

STOCKING PELHAM PARISH COUNCIL

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Thursday 14th May 2015

7pm

Agenda

1. Apologies for absence
2. Minutes of the last Annual General Meeting (29th May 2014)
3. Matters arising
4. Finance Report: Graham Mackrell
5. Highways Report: Ruth Banks
6. Planning Report: Paul Lucas
7. Church Report: Jane Bailey
8. Pre-school Report: Tracey Langlois
9. Cricket Club Report: David Nicholls
10. Village Hall Committee Report: Bridget Hitchcock
11. Any other business

Chairman's summary

The **development of pub-site** began in March 2014 and was due to be completed in Spring 2015. During development there has been speculation regarding a possible change of use of the pub to residential. We have been assured that this would require prolonged and difficult negotiations with East Herts Planning. We need a positive attitude from residents re future viability of a pub. A planning application for six first floor letting rooms has been supported, with conditions. One house has been sold.

Membership of SPPC has remained unchanged for several years and there is concern that the younger generation are not among the current members. On the one hand, there needs to be consistency in decision making, while on the other, input from fresh faces is required. A transition period may be the answer, with older councillors acting as mentors to new councillors. The current councillors were elected via an uncontested election. Contested elections are better for democracy.

Defibrillator

Other village matters: mowing of Common land, Village pump, Village sign, email circular, Highways and footpaths.