

STIFFKEY PARISH COUNCIL
Chairman: Mr Lawrence Jordan

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PARISH COUNCIL MEETINGS FOR 2005

Monday 10th January

Monday 7th February

Monday 7th March

Monday 4th April

Monday 9th May

Monday 6th June

Monday 4th July

Monday 12th September

Monday 3rd October

Monday 7th November

Monday 5th December

Minutes of Stiffkey Parish Council Meeting held on Monday 10th January 2005 at 7.00pm.

Present: Lawrence Jordan (Chairman), Cherry Martin, Eddie Procter and Michael Jordan

In attendance: Councillor Jonathan Savory, the Clerk and 4 Parishioners

Apologies: Stanley Sutton, Karen Pickles, Mark Harrison and Councillor Derek Baxter

There were no declarations of interest.

1 Minutes

The Minutes of the last meeting held on Monday 6th December 2004 were read approved and signed as a true record by the Chairman.

2 Matters Arising

Winter Gritting The Councillors agreed representation should be made to the Highways Department to request if the Cockthorpe to Stiffkey Road could be included in the winter gritting programme.

3 Correspondence

Mr Peter Thomas - Offer of a replacement Ash tree at the bottom of the Greenway

Norfolk County Council:

- A149 Pedestrian Safety
- East of England plan : Consultation Document
- Norfolk Matters

Norfolk Police Authority Budget Consultation Financial Year 2005/2006 Open Meeting for the business sector and the general public – Monday 24th January 2005

Environment Agency - North Norfolk Catchment Abstraction Management Strategy Consultation Document

4 Finance

The following invoices were approved for payment:

- **E.on Energy** Monthly energy charge £28.77
- **Alfred McAlpine** – Public Lighting Maintenance for December £48.96

Requests for donations were received from:

- Fakenham and Wells citizens Advice Bureau - £25 donation agreed
- Local Lynx - £25 donation was agreed

Audit Commission The Clerk was pleased to report that the annual audit has now been successfully completed and no queries raised.

EDF Energy - New Contract Information following the change from E.on Energy to EDF Energy.

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5 Planning

The following planning application had been received:

Stiffkey Old Hall, Church Street - Installation of stairs and viewing platform in North West Tower - The Councillors had no objection to this application.

The following Notice of Decision has been received:

6 Holy Road - Alterations and Extensions to Holiday Accommodation - Permission for Development

5 Reports

Bangay Lane The Chairman informed the meeting that he felt that the situation regarding unauthorised access has begun to improve but he would have a better indication later in the year.

Overhanging Vegetation The Chairman informed the Councillors that a further meeting had taken place with Mr White regarding the Clerk's request to cut back of the overhanging vegetation. Mr White had expressed his concern at the continual complaints against him.

Mr Michael Jordan proposed that Mr White had already been given ample opportunity to cut back the vegetation and felt that the Highways Department should be requested to cut back the vegetation if Mr White did not take the appropriate action. The Chairman suggested that he would visit Mr White again and agree a timescale for the vegetation to be cut back.

Speeding Traffic Eddie Proctor once again raised the issue of traffic speeding through the village and suggested that more prominent signage may help to alleviate the problem. It was with regret that the Council noted that speed restriction signs on the road surface e.g. 'SLOW' were no longer used to help reduce speed by the Highways Department and the speed restriction signs were a uniform size issued by the Highways Department

Camping Hill The Chairman had received a complaint regarding a disturbance at Camping Hill but had explained that this was not an issue for the Parish Council but one that was for the residents of Camping Hill to deal together and express their concerns to the Police if the problem continued.



Report from Councillor Jonathan Savory

Freedom Of Information Act 2000

This act is intended to promote openness and accountability amongst public sector bodies including North Norfolk District Council by providing people with rights of access to information held by the council.

It is expected these new rights will provide the public with a better understanding of how authorities operate, arrive at the decisions they do and most importantly how the council spend public money.

As from January 1st 2005 everyone anywhere in the world will have the right to make a request for any information held by North Norfolk District Council, the council will then have 20 working days to respond in order to comply with the act.

