

Minute Number 07 (25 - 26)

**Minutes of the Monthly Meeting of Stockton Parish Council
Held in Stockton Village Hall at 7.15pm on 20th October 2025.**

Those present: -

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

District Councillor: Cllr.A.Crump

County Councillor: Cllr.A.Crump

Public: 5 members of the public.

The Chair welcomed all to the October 2025 Monthly Meeting of Stockton Parish Council

Item 1. Open Forum

Mr.R.Musson on behalf of Stockton FC-CC gave an update on the latest situation regarding the FC-CC becoming a legal entity and entering into a new lease with Cemex for the sports field. One item of contention is a requirement from Fisher German to install a large fence between the two fields, the cost of which could be prohibitive.

The Parish Council confirmed that it will donate £200 towards the cost of drainage for the back field, and once the legal entity was approved the Parish Council will sign the surrender lease.

It was noted that there is a potential for a footway between Stockton and Southam, and to that end a feasibility study is being carried out. The Chairman noted that 20 years ago there was a working party set up under the SOADC to look at the feasibility of setting up a cycleway via the road and/or using a footway, but the big obstacle was the Southam bypass (with a bridge over the bypass being a non-starter).

Cllr. Crump noted that it might be feasible to add to the Southam/Long Itchington potential route.

There were no other issues under open forum.

The Chair brought agenda items 15 and 16 forward to accommodate the Principal authorities member present

Items 15 and 16. CC and DC Issues

Cllr,Crump noted that a crossroads safety study report will be available by the end of the month.

Cllr.Crump noted that the main preference for Local Government Reorganisation is for a two authority (North and South) system, however central government would prefer councils with a residents numbering 550,000 which is not feasible under a two authority reorganisation.

Cllr Crump noted that Warwick DC has a debt of approx. £250M which together with the CC debt would reach approximately £400M

Cllr, Crump noted that grants from his budget will be available soon

Cllr,Crump noted that the grasscrete on the verge opposite The Crown should be laid soon.

Cllr,Crump noted that all communities could be at risk from developers due to the reduction in SOADC land availability, and if there are objections to potential development, communities must show that the development has a clear and demonstrable negative affect on the community.

This ended Cllr. Crump's report and the Chairman thanked him for his attendance

The Chair brought agenda item 8 forward to accommodate the Principal authorities member and the applicant present

Item 8. Planning Matters

a. New Planning applications

25/02008/LDP, 3 Mount Pleasant: **Lawful development permission** - no discussion needed.

25/02247/FUL, 42 Post Office Lane: Demolition of existing dwelling, erection of 3 new dwellings with associated works. After detailed discussion it was determined that the Parish Council - **Support this application**

25/02294/PIP, Land to the west of Napton Road: Construction of up to 9 dwellings. After a detailed discussion of the application it was determined that the Parish Council - **Objects to this application**

Planning Decisions by District Council or County Council

25/01640/TPO, Stockton House, Rugby Road: Tree Preservation Order
Ref.No: TPO/087/004 – Legal Ref: SDC 692 – **Permission Granted**

Item 2. Apologies for Absence

Apologies for absence were received from-

Parish Cllrs:

District Cllrs:

County Cllrs:

Item 3. Acceptance of Apologies

All members were in attendance no acceptance of apologies necessary.

Item 4. Declaration of Interest

There were no Declarations of Interest

Item 5. Dispensations

No Dispensations were required

Item 6. Minutes of the Parish Council meeting on 15th September 2025

These minutes having been previously circulated, It was proposed by Cllr.R.Rumsey and seconded by Cllr.Emberton that with one spelling change, the minutes of the meeting on 15th September 2025 be accepted as a true record -

This motion was unanimously agreed.

Item 7. Matters arising for the minutes of the Parish Council meeting 15th September 2025

Lights on Jubilee Fields - Clerk to contact supplier

Item 9. Financial Matters

It was proposed by Cllr.Warner and seconded by Cllr.Millidge that all invoices identified on the 20th October 2025 agenda appendix 1 be paid – **This motion was unanimously agreed.**

October 2025 Invoices

<u>Payee</u>	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Cheque No</u>
Cemex	£350.00	001797
Midland Sign & Lighting	£210.00	001798
Shire Forestry	£1980.00	001799
F.Mann Farmers	£1168.80	001800
W.Robinson	£48.00	001801
Smith of Derby	£327.60	001802
Lloyds Bank charges	£6.25	Direct from account

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Item 10. Correspondence

There were no items of correspondence for discussion.

Item 11. Ongoing References

Website: Cllr. Emberton noted that the website calendar has been updated to reflect the Christmas period bin collections.

Item 12. Removals and additions to Ongoing References

There were no additions to or removals from ongoing reference

Item 13. Parish Council Calendar Actions

Budget Monitoring: The budget monitoring spreadsheet having been circulated to Cllrs, was discussed and approved.

Audit of cemetery and Playing field: Cllr. Millidge carried out an audit of the playing field with no issues found. The cemetery safety audit will be carried out as time and weather permits.

Item 14. Training and Meetings

There were no training or meetings to record

Item 15. District Council Issues

See after Open Forum

Item 16. County Council Issues

See after Open Forum

Other Issues for information only

Tree in Rectory Close – referred to Tree Protection Officer and Highways – tree to be trimmed back

Village of the Year Board- Clerk to contact A.H to have it fitted.

Wall at Barley Mow car park – now been laid flat

Village Hall – Solar panels now working

Zoom meeting on Nov 4th regarding local government reorganisation.

Housing land in DC – The PC is to write to SOADC giving opposition to the proposal to use Wood Street car park as a housing allocation site.

White lining and dangerous junctions – An email from a resident regarding a dangerous junction was passed directly to the Highways authority.

Litter bin on School Street needs to be replaced – contact Street Scene.

Dog waste bin at FC-CC needs to be replaced – contact Street Scene

Village grit bins – Cllrs. to check these for grit in passing.

2026 – 2027 budget- all Cllrs. to reflect on the budget requirements for the financial year 2026 - 2027

There being no further business the Chair closed the meeting at 8.50pm.