

.Minute Number 08 (22 - 23)

Minutes of the Monthly Meeting of Stockton Parish Council
Held in Stockton Village Hall at 7.15pm on 21st November 2022.

Those present: -

Parish Councillors: Cllrs., C.Millidge, W.Rumsey and T.Warner.

District Councillor: Cllr.L.Adam

County Councillor: Cllr.A.Crump

Public: 3 members of the public

In the absence of the Chair, Cllr.Collerson, Cllr.Millidge the Vice Chair chaired the meeting.

The Chairman welcomed all to the meeting.

The Chairman brought forward agenda item 14, and 15 to accommodate Principal authority members in attendance.

Item 15. District Council Issues.

District Cllr.Adam noted that the proposed new ward boundaries will now be sent to parliament for ratification, and this means that Stockton will now be paired with Southam East Central as the new ward.

Cllr.Adam noted that the matter of ID for casting votes has been raised by the District Council asking whether voting cards will be sufficient.

Cllr.Adam noted that the council tax budget for 2023-2024 is not yet known.

Cllr.Adam noted that there is some financial assistance from the District Council for those who find themselves in energy need.

There were no further District Council issues.

Item 16. County Council Issues

County Cllr.Crump noted that there have been thefts of equipment from the Fire and Rescue buildings in Southam, and that these thefts could undermine the ability of the F&RS to respond to emergencies.

Cllr.Crump noted that the F&RS is looking for more recruits. (firefighters).

Cllr.Crump noted that inflation is now impacting upon all contracts..

Cllr.Crump noted that he met with Severn Trent Water at Napton where STW detailed their infrastructure changes for the next few years.

Cllr.Crump noted that road traffic accidents seem to be mainly down to people driving under the influence of drugs.

Cllr. Crump noted that e scooters are illegal on pavements and roads (they are only legal on private roads).

Cllr.Crump noted that a Safer Neighbourhood team meeting on 24th November.

There were no further County Council issues.

The Chairman thanked both principal authority Cllrs. for their attendance.

Item 1. Open Forum

The member of the public in attendance raised the point that the proposed self build east of jubilee fields is not in line with the results shown on the housing needs survey of 2021. It was explained that this development has been ongoing for a number of years now and that the Parish Council has supported it because amongst other things there will be a significant gain to the parish from this. The principal authority Cllrs. both noted that a defined number of self build sites is an integral part of the District Council local plan and that this is one of them.

There were no further issues under the open forum.

Item 2. Apologies for Absence

Apologies were received from:-

Parish Cllrs: Cllr.Collerson; Cllr.Emberton; Cllr.Crate; Cllr.Kittendorf.

Item 3. Acceptance of Apologies from Parish Councillors

It was proposed by Cllr.Warner and seconded by Cllr.Rumsey that the apologies from the Parish Cllrs. be accepted – This motion was unanimously agreed

Item 4. Declarations of Interest

There were no Declarations of Interest declared.

Item 5. Minutes of the meeting held on the 26th September 2022

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

Item 6. Matters arising from the minutes of the 26th September 2022.

There were no matters arising from the meeting.

Item 7. Planning Matters:

- a. New Planning applications
22/00690/OUT, Grange Farm, Tomlow Road: Outline application for an agricultural worker's dwelling with access and landscaping matters reserved – No representation.
22/02472/FUL, 55 Elm Row: 1.5 storey rear extension to replace the existing single storey flat roof rear extension – No representation.
22/02620/FUL 16 Tuckwell Close: First floor front extension, internal alterations and upgrade of façade materials – No representation.
22/02746/FUL, Stockton Hall Farm Building: Use of land for road haulage business, including construction of workshop building incorporating ancillary offices, and associated works including formation of Hardstanding and landscaping - Object to this planning application
22/03259/FUL 17 Mount Pleasant: Rear and front side extension and Raising the roof to create a further storey with dormer windows to the South east – No representation.
22/03170/VARY, The Crown Inn, 8 High Street: Variation of condition Number(s) 2, 11,16 of 21/00306/FUL. Date of decision 16/06/2021. Change of materials required and amended cycle and refuse storage Details. Drawing references to be changed to: 1126/13A,1126/14A – No representation

- b. Planning Decisions by District Council or County Council
22/00902/FUL, 5 Victoria terrace: Construct a dropped kerb on C Classified road for parking access – Permission refused.
22/02253/HHPA, Windmill Farmhouse, Rugby Road: Erection of three Storey rear extensions - Prior Approval is not required
22/02241/AAPA, Windmill Farmhouse, Rugby Road: Erection of three Storey rear extensions – Permission granted.
22/01582/FUL, 10 Victoria Terrace: Construct a dropped kerb on a class "C" road - Permission granted.
22/02620/FUL, 16 Tuckwell Close: First floor front extension, internal alterations, and upgrade of façade materials - Permission granted.
22/01587/FUL 17 Mount Pleasant: Application withdrawn
21/03026/FUL, Cornwood Farm.: Full planning application for redevelopment of existing commercial; site - Permission refused

Item 8. Financial Matters

It was proposed by Cllr.Rumsey and seconded by Cllr.Warner that all invoices identified on the October and November agenda appendix 1 be paid – This motion was unanimously agreed.

October Invoices as follows:-

Payee	Amount	Cheque Number
Edge IT Systems Ltd	£1005.36	001589
SSE	£182.97	001590
Cemex UK Operations	£350.00	001591
G.Farmer	£350.00	001592
Stockton FC-CC	£16,554.00	001593
R.Stephenson	£15.00	001594
D.Stanley	£300.00	001595
SSE	£167.15	001596
Mid. Sign & Lighting Ltd.	£624.00	001597

Item 9. Budget and Precept 2023-2024

The Clerk provided two draft budgets with varying figures to take account of potential energy increases. After discussion it was noted that one potential energy saving prospect may be turning off all street lights at midnight, but it was also noted that this would really need consultation with the whole village. The Clerk also noted that our energy broker has been asked to provide a “best guess” for the likely energy price rises in the financial year 2023-2024, and has stated that hopefully they should be available early December. It was agreed that this matter will be carried over to the December meeting.

Item 10. Correspondence

There were no items for discussion

Item 11. Ongoing References

Village Green: It was noted that someone is parking on the village green outside the school.

Speed Control: It was noted that to buy this will add £2.5K to the annual budget, but it was agreed that the system should be bought.

Item 12. Removal and addition to ongoing references

There were no further items for removal and one for replacement.

Item 13. Parish Council calendar actions

Budget monitoring: The budget monitoring spreadsheet was passed to all Parish Cllrs, present and was formally approved

Cemetery and Playing Field safety audit: This will be undertaken by the Clerk, Cllr.Millidge and Cllr.Kittendorf when weather permits

Item 14. Training and meetings

No training or meetings was undertaken.

Item 15. District Council Issues.

See prior to Open Forum

Item 16. County Council Issues

See prior to Open Forum

Other Issues for information only

It was noted that the footpath adjacent to Cllr. Millidge’s home needs to be mowed, it was agreed to add this to the mowing contract

It was noted that the drain opposite the Elm Tree in Post Office Lane is blocked, Clerk to contact highways department.

It was noted that the plane tree on the village green needs to be crowned. Cllrs. to check all grit bins.

There being no further business the Chairman closed the meeting at 8.35pm

