

# Minutes of Stradbroke Parish Council Working Party

## Meeting to discuss possible funding resulting from Grove Farm development

Date: 06 May15

Time: 19.30hrs

Venue: Stradbroke Community Centre, Stradbroke

Attendees: Oliver Last (OL); George Chaplin (GC); Ollie Coles (OC); Stuart Crane (SC); Lynda Ellison-Rose (LE-R); Stuart Gemmill (SG); James Hargrave (JH); Gerald Jenkins (GJ); Velda Lummis (VL); Gill Rennie-Dunkerley (GR-D)

In attendance: Carol Smy (Clerk)

Apologies: Nick Stones; Maureen John

This meeting was called to discuss the possible use of s106 type funding that might be available if the proposed development at Grove Farm were to proceed. At the time of the meeting the figures debated were confidential and not confirmed. Suggestions for use of the purported funding were to be submitted to MSDC for consideration and investigation by the legal team to ensure any proposals complied with all relevant legislation pertaining to s106 and Community Infrastructure Levy regulations. It was to be noted that there were no guarantees that this funding would be forthcoming.

1. The possible amounts available were iro £341,000 resulting from the Grove Farm development; £17,000 – existing s106 money held by MSDC for Stradbroke and Laxfield for community buildings
2. The Vice Chairman had been advised, by MSDC, against the pooling of funds to avoid any proposal for use being challenged (probably successfully) by the developers
3. Use of the funding must be for the widest possible benefit to the community

Members discussed a wide range of possible uses for the money and produced a variety of suggestions, as listed below, that the Vice Chairman should put forward to MSDC for advice and consideration:

- a. Coach park for the Primary School
- b. Parking lot behind the Primary School
- c. New nursery facility at the Primary School#
- d. Improving the Play Areas
- e. Leisure Park (eg if the meadow behind the old garage site were still available)
- f. New footpaths to connect Grove End to Shelton Hill and to improve surfaces and accessibility
- g. Repair to the Church Roof
- h. Traffic calming measures for the centre of the village including mobile speed cameras
- i. Re-arrangement of New Street Close to facilitate easier parking for residents as well as improving the aspect of the site

- j. Purchase and leasing of the Queen's Head
- k. Sports and Community Centre –
  - i. Skate park/MUGA
  - ii. More sports pitches
  - iii. Expand the Sports Club upwards
  - iv. New changing rooms (possibly on the Playing Field) to offer facilities to women
  - v. Dance/performance studio
  - vi. Snooker/pool/games room

**There being no further business the meeting closed at 21.15hrs**