

Agenda

An Extraordinary Meeting of Staploe Parish Council Will Be Held Online at 7.45pm on Thursday 6th August 2020 on Skype

To join the meeting please use this link: <https://join.skype.com/bCGOqzRiGlrZ>

Apologies for absence

2020/065. Declarations of Interest. (7.45-7.47)

2020/066. Approve the Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on 23rd July 2020 (7.47-7.50)

2020/067. Public Open Forum (7.50-8.05)

2020/068. Consider how to respond to the consultation on the Draft Housing Strategy 2021-2026 (8.05-8.15)

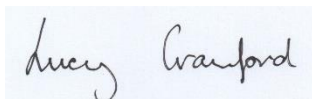
<https://www.bedford.gov.uk/council-and-democracy/have-your-say/consultations/draft-housing-strategy-consultation/>

2020/069. Consider how to respond to the consultation on the Local Plan Review Issues and Options Paper. Deadline 4th September. Of particular interest is the brown option for “Urban Based Growth” on p18 of the paper which sees a large, high density urban settlement covering our parish. **(8.15-8.25)**

<https://www.bedford.gov.uk/planning-and-building/planning-policy-its-purpose/local-plan-review/>

2020/070. Consider whether to commence a Neighbourhood Plan (8.25-8.45)

- Neighbourhood Plans set out planning policies for the neighbourhood area – planning policies are used to decide whether to approve planning applications
- Written by the local community, the people who know and love the area, rather than the Local Planning Authority
- A powerful tool to ensure the community gets the right types of development, in the right place
- Ensure more of the money for infrastructure improvements goes to the parish (25% vs 15% without a Neighbourhood Plan). This could be used for a new village hall, play equipment, speed reduction infrastructure, pavements etc.
- They CANNOT be used to block development and say that the community does not want any development in the parish.
- Grants of £10,000 are available to support the development of a plan



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