**Minutes for Stapleford Tawney Parish Council Meeting held at 8pm on Tuesday 18th January 2022 at Mount Farm Office.**

Attendees

Cllr S Galloway, Cllr D Padfield, Cllr Burr, Cllr Moring, and Juliet Burr (Clerk)

Apologies District Councillor Heather Brady and Cllr M Padfield

**Minutes of Last Meeting**

The minutes of the last meeting held on Tuesday 18th November 2021 were agreed and signed by Cllr Galloway

**Financial Matters**

Current Parish account balance of £4622.53

Clerk still applying for online banking but unable to speak with bank due to long waits

Cllr Galloway will purchase laptop and be reimbursed by Parish. Estimated cost including Office and Student software £350.

Clerk confirms that laptop will be covered by Parish insurance policy

Cheque written for clerk’s fee, in arears, of £500

**Planning**

No update received from EFDC regarding bridge at Cutlers Mews although Planning Officer was due to meet owners on 17th November.

EPF/3046/21 Forge House, Tawney Lane, RM4 1EE, Planning for Summer House and Garden Shed. Online submission made with objections.

Due to lack of response from EFDC planning department, clerk to contact District Councillor Heather Brady with regard to contact name of senior officer who concerns can be made to.

Planning received from Cellnex regarding upgrading a mast already situated in the farm yard at Great Tawney Hall. No objections made.

**Highways**

Jamey McGyver emailed in November with regard to poor state of local roads. Despite reporting of dangerous potholes no response received.

Cllr Burr to draft letter to Alex Burghart and Essex Highways re lack of response for planning and highway issues.

Finger sign post at Tawney Farm. Clerk contacted West Essex Ramblers in November but no reply.

Cllr D Padfield to determine if a bracket can be made to fix broken sign located next to The Mole Trap.

A member of the public has contacted clerk regarding haulage lorries driving through Colliers Hatch early in the morning. The lorries were moving Digestate (a type of natural fertiliser) onto land belong to a local farmer. Farm manager spoke to hauliers regarding reviewing start time.

Cllr Moring expressed concern regarding the flooding at the end of his property onto the road due to the ditches/drain being blocked under the road. This has the potential of causing an accident on icy mornings.

**Any Other Business**

Platinum Jubilee

Mount Farm to be venue for Platinum Jubilee on Sunday 5th June 2022

Informal meeting due to be held at Mount Farm on Thursday 20th January for discussion of plans for celebrations with Theydon Mount councillors, Peter Connell (chairperson), Hilliard Brewitt, and David Cole. Cllrs Galloway, D Padfield and Moring from STPC.

**Date and Venue of next meeting**

Tuesday 15th March 2022 7pm at Mount Farm Conference Room