However, there are exemptions that permit the withholding of certain information where non-disclosure outweighs the public interest in disclosure.

Wells Cottage Hospital

The future of the hospital is in jeopardy again, North Norfolk Primary Care Trust have recently closed beds at Kelling, North Walsham and Benjamin Court, lets hope that a combination of public pressure and common sense prevail so that patients can continue to recuperate in their local community.

Licensing Act 2003

This act, which I have reported on previously, will finally come into effect in February 2005. This work is being transferred from the magistrate's courts and comes without any funding from central government.

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3rd February 2005

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- 1 Apologies
- 2 Declarations of Interest on the Agenda
- 3 Minutes of the January Meeting
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- 9 Parishioners Question Time

Date of Next Meeting: Monday 7th March 2005 at 7.00pm

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Apologies: Karen Pickles

There were no declarations of interest.

1 Minutes

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2 Matters Arising

Overhanging Vegetation The Chairman informed the Councillors that he had been unable to arrange a meeting with Mr White but would endeavour to do so before the next meeting regarding the Clerk's request to cut back of the overhanging vegetation.

3 Correspondence

Norfolk Constabulary - Withdrawal of the Police Liaison Officer initiative

North Norfolk County Council:

- Nelson Bicentennial Celebrations 2005
- Car Parking Policy
- Conference on Crime and Disorder and Anti-Social Behaviour - Friday 4th March

Office of the Deputy Prime Minister - Freedom of Information Act 2000 - Authorisations of the qualified person and amendments to Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972

Norfolk County Council:

- Local Bus Variation

Norman Lamb MP - Ofcom Consultation : Universal Service Obligation

Improvements and Development Agency for Local Government - Re National Training Steering Group Project – Chairmanship Skills Development

4 Finance

The following invoices were approved for payment:

Audit Commission £58.75

E.on Energy Monthly unmetered supplies £28.77

Alfred McAlpine £143.28

Alfred McAlpine standing order for public lighting maintenance contract



5 A O B

Village Hall It was felt that a diary of the village hall bookings would be useful to the Councillors to enable them to see how much the hall is in use and to also be given an indication as to the income from hall lettings.

Concern was also expressed regarding the indication that there was the possible use of illegal substance at a recent 'outside' booking.

The Chairman suggested that Jamie and Alison Lawrence should be invited to attend the next Parish Council meeting to discuss the Village Hall in general.

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Signage The Councillors agreed that a sign to indicate that the Bangay Greenway is a 'Bridleway Footpath Only' would be ordered by the Clerk.

District Councillors Notebook by Jonathan Savory

Wells Cottage Hospital

At the time of writing this report the future of the hospital is still not assured. North Norfolk Primary Care Trust have said that a locum qualified nurse from their senior management team will be installed in the hospital but have refused to announce a date for its reopening. My member colleagues at North Norfolk District Council are aware that the trust has closed a large number of beds throughout the district and therefore fully supported a motion I put forward at a meeting of the Full Council.

The Save Wells Hospital Campaign led by Mr Peter Rainsford and the local newspapers are doing a great job in highlighting the main issues involved and ensuring that NNPCT are doing what they say they intend to do.

Lets look forward to a firm date for reopening our fine hospital and also keeping it open.

Additional Tax On Second Homes

The additional tax raised from second homes in 2004/05 has been distributed to reflect the apportionment of council tax between the three precepting authorities,

Norfolk County Council 80%, Norfolk Police Authority 11% and NNDC 9%.

Across the County Norfolk County Council will raise an estimated £2.4 million, £1.05 million of which has been generated in North Norfolk, the Council had received 50% of this back but feel this is not enough. Norfolk County Council have now agreed to hand back 75% which will be reallocated within North Norfolk.

It is recommended that 2/3rds of this should be ring fenced for affordable housing, the remaining 1/3rd to be spent on community projects

Parish Review

In October 2003 I reported that North Norfolk District Council were to undertake a review of parish boundaries and electoral arrangements, this review was launched in December 2003, the first stage invited submissions from individuals for changes to existing arrangements. There has been no request to change the boundaries in the Wells parish or indeed any of the other village parishes within Priory Ward.



