The Council met on Tuesday the 4th December and here are some of the highlights.....

The Council was asked to comment on the following planning applications;

18/01391/FUM – Land at E550177 N277983 Pools Road, Wilburton. Change of use of land to 10 Gypsy/Traveller pitches comprising 10 mobile homes, 10 touring caravans, hardstanding and foul drainage. The Council made the following comments. This is a re-submitted application and the Council made the same comments as before. This site is not located near any amenities and therefore a car journey would have to be made to get anywhere. There is no footpath due to the location on the Grunty Fen Road, so pedestrians walking along this road would put themselves and motorists in danger. The proposed site would be out of keeping within the countryside and the overall appearance of the countryside would be compromised. The location is also a flood risk. The Council objects to this planning with the full Council in agreement with these comments.

18/00918/VAR – Meadow Farm Fieldside, Stretham. An amendment was made to this application with revised drainage details. The Council made no further comments.

18/01648/FUL – 23B Short Road, Stretham, Ely, Cambs, CB6 3LS. (Resubmission) Stable block/store. The Council made no further comments on this application.

18/00765/RMA – Land adjacent to 41 Stretham Road, Wilburton. Reserved matters for the erection of six dwellings and associated works. The amendment to this application involves additional information received, including a tree report and AIA. The Council made no more comments on this application.

The Council was disappointed to find out that there has been more vandalism around the village, including 3 more smashed windows down at the Pavilion, graffiti being sprayed on walls around the village and burn marks on the All-Weather pitch. The Clerk has reported all the incidents to the Police and will be meeting with them this month to discuss these issues further. Please keep an eye on the Newsletter for further updates.

In the Last Newsletter the Council asked residents to let them know if they were concerned about dangerous driving in the village. The Council received some emails and The Highways Sub committee is now collating the emails to put together a list of hotspot areas. Once this has been completed, they will be meeting with the Highways department at Cambridgeshire County Council to look into different ways in which we can reduce the risk to pedestrians and other drivers.

Councillor Saunt gave an update on the Blue Plaque project. Councillor Saunt has been doing research with the census and the millennium project. She has also spent some time with Mike Petty. 100 men went to fight in World War one from the village. With the houses in the village having been renumbered since then it is proving difficult to locate all the houses. Councillor Saunt is continuing with the research and will report back to the Council.
The Council received a letter from SWCLT regarding the doctor’s surgery. Over the last two years, SWCLT has been working with NHS England and the Clinical Commissioning Group with support from East Cambs District Council to move forward with this project. Numerous meetings have happened and a Project Initiation Document (PID) was submitted earlier in the year. Rowan Haysom of Haysom Ward Miller Architects has been working closely with all parties involved (including the doctors at Haddenham Surgery to ensure the design meets all the criteria currently required for new surgeries). SWCLT recently received the good news that the PID has been approved and the project can now progress to the next stage. Further work is now required by the architects to build up to a planning application. Once the work is complete the planning application will be submitted to East Cambs District Council Planning Department. SWCLT does not currently have the cash to fund the next stage and has requested support from Stretham Parish Council. It was noted that the Manor Farm development has already delivered over £50,000 of community infrastructure levy money to the Parish Council. The Council is strongly in favour of a new and improved doctor’s surgery. After careful consideration the Council agreed to support SWCLT with the project by committing funding of up to £32,200 to get the doctor’s surgery to the planning stage. The funds will be drawn from the Parish Council reserves and will not affect the precept.

We would like to include a small section in future newsletters where we can show our appreciation to members of the Parish for their continued support for our community. Should you know of anyone to whom you would like to pass on your gratitude, then please get in touch with the Parish Clerk.

Your Parish Clerk can be contacted on 07507597368 or via stretham.clerk@gmail.com

For any queries in relation to Stretham and Wilburton Community Land Trust, please contact Rachel Watts on swclt.clerk@gmail.com or on 07762040800

The Parish Rooms, Pavilion and All Weather Pitch can be booked by calling Maureen Hutter on 649917 or via email strethamparishrooms@googlemail.com

If you have any features or photographs that you would like to submit for the Newsletter then please contact Laura Shearing Tel: 07736840169 email: Laurashearing@rocketmail.com

Jonathan Hall is the new Police Community Support Officer based at Ely Police station. Cambridgeshire Constabulary has recently undergone a reshift of staff and the areas which are covered by PCSO’s. Jonathan is the point of contact for our area and If there is anything you feel you need assistance with please get in touch using 101.

The next Parish Council Meeting is on Tuesday 8th January at 7pm at the Parish Rooms
**Calendar of events in Stretham**

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**WI 2019 PROGRAMME OF EVENTS**

**8th January:** An Evening with the President at 8 Newmarket Road giving a talk on her recent visit to Canada

**12th February:** 100th Anniversary Meal and talk by Mike Petty, Short Road, Stretham

**12th March:** Bomb Disposal Expert by Lucy Lewis at Short Road

**9th April:** Visit to National Stud at Newmarket and Afternoon tea

**14th May:** Resolutions at the SSRC Short Rd Stretham followed by Members’ Evening of games and fun

**11th June:** Let’s paint a Chicken with Clive Dawson the Artist at the SSRC

**9th July:** Forensic Science with Leisa Nichols-Drew at the SSRC

**13th August:** Celebration Garden Party at 8 Newmarket Road

**10th Sept:** My Life in Hats by Helen Tilley at Short Road

**8th October:** Harvest Supper and Games Evening at Short Road

**12th Nov:** AGM and Talk by Cambridgeshire Air Ambulance at Short Road

**10th Dec:** Christmas Party at Short Road with Breckland Handbell Ringers
Useful Contacts

Parish Council, Clerk Kim Bolderson
Tel: 07871598182 email: Stretham.clerk@gmail.com

