

**CORRESPONDENCE BETWEEN PARISH COUNCIL AND  
STRADBROKE SPORTS & COMMUNITY CENTRE  
Feb to Mar 2022**

**From:** Stradbroke Parish Council  
**Sent:** 16 February 2022 15:57  
**To:** Gillian Rennie-Dunkerley  
**Subject:** Tennis Court Land

<Report on ditch responsibility Feb 22.pdf>

Dear Gillian

The Parish Council has investigated the responsibility for the ditch to the rear of the tennis courts and the findings can be found in the attached report. The report concludes that the responsibility for the maintenance and upkeep of the ditch lies with the owners of the land either side of the ditch in accordance with guidance issued by Suffolk County Council which is appended to the report for ease of reference.

Councillors have requested that the Trustees of the Stradbroke Sports & Community Centre Charity (No. 304823) inform the Clerk ahead of the next parish council meeting scheduled for 14<sup>th</sup> March whether the Trustees wish to proceed or not with a land transfer for the part of the tennis court land marked in blue on the conveyance map from 1972 (a copy was included in the Land Boundaries report prepared in October 2021).

Should the Trustees resolve to proceed with the transfer, a resolution to the matter of whether the best way forward for the remainder of the land which forms the tennis courts would be a lease or a licence between the Council and the SSCC can then be agreed by Councillors at the March meeting.

If the Trustees resolve not to take ownership, please could this be confirmed in a formal letter from the Charity to the Parish Council, this can then be sent to Land Registry as part of the papers to finalise the registration.

Thank you.

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Regards  
Odile Wladon  
Clerk  
Stradbroke Parish Council  
Mobile: 07555 066147  
website: <https://www.stradbrokepc.org/>

9 Mar 2022, at 16:04,

Stradbroke Parish Council <[clerk@stradbrokepc.org](mailto:clerk@stradbrokepc.org)> wrote:

Dear Gillian

I am preparing the papers for the next full Council meeting on 14<sup>th</sup> March.

Please could you advise if trustees considered the email below and attached report and whether they are in a position to respond to the Council?

Thank you.

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**From:** Gillian Rennie-Dunkerley  
**Sent:** 09 March 2022 16:46  
**To:** Stradbroke Parish Council <[clerk@stradbrokepc.org](mailto:clerk@stradbrokepc.org)>  
**Cc:** Jane Merritt

**Subject:** Re: Tennis Court Land

Dear Odile

We discussed the issue and papers last evening at our meeting and we all agreed that there was insufficient non-generic evidence or answers to our previous questions for us to make a decision. When this has been passed to us we will be able to respond accordingly. I understand that Kamal will be raising this at your March meeting.

Kind Regards

Gillian Rennie-Dunkerley  
Secretary Stradbroke Sports & Community Centre

On 10 Mar 2022, at 12:05,  
Stradbroke Parish Council <[clerk@stradbrokepc.org](mailto:clerk@stradbrokepc.org)> wrote:

Dear Gillian

Further to your email below.

Please advise what documents do Trustees need to allow them to reach a decision?

Thank you.

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**From:** Gillian Rennie-Dunkerley  
**Sent:** 11 March 2022 17:30  
**To:** Stradbroke Parish Council <[clerk@stradbrokepc.org](mailto:clerk@stradbrokepc.org)>  
**Cc:** Jane Merritt

**Subject:** Re: Tennis Court Land

Dear Odile

The information that we need is:

- a copy of the correspondence between the PC and the local residents/neighbours in order to note their response
- a copy of the correspondence with the County Council concerning the resolution of the drain blockage
- a statement concerning any action towards eradicating any proposed division of land ownership across the centre of the tennis courts which is a totally unacceptable situation for either the PC or SSCC

When the SSCC Committee have a clearer view of all of these matters we can then discuss it fully but, currently, there are still questions surrounding these areas.

Kind Regards  
Gillian  
Gillian Rennie-Dunkerley  
Secretary Stradbroke Sports & Community Centre

**Re: Tennis Court Land**

Wed 16/03/2022 18:50

Fm: Stradbroke Parish Council <clerk@stradbrokepc.org>

To: Gillian Rennie-Dunkerley

2 attachments (1 MB) Landowner correspondence 2022.pdf; Correspondence re fire station drainage inc map 2022.pdf;

Dear Gillian

I write further to your email dated 11th March.

Councillors reviewed this email at the meeting held on 14<sup>th</sup> March and agreed the following:

The Clerk should circulate two document packs, one containing the correspondence with homeowners (redacted in accordance with GDPR), the second the correspondence between the Parish Council and Suffolk County Council regarding the drain at the fire station site. Both of these are attached.

Councillors have asked me to reiterate to SSCC Trustees that the Council will only be transferring the land it obtained in the "swap" with Suffolk County Council, all other land will remain in the ownership of the Parish Council and a lease or licence will be issued to the Community Centre for the use of the remaining area, to allow for the continued operation of the Tennis Courts.

Councillors understand that the next scheduled SSCC Committee meeting will take place after the Parish Council's April meeting.

Councillors require a "yes or no" resolution to this issue as soon as possible and therefore they require a *"yes - SSCC Trustees require the parcel of land marked in blue on the 1972 conveyance document"*, **or** *"no - SSCC Trustees do not require the parcel of land marked in blue on the 1972 conveyance document"* response from SSCC Trustees to be submitted by 29<sup>th</sup> April to allow it to be included on the agenda of the May Council meeting which is scheduled for 9<sup>th</sup> May.

Councillors resolved that should no definitive response be received by the May meeting the Council will instruct the Clerk to commence the process of registering the land to the Parish Council.

Thank you.

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Regards

Odile Wladon

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