Report from Councillor Derek Baxter

Wells Cottage Hospital

News has been leaked to indicate that the Cottage Hospital may become a Hospice.

The Friends of the Hospital have recently raised 80% towards the provision of equipment. The Primary Care Trust has not said that the hospital will close, but neither will they give any indication as when it might re-open.

The Councillors unanimously agreed that a letter of support for the re-opening of the Cottage Hospital would be sent to the Primary Care Trust

Civil Marriages The Victoria Hotel, Holkham has applied for civil marriages to be held on their premises.

Wiveton Downs A 5 year management plan is now under discussion with the County Council, Wiveton Parish Council and Defra to reintroduce grazing as traditional management on the Downs.

Langham School Has obtained permission for the classroom extension.

Council Tax It is anticipated that the Council Tax increase for 2005 – 2006 will be under 4%.



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Date of Next Meeting: Monday 4th April 2005 at 7.00pm

Please note as from the 26th March the contact address for the Parish Clerk will be:

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2 Matters Arising

Signage - The Clerk informed the Councillors that the sign for Bangay Lane has been ordered..

Overhanging Vegetation - The Chairman would go to see Mr White as soon as time allowed to request that the vegetation overhanging his wall in ~~Bridge~~^{Church} Street is cut back as requested by the Clerk earlier in the year.

Village Hall - The Chairman informed the Councillors that a meeting of the Village Hall Committee would be held on Thursday 10th March. The Chairman reminded all the Councillors that they serve on the Village Hall Committee as Trustees on behalf of the Parish Council and felt that the meeting would give an ideal opportunity for any questions or queries to be raised regarding hall bookings. The Chairman informed the Councillors that ~~Michael~~^{Michael & Alison} and Alison Lawrence had indicated that they would be pleased to hand over the management and responsibility of the village hall to any volunteers who wished to come forward.

3 Correspondence

North Norfolk District Council

- Day Out in North Norfolk 2005 - Hosted by the North Norfolk Railway at Holt on Friday 22nd April 10.00am – 4.00pm
- East Area Meeting 21st March /West Area Meeting 2nd March – Cancelled
- Notice of Meetings
- Agenda for Planning Meeting 24th February
- **Norfolk County Council:**
Traffic Management Act

Norman Lamb MP - Meeting between Parish Councils and the Head of Planning, NNDC - Thursday 10th March 2005 at Holt Community Centre at 6.00pm.

Standards Board - A Code for the Future

Office of the Deputy Prime Minister - Citizens Engagement and Public Services Why Neighbourhoods Matter

Defra – Re Clean Neighbourhoods and Environment Bill

Shaping the future - Norfolk on the move



4 Finance

The following invoice has been received for payment:

E.on Energy unmetered supply for March £28.77

A request has been received for financial assistance towards the upkeep of the Churchyard - The Clerk would investigate if and when donations have been made in the past.

5 Matters for Information

Street Light The street light opposite the village shop is not working – the Clerk will inform the contractors.

Village Shop The Councillors were very sorry to hear that Mr and Mrs Gambrill have decided to give up the village store although it is understood that they will not give up until they have found someone else to take it on.

Overhanging Vegetation in Church Street The Clerk was requested to contact the Highways Department to request that the overhanging vegetation is cut back through the Street.

5 Reports

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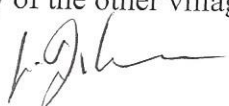
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31st March 2005

The next Parish Council Meeting will be held on **MONDAY 4th APRIL 2005 in the Village Hall at 7.00pm.** All parishioners are welcome to attend.

