

THE STOURS PARISH COUNCIL

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NOTICE OF A VIRTUAL MEETING OF THE STOURS PARISH COUNCIL

To Members of the Council

You are hereby summonsed to attend a **virtual meeting** of the Stours Parish Council which will take place on Thursday 14th January 2021 at 7.30pm



Mrs M Cox

Clerk to the Council. 7th January 2021

Reports, Pre-business matters items and Public participation

- There will be a **3-minute** public consultation period before the Council meeting opens for the public to ask questions on any items on the Agenda or other matters of interest or concern that they wish to bring to the attention of the Parish Council. Items not on the agenda will be taken to the next meeting.
- To receive items of interest from Dorset Council Ward Members
- To receive any items of interest from: - Footpath Liaison Officer, Tree Wardens, Transport Representative.

The meeting will be recorded for the Parish Council's records only.

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 12th November 2020.
5. Matters Arising
6. Appointment of a New Clerk to Stours Parish Council
7. Casual Vacancy for Stour Provost ward
To co-opt Olwen Patrick (known as Polly Patrick)
8. Correspondence
Guy Gilding has resigned as Playing field officer for East Stour.
Letter from Mrs Diana West (Internal auditor) thanking the council for the garden gift vouchers and that she is most grateful for the councillors' consideration.
9. To Confirm Playing Field Officers for East Stour

10. Planning Matters

- Notice of Making a Public Path Diversion and Definitive Map and Statement Modification Order Highways Act 1980. Wildlife Countryside Act 1981, Dorset Council (Part of footpath 13, West Stour, Church Farm) public Path Diversion Order 2020).
- See attached for list of planning applications and decisions received since last meeting.

11. Dorset Council Matters

Roger Bell, Communities Highway Officer is being promoted, he will be a Project Engineer for Democratic Services. Enrico Di Marino will be his replacement.
Notice of Confirmation of Public Path Diversion and Definitive Map and Statement Modification Order, Highways act 1980 Wildlife and Countryside Act 1981, Dorset Council (Part of Footpath 13, West Stour at Church Farm) Public Path Diversion Order 2020.

12. Street name plate – Lynch Lane, West Stour

The Council to agree that a legal road sign 'Lynch Lane' be made and purchased, costing approximately £70. (WS).

13. Stour Provost bus shelter

14. Stour Provost Playing Field and Pavilion issues

Maintenance/replacement of gate and or gate posts.
Play equipment
Upgrade of pavilion interior
Cricket cover frames
The starting up of a youth cricket team (managed by Stour Provost cricket club).

15. Finance

Accounts

Balances of Accounts from statements as at 31st December 2020 – NSB - £12,687.00. Scottish Widows Bank – £27,242.20. Lloyds plc - £10,177.64
Included in these balances is £6,850.00 which has been ring fenced for Clerk's gratuity (min ref 2010/94, 2015/022 & 67, 2016/165, 2017/114, 2018/113, 2018/133, 2019/109 and 2020/90).
See attached Income and Expenses for the period 1st November 2020 – 31st December 2020 and 2020/21 budget (2 monthly and to date).

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

- Mrs M Cox - reimburse broadband - £33.79 (SPC).
- Play inspection Company (playground inspections) - £207. (ES £81) (SP £126).
- Renew Somerset Playing Field membership £15 (shared between ES & SP).

Budget and Precept for 2021/2022

To discuss the budget and set the precept for 2021/22

At their respective parish meetings, the following precepts were agreed – East Stour parish - £6,000, Stour Provost parish - £4,000, Todber parish – £1,560 and West Stour parish - £1,800.

- Local Delivery Service
Gillingham Town Council - £426 for 2021/22.

Internal Auditor's report

Circulated

16. DAPTC

The AGM was held 14 November 2020
Northern Area

17. Highway Matters
Speeding issues in the Stours Villages.
18. Items for information of Council
 - a) Chairman's
 - b) Playing Fields and Equipment
 - c) CPRE
 - d) DAPTC
19. Items for the next meeting
20. Date of future Parish Council Meetings all Thursdays at 7.30pm (format subject to confirmation)
11th March 2021, 13th May 2021, 8th July 2021, 9th September 2021, 11th November 2021.

If any members of the public would like to attend the virtual meeting, please email the Clerk at clerk@stours-pc.gov.uk, who will send you an invite to join the meeting on Zoom. You will need to download the free Zoom app of your machine.

"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."