset thanking the Council for their very generous grant of £1000.
Dorset and Somerset Air Ambulance thanking us for the generous donation of £500, for our support and thinking of the Dorset and Somerset Air Ambulance.
Read Easy Gillingham and Shaftesbury thanking the Parish Council for their donation of £300 and they are very grateful for our support in the work they do, which will enable Read Easy to continue their service for those adults who need help to improve their reading skills.
23. Finance
Accounts
Balances of Accounts from statements as at 30th April 2019 – NSB £11,225.90. Scottish Widows Bank – £10,738.92, Lloyds Bank plc – £3292.36
Included in these balances is £6,165 which has been ring fenced for Clerk’s gratuity (min ref 2010/94, 2015/022 & 67, 2016/165 & 2017/114, 2018/113 & 2018/133).
See attached Income & Expenses for the period 1st March 2019 – 30th April 2019.
Budget for 1st April to 30th April 2019 distributed.
The Council to **approve** the accounts for the period 1st March 2019 – 30th April 2019.

Payments

To **agree and direct payment** of the following together with any others received by the clerk before this meeting:-

- To authorise the Annual Subscription payment to DAPTC – £530.83
- Renew CPRE membership – due 1/6/19 – £36
- Local Delivery Project First Instalment - To pay Gillingham Town Council - £213
- Reimburse broadband Mrs M Cox £32.50
- East Stour Village newsletter grant - £500
- West Stour Village Hall hire - £10
- Dorset Council empty trade litter bin Witch Lane (1/4/19 -31/3.20) - £124.80
- Karen James – mowing Stour Row Church & Village Hall - £300
- To agree in principle £685 for the repair/replacement of Todber Millennium bench
- To consider a grant of £250 for Stour Row website.
- Six solar panels for SID poles £175 each (previously agreed but these are larger & cost more)

Financial regulations

To review Lloyds Bank PLC direct debit mandates held: - Wessex Water (water2business) payment on demand (dated 17.4.19), Her Majesty's Revenue & Customs (HMRC) to collect variable amounts (dated 16.4.14) and npower to collect variable amounts (dated 21.8.14) and Scottish Widows (dated 5.6.17).

24. Audit for the Year End 31st March 2019

Section 1 – The Annual Governance Statement 2018/19 to be **approved** by the council.

Section 2 – The council to **approve** the Accounting Statements for the financial year 2018/2019.

25. Items for information of Council

- a) Chairman's report
- b) Clerk's
 - Local Councils update. The Clerk Journal. Clerk & Councils Direct and LCR.
 - DAPTC – Chief Executive's Circulars – previously circulated
- c) Playing Fields
 - East Stour -
 - Stour Provost
 - Stour Row
- d) Crime
- e) DAPTC – Northern Area Meeting is Wednesday 17th July 2019, Sturminster Newton Town Council offices.
- f) CPRE - Countryside Voice & Fieldwork publications.

26. Items for the next meeting

27. Dates of Future Parish Council Meetings are on Thursday evenings at 7.30pm.

11th July 2019 at Stour Provost, 12th September 2019 at Stour Row, 14th November 2019 at West Stour, 9th January 2020 at Stour Provost, 12th March 2020 at East Stour, 14th May 2020 at Stour Row, 9th July 2020 at West Stour, 10th September 2020 at Stour Provost, 12th November 2020 at East 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.”