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- 1 Apologies
- 2 Declarations of Interest on the Agenda
- 3 Minutes of the March Meeting
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- 6 Finance
- 7 Planning Application
 - 7:1 7 Bridge Street - Erection of first floor extension and replacement Conservatory
 - 7:2 Shereen 4 Greenway – Erection of replacement side extension
- 8 Reports for Information
- 9 Parishioners Question Time

Date of Next Meeting which will be the Annual Report to Parishioners will be held on Monday 9th May 2005 at 7.00pm

Please note the contact address for the Parish Clerk is:

Morning Flight, 42 High Street, Blakeney, Holt, Norfolk, NR25 7AL

Minutes of Stiffkey Parish Council Meeting held on Monday 4th April 2005 at 7.00pm

Present: Lawrence Jordan (Chairman), Cherry Martin, Eddie Procter, Stanley Sutton, Mark Harrison, Karen Pickles and Michael Jordan

In attendance: Councillor Jonathan Savory, Councillor Derek Baxter, the Clerk and 3 Parishioners

Declaration of Interest - Cherry Martin declared an interest in connection with the planning application for 7 Bridge Street, Stiffkey.

1 Minutes

The Minutes of the last meeting held on Monday 7th March 2005 were read approved and signed as a true record by the Chairman.

2 Matters Arising

Overhanging Vegetation - Following concerns raised at the last meeting the Chairman was pleased to inform the Councillors that the vegetation overhanging the wall in Church Street has been cut back as requested by the Clerk earlier in the year.

Village Hall Committee Meeting Karen Pickles informed the Councillors that the scheduled meeting had taken place on the 10th March but only 6 people were in attendance, she had taken over the role as Treasurer. The overheads for the hall are approximately £1,000 per year and due to the donation from the Village Fete Committee the hall has run at a profit for the past year. Without the donations from the Fete Committee there would be an average loss of £200 to £300 per year. It has been agreed that some of the charges will be slightly increased to ensure that if the donation from the Village Fete Committee is discounted the hall will not run at a loss.

Street Light The Clerk informed the Council that the fault with the light outside the Post Office has been reported.

Post Office No further news is available regarding the change of ownership.

3 Correspondence

North Norfolk District Council

- New Planning System for North Norfolk

Standards Board - A Code for the Future

Norfolk County Council

- Local Bus Contracts being Reviewed to start September 2005
- Norfolk Matters Issue Number 15

Norfolk County Association of Parish and Town Councils - Norfolk Link Issue 145

K A McDougall Expressing concern regarding the speed of traffic through the village



4 Planning

- The following planning applications have been received:

7 Bridge Street - Erection of first floor extension and replacement Conservatory - The Parish Councillors had no objection to this application

- Shereen 4 Greenway – Erection of replacement side extension - The Parish Councillors had no objection to this application

5 Finance

The following invoices were approved for payment:

- Norfolk County Association of Parish and Town Council - £76.26
- E.on Energy Monthly energy charge for March £28.77
- Clerk salary and Expenses £300

6 A O B

Speeding Traffic Once again concerns were raised regarding the speed of traffic through the village. The Chairman reminded the Councillors and parishioners that when the speed check survey had been carried there had unfortunately been no evidence at that time of vehicles breaking the speed limit. The Councillors were in agreement that the measures taken to reduce the speed of traffic along the A49 had not worked and the provision of a flashing speed reduction light was not within the means of the Parish Council. The Councillors agreed that the Clerk would write again to the Chief Constable to register their concern and to request that more speed checks are carried out to help deter regular offenders.

Signs The footpath signs have still not been replaced and the Clerk will contact Sarah Price to enquire when new signs will be put in place.

Rodent Control Concerns were raised regarding the NNDC's current policy following the introduction of charges for rodent control by the NNDC. Because people were not prepared to pay for this service the initial charges had been reduced but it had become obvious that people still did not wish to pay the reduced charge and the problem of the rats continues.

Underground Telephone Lines John Pearson informed the Councillors that some work for the provision of underground telephone lines are now being carried out to his property but assured the Councillors that once the pipe work had been laid the road surface would be redone to match the current traffic calming colour.

Report from Councillor John Sizer *Saverly*

Council Housing Proposed Stock Transfer

The tenants ballot has now been completed the result of which is in favour of transfer of the housing stock from North Norfolk District Council to the North Norfolk Housing Trust. Total votes cast numbered 4387 out of an eligible 5775 which equals a turnout of 76%

J. Sizer

Tenants in favour were 64% compared to 36% against
Approval will be sought from the Secretary of State to proceed with the transfer.