Parish Rooms hire — Maureen Hutter
Tel: 01353649917

Haddenham Surgery
01353740205

Princess of Wales Minor Injuries Unit
Tel: 01353656675

Stretham Youth Centre — Janet Parish
Tel: 07734252288, email strethamyouthcentre@gmail.com

SOS (Stretham Outreach Singers) singing group for the over 60’s, Donna Bright,
Tel: 07875624702, email brightdonna@hotmail.co.uk

Stretham Community Primary School, Andrew Robertson (Head Teacher)
Tel: 01353 649271 email: office@stretham.cambs.sch.uk

Stretham Women’s Institute, Beryl Morris.
Tel: 01353649602 email: berylmorris@uwclub.net

Stretham Bowls Club — Ken Dodson.
Tel: 01353 740283 email: anthead@btinternet.com

Tiddlywinks, Kim Bolderson
Tel: 07871598182

Stretham and Wilburton Community Land Trust, Clerk Rachel Watts
Tel: 01353 749496 email swclt.clerk@gmail.com

East Cambs District Council — Tel 01353655555

Cambs County Council — 03450455200

Young @ Heart over 60’s — Donna Bright
Tel: 07875624702, email brightdonna@hotmail.co.uk
Bowls Club

A picture of our President (right) giving a cheque to Gary Sutcliffe of the Alzheimer’s Society.

The Cheque was our second one to the Society for £550 the first being £1000. The club has named this Society our charity for the next six months. Most of these funds were raised via our “Bacon Buttie” mornings held at the club on the second Monday of each month, all welcome to attend
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Stretham Youth Centre,
73 High St, CB6 3LD
Dance fitness and make up bar project for
girls aged 10—18
GLOW
7- 8.30pm Mondays
Contact us by: phone: 07734252288 or by email: strethamyouthcentre@gmail.com
Registered Charity, no 1097050

STRETHAM BELLRINGERS

Tuesdays 7:30 – 9:00pm
St James’ Church, Stretham
strethambells@elyda.org.uk

The group meets to practice ringing the 6 bells we have in
the village church. New ringers, Improvers and Returning
Ringers are welcome at any time, by arrangement. This
traditional skill primarily serves the community for the
church Sunday Service but we also like to ring for all sorts of
occasions, just let us know if you have something coming up.
Streatham Youth Centre, 73 High St, CB6 3LD

www.streathamyouthcentre.com

Last sessions this term week beginning Dec 17th
All clubs re start week beginning Jan 7th 2019

Mondays Glow Girls (10+) dance keep fit and make up bar project 7—8.30pm

Wednesdays Motiv8 Drop-in for young people with a disability aged 13—25. 7—9.00pm

Thursdays Junior youth Club for children aged 8—11 years 4—6pm.
Youth Café for young people aged 11—18 years 7—9pm

Keep an eye out for our detached youth workers and SPACE holiday activity sessions.

One off and new projects also run regularly. Please like our Facebook page or visit our website www.streathamyouthcentre.com to keep up to date

If you would like more information on our work please contact Janet on 07734252288 or via email on streathamyouthcentre@g mail.com

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The STRETHAM WI was formed in 1919 which means next February we will reach our 100th Anniversary. If any ladies living in Stretham (or surrounding villages) are interested in joining our group we would be delighted to welcome you.

We meet on the 2nd Tuesday of the month at 7.15pm either at the Bowls Club or the SSRC Pavilion on Short Road. If you require more information please ring Beryl on 01353 649662.
Tiddlywinks Pre-School is situated within the Stretham Community Primary School site, in Wood Lane, Stretham. We are a voluntary, community Pre-School and a registered charity affiliated to the Pre-School Learning Alliance. We comply with Ofsted standards and following our last inspection in January 2017, were graded as “Good”.

We provide a homely, safe and stimulating environment in which our children are encouraged to learn through play, working through the Early Years Foundation Stage of the National Curriculum.

Tiddlywinks accepts all children from the age of 2 years 6 months, including funded 2-year olds. We also offer extended provision of 30 hours per week where funding criteria is met.

Opening hours: 9.00 am – 3.00 pm every day, term-time only.

We have strong links with the school, which is especially beneficial for our rising 5’s in their final term before starting school.

Tiddlywinks welcomes volunteers to join us to help with our learning activities, read to the children and share special skills or experiences.

If you are interested in finding out further information about Tiddlywinks, need an application form or would like to visit or volunteer at the setting, please contact the Pre-School Manager on 07483 175232 or email officetiddlywinks@gmail.com
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TICKETS ON SALE - STRETHAM STORES

DON’T MISS THIS HILARIOUS PANTO
A MODERN TWIST TO CINDERELLA

THURSDAY 21st FEBRUARY 7.30
FRIDAY 22nd FEBRUARY 7.30
SATURDAY 23RD FEBRUARY 2.00 & 7.30 PM

ADULTS £6.00 KIDS AND CONCESSIONS £3.00

(Full price tickets only on Saturday Evening Performance)