

**Minutes of the Monthly Meeting of Stockton Parish Council held in the Village Hall,
Stockton, at 7.15pm on 18th March 2019**

Those present: -

Parish Councillors: Cllrs.: J.Emberton, C.Millidge, W.Rumsey, T.Warner, and H.Kittendorf

District Councillor:

County Councillor: Cllr.A.Crump

Public: 7 members of the public

Election of Chair for the March 2019 meeting of Stockton Parish Council

It was proposed by Cllr.Kittendorf and seconded by Cllr.Emberton that Cllr Millidge be elected as Chair for the March 2019 meeting of Stockton Parish Council - This motion was unanimously agreed.

The Chairman opened the meeting and welcomed all in attendance.

Item 7. The Chair brought agenda item 7 forward to accommodate Mr.& Mrs Ewing. Mr.& Mrs. Ewing gave a presentation regarding their plans for School View, and the alterations that are proposed in planning application 19 /0024/FUL. After discussion regarding these plans, the Chairman thanked Mr.& Mrs Ewing for their attendance and presentation. The Parish Council unanimously determined to register no representation with the planning authority.

Item 18. The Chair brought agenda item 18 forward to accommodate County Cllr.Crump.
Orbit Housing Association: County Cllr.Crump noted that the response from Orbit regarding the sale of one of their bungalows because it is not economical to repair as being most unsatisfactory and should be challenged.

Stockton House: Cllr.Crump noted that he has received a letter from Jubilee Gardens regarding the entrance to Stockton House on the A426 being dangerous, but this opening of the entrance was agreed at the planning stage when permission was given.

Sports Hall: Cllr.Crump noted that a new sports hall will be built in Welsh Road West for Southam College.

Cllr.Crump indicated that if there were any other issues of concern from the Parish Council or public, please contact him.

The Chair thanked Cllr.Crump for his attendance and he left the meeting.

Item 1. Open Forum

A member of the public asked why there was no drainage on the kerbed area in Napton Road outside the Taylor Wimpey development, when a similar development in Napton was required to have drainage fitted. The Parish Council could not answer this question, only the Highways and planning department could.

A member of the public also raised concerns why the bungalow owned by Orbit in George Street is being sold when there is a need for these properties in the village. He also asked whether the Parish Council could buy this property, and whether if it happens again the Parish Council could be informed. (The Clerk in response indicated that the Purchase of a dwelling may be permissible under the GPC but will take advice on this).

There were no further issues under Open Forum

Item 2. Apologies for Absence

Parish Cllrs. Cllr.H.Collerson

District Cllr:

County Cllr:

Item 3. Acceptance of Apologies from Parish Councillors It was proposed by Cllr Kittendorf and seconded by Cllr.Rumsey that the apology from Cllr.Collerson be accepted - This motion was unanimously agreed.

Item 4. Declarations of Interest

There were no Declarations of Interest

Item 5. Minutes of the meeting held on the 18th February January 2019

These minutes having been previously circulated, it was proposed by Cllr. Kittendorf and seconded by Cllr. Warner that they be accepted as a true record - This motion was unanimously agreed.

Item 6. Matters arising from the minutes of the 18th February 2019

There were no matters arising from the meeting minutes.

Item 7. Planning Matters:

a. New Planning applications 19/00244/FUL, School View, School Street: Refurbishment to existing cottage and two storey rear extension – No representation

b. Planning Decisions by District Council or County Council

Item 8. Financial Matters It was proposed by Cllr. Emberton and seconded by Cllr. Kittendorf that all invoices shown in the March 2019 Agenda Appendix 1 be paid - This motion was unanimously agreed.

Item 9. Correspondence

There were no items of correspondence

Item 10. Finance and Strategy Group report

There were no issues to report

Item 11. Amenity Group report Playing Field:

Cllr.Millidge noted a complaint from a resident about the state of the playing field, she replied that the field was a work in progress after the major hedge cutting and as part of the normal maintenance the rubbish will be picked up.

Cllr.Millidge also pointed out to the resident that we have a need for a playing field committee to assist with the running of the playing field.

Item 12. Correspondence not passed to Action Groups

There were no items for discussion

Item 13. Ongoing References

Website: Cllr.Kittendorf is now on the Parish Council web address, and the Clerk is to forward the phone number of Edge IT to Cllr.Kittendorf.

Street Lighting: The Parish Council instructed the Clerk and Cllr.Collerson to continue efforts to reduce the street lighting bill.

Road Signs: It was noted by Cllr.Rumsey the Village sign on Napton Road is missing.

Cemetery extension: This is an ongoing issue re. mowing and permission.

A426 crossroads: The Clerk is to write to the police house residents thanking them for repairing the verges.

Item 14. Removal and Additions to Ongoing References.

There were no addition or removals of items.

Item 15. Parish Council Calendar Actions

Monthly budget monitoring: The budget monitoring spreadsheet has not been altered since February 2019.

Item 16. Training and meetings

There were no issues to report

Item 17 County Council issues

Items under this heading were taken earlier after item 7

Item 18. District Council issues

There were no issues for consideration

Item 19. Additional Gritting

The Clerk was instructed to ascertain the potential costs of this.

Other Issues for information only

Dog Fouling: This is still a problem; the Clerk is to obtain more purple spray.

Pavements in Mount Pleasant: It was noted that this pavement was to be resurfaced and repaired prior to the dwellings being occupied. The Clerk is to inform the planning authority and developer.

Footpath sign at St. Michaels Crescent: This sign has now gone missing.

There being no further business the Chair closed the meeting at 8.25pm.