The Local Development Framework

The Government recently announced a comprehensive overhaul of the planning system. The new system is based on a two tier set of plans the Regional Spatial Strategy for the East of England and the documents contained in the Local Development Framework.

The Local Development Framework will replace the existing Local Plan which is only applicable to planning policies.

The LDF will be much more expansive and will embrace such issues as environmental protection, economic development and the provision of community facilities.

The existing Local Plan policies will continue to be effective until the LDF is adopted in approximately three years.

The Cabinet

It is expected that there will be a reshuffle in the Cabinet at the Full Council meeting of 13 April. The Cabinet is the main decision making committee of the District Council and is wholly made up of nine members of the Liberal Democrat Group.

Decisions of the Cabinet can be "called in " by the Scrutiny Committee which is made up of 8 Liberal Democrat, 5 Conservative and 1 Independent members.



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1st May 2005

The Annual General Meeting of Stiffkey Parish Council will be held on **MONDAY 9th MAY 2005** in the Village Hall at 7.00pm following the Annual Report to Parishioners. All parishioners are welcome to attend.

A G E N D A

- 1 Apologies
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Vice Chairman
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 - 8 Planning Application
 - 8:1 80 – 82 Wells Road – Erection of one and a half storey extension
 - 8:2 River House, 1 Bridge Street - Removal of door and window and installation of replacement window
- Notice of Decision
Shereen, 4 Greenway – Erection of replacement side extension – Permission for development
- 9 Reports for Information
 - 9 Parishioners Question Time

Date of Next Meeting which will be Monday 6th June 2005 at 7.00pm

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Present: Lawrence Jordan (Chairman), Cherry Martin, Karen Pickles, Eddie Procter, Mark Harrison and Michael Jordan

In attendance: Jonathan Savory, the Clerk and 3 Parishioners

Apologies: Stanley Sutton and Councillor Derek Baxter

There were no declarations of interest.

Election of Officers

The Parish Council unanimously elected the following Officers:

Chairman: Lawrence Jordan
Vice Chairman: Mark Harrison

1 Minutes

The Minutes of the last meeting held on Monday 4th April 2005 were read approved and signed as a true record by the Chairman.

2 Matters Arising

Signing of Public Rights of Way The Clerk will contact the Countryside Officer, Sarah Price and request a meeting with the Chairman to discuss the lack of signs for the public rights of way.

3 Correspondence

North Norfolk District Council:

- Planning consultation and related matters following the meeting between Parish Councils and the North Norfolk District Council organized by Norman Lamb

Norfolk County Council:

- Passenger Transport Board
- Community Transport Guide for Norfolk

Norfolk Wildlife Trust - Wise-up to wildlife

4 Finance

The following invoices were approved for payment:

Allianz Cornhill £303.95

E.on Energy £28.77

A Curtis Grass Cutting Expenses £6.30

Income

Vat Refund £229.72

Recycling credit £19.33

Precept 1st instalment £1700



5 Planning

The following planning applications had been received:

80 –82 Wells Road – Erection of one and half storey extension – The Parish Council had no objections to this application

River House, 1 Bridge Street – Removal of door and window and installation of replacement window
- The Parish Council had no objection to this application

Notice of Decision - Shereen, 4 Greenway – Erection of replacement side extension – Permission for development.

Notice - Hawthorne, 62A Holly Road Erection of single-storey extension and raising of roof to provide first floor bedroom accommodation - application withdrawn.

6 Matters for Information

Overnight Parking Concerns were raised regarding the illegal parking of overnight vehicles and caravans at the bottom of the Greenway and the unauthorised use of the caravan facilities. It was felt an appropriately worded notice informing visitors that “No Overnight Camping and Caravans by order of the National Trust” was needed. The Councillors agreed that the Clerk would contact John Sizer at the National Trust to arrange a meeting with the Chairman of the Parish Council to get this issue resolved.

Flood Level Notice The sign at the junction of Bridge Street has become obscured by vegetation - Mark Harrison offered to tidy the area.

Road Sweeping Concerns were raised regarding the amount of rubbish in the street between the shop and Bridge Street. The Clerk would contact the Norfolk County Council Highways representative to request that the street is cleaned and to meet th Chairman to discuss any other outstanding issues.

Greenway Concerns were once again expressed regarding the state of the bottom of the Greenway and it was agreed that these concerns would be conveyed to the National Trust

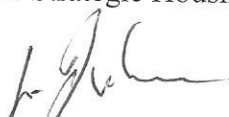
Village Hall Annual General Meeting - Mr A Curtis expressed his concern regarding the lack of notification of the Village Hall Annual General Meeting. Mr Curtis was assured that the appropriate notices advertising the Annual General Meeting had been on display in the notice boards.

Overhanging Branches concerns were raised regarding overhanging branches growing through the electricity lines and it was agreed the Clerk would request that an inspection is carried out by Alfred McAlpine.

5 Reports

Report from Jonathan Savory

North Norfolk District Council has been chosen to be a Regional Champion for Homelessness, this is in recognition of the work of the Strategic Housing Service.



There are thirteen regional champions in total, it is interesting to note that North Norfolk is the only rural based authority.

North Norfolk was chosen because they have demonstrated their strengths in tackling and preventing homelessness.

It is expected that each champion will work with other local authorities to provide support and share good practice.

Funding of up to £17,000 will be received by each champion in recognition of the work involved in participation of the programme.

It is good to report that from a taxpayers point of view the government are providing funding for something extra the authority is undertaking.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'L. John' or similar, written in a cursive style.

Chairman's Report

Mr L Jordan Chairman of the Council thanked the Councillors for their support during the past year and also expressed his thanks and that of the Council to Councillor Jonathan Savory, Councillor Derek Baxter and the Clerk.

In October the Councillors were very sad to received Mary Gerrard's resignation from the Council. Mary's considerable support and help over the past few years had been much appreciated. Following the formal advertisement to advertise the vacancy the Councillors were pleased to co-opt Eddie Procter on to the Council

During the year a joint meeting had taken place between Lord Buxton, John Sizer from the National Trust and the Parish Council. The meeting had given all parties an opportunity to discuss issues of concern relating to the unauthorised access. The National Trust and Lord Buxton were in agreement to the concerns raised by the Councillors and agreed that some appropriate signage may resolve the problem.

Reclassification of the RUPPS The Greenway, Width Appeal - The Inspector had issued his report following an appeal regarding the width of the Greenway. The Inspector had originally stated that the Greenway was 10 metres wide but following his report 4 residents in the Greenway had appealed against the width stating that it was 6 metres wide. The Inspector had upheld the appeal and the Greenway had therefore been reduced to 6 metres.

The Clerk had obtained advice from the Senior Legal Officer, Ms Denise Bales and she has indicated that it is unlikely that any action will be taken by the County Council to reinstate the width of the public right of way if the public can still exercise the right of passage with or without vehicles and to bear in mind that the width is currently protected at 6 metres.

The Chairman was sorry to report that the Parish Council had still been enable to make any further progress regarding the surplus land at Camping Hill.

There continues to be a problem with the disappearance of signs throughout the village, it is still not known who has a fascination for the collection of these signs but they are now due to replaced once again by the local authority.

The Parish Council had considered 10 planning applications during the past year.

The Chairman wished to record a particular vote of thanks to Mr Alan Curtis and Mr Eddie Procter for their help in the village.

The homewatch scheme continues to work very well and is an asset to the village as was the Shop and Post Office.

The Village Hall and Sports /Playing Field had been run in their usual very efficient manner under the guidance of Stanley Sutton and his Committee and Alison and Jamie Lawrence and their Committee.

Finally the Chairman thanked everyone who had helped keep the village in such neat and tidy order; it was a credit to everyone.

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The Chairman wished to record a particular vote of thanks to Mr Alan Curtis and Mr Eddie Procter for their help in the village.

The homewatch scheme continues to work very well and is an asset to the village as was the Shop and Post Office.

The Village Hall and Sports /Playing Field had been run in their usual very efficient manner under the guidance of Stanley Sutton and his Committee and Alison and Jamie Lawrence and their Committee.

Finally the Chairman thanked everyone who had helped keep the village in such neat and tidy order; it was a credit to everyone.

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1st June 2005

The next Parish Council Meeting will be held on **MONDAY 6th JUNE 2005 in the Village Hall at 7.00pm.** All parishioners are welcome to attend.

A G E N D A

- 1 Apologies
- 2 Declarations of Interest on the Agenda
- 3 Minutes of the May Meeting
- 4 Matters Arising
- 5 Correspondence
- 6 Finance
- 7 Planning Application
 - 7:1 46 Wells Road, - Demolition of existing cottage and erection of two replacement detached cottages and garages
- 8 Reports for Information
- 9 Parishioners Question Time

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1st May 2005

The Annual Report to Parishioners will be held on **MONDAY 9th MAY 2005** at 7.00pm in **STIFFKEY VILLAGE HALL** All parishioners are welcome to attend.

This will be followed by the Annual General Meeting of the Parish Council.

A G E N D A - ANNUAL REPORT TO PARISHIONERS

- 1 Apologies
- 2 Minutes of previous Annual Parish Council Meeting
- 3 Presentation of the Annual Report of the Council
- 4 Accounts for the year ended 31st March 2005

*Tricia Temple-Crowe
Clerk to Stiffkey Parish Council
1st May 2005*

Minutes of Stiffkey Annual Report to Parishioners held on Monday 10th May 2004 at 7.00pm.

Present: L Jordan (Chairman), M Gerrard, M Jordan C Martin, K Pickles
M Jordan and M Harrison

In attendance: Councillor D Baxter, Councillor J Savory the Clerk and 3 parishioners

1 Minutes

The Minutes of the last Annual Parish Meeting held on Monday 8th May 2003 were read approved and signed as a true record by the Chairman.

2 Annual Report

Appreciation Mr L Jordan Chairman of the Parish Council thanked the Councillors for their support during the past year and also expressed his thanks and that of the Council to Councillor Jonathan Savory, Councillor Derek Baxter and the Clerk.

Public Inquiry The past year had finally seen the Public Enquiry take place regarding the reclassification of the RUPS although the outcome had been very disappointing. It is not know if anyone has formally appealed against any of the decisions taken by the Inspector.

Traffic Calming Measures The Councillors organised a site meeting earlier in the year with representatives from the Highways Department regarding the concerns raised about traffic speeding through the village. However despite two hours in the street with a speed gun insufficient evidence of traffic going over the speed limit had been collected to enable any further action to be taken.

Re-siting of the Village Hall In response to a very well attended meeting by the residents of Stiffkey (40 + people were in attendance). It was agreed that the village hall would remain in its present location.

Surplus Land The Chairman was sorry to report that the Parish Council had still been enable to acquire the surplus land at Camping Hill. The Parish Council had accepted that 'best value' denies the Parish Council the opportunity of leasing the land from the North Norfolk District Council at a peppercorn rent for the provision of a conservation site.

The Parish Council had therefore suggested that the land should be used to provide social housing under the exemptions policy.

Signage There had been a problem throughout the last year with the disappearance of signs throughout the village, it is still not known who has a fascination for the collection of these signs but they have now been replaced once again by the local authority.



2 Chairman's Annual Report

Planning The Parish Council had considered 6 planning applications during the past year.

The Chairman wished to record a particular vote of thanks to Mr Alan Curtis and Mr Eddie Procter for their help in the village.

The homewatch scheme was working very well and an asset to the village as was the Shop and Post Office.

The Village Hall and Playing Field Committees had been run in their usual very efficient manner.

Finally the Chairman thanked everyone who had helped keep the village in such neat and tidy order; it was a credit to everyone.

3 Finance Report

The Clerk presented the annual accounts for the year ending 31st March 2004 (copy enclosed in the Minute Book) that were unanimously approved and duly signed by the Chairman and Clerk.

There being no further business the Annual Parish Council Meeting closed at 8.00pm.

