

Minute Number 08 (25 - 26)

**Minutes of the Monthly Meeting of Stockton Parish Council
Held in Stockton Village Hall at 7.15pm on 17th November 2025.**

Those present: -

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

District Councillor: Cllr.A.Crump

County Councillor: Cllr.A.Crump

Public: No members of the public.

Item 1. Election of Chair for the meeting

It was proposed by Cllr.R.Rumsey and seconded by Cllr.W.Rumsey that Cllr.Millidge be elected as Chair for this meeting, there being no further nominees Cllr.Millidge was elected unopposed

Item 2. Acceptance of Office

Cllr.Millidge signed the Acceptance of Office declaration in the presence of the Proper Officer of the Parish Council.

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

The Chair brought agenda items 17 and 18 forward to accommodate the Principal authorities member present

Items 17 and 18. CC and DC Issues

Cllr.Crump noted that Stratford DC has voted to tell central government that it and at least 3 of the 4 of the other Warwickshire D & BC's favours a model of 2 unitary authorities for the county. Warwickshire CC will respond to the government that it favours a 1 unitary council for the county. Central government's position is the new councils should cover a population of at least 500,000 unless there are exceptional circumstances.

Cllr.Crump noted that Stratford districts lack of a 5 year housing land supply is causing problems with developers seeking to take advantage of this with numerous applications in the pipeline.

Central government is bringing in changes to prevent local authorities from refusing applications for 150 houses or more and instead refer to government for a decision.

Government will be able to "call in" projects, appoint a planning inspector to recommend whether applications should go ahead, the final decision will be taken by a minister/.

Cllr.Crump noted that he is still awaiting the feasibility report on the crossroads and that the grasscrete for the verge opposite the Crown will be implemented soon.

Cllr.Crump noted that for the Christmas period the traffic lights on Southam bypass will be temporarily removed.

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

Item 3. Open Forum

There were no issues under open forum.

Item 4. Apologies for Absence

Apologies for absence were received from-

Parish Cllrs: Cllr.Collerson, Cllr.Kittendorf, Cllr.Emberton.

District Cllrs:

County Cllrs:

Item 5. Acceptance of Apologies

It was proposed by Cllr.R.Rumsey and seconded by Cllr.Warner that these apologies be accepted – **This motion was unanimously agreed.**

Item 6. Declaration of Interest

There were no Declarations of Interest

Item 7. Dispensations

No Dispensations were required

Item 8. Minutes of the Parish Council meeting on 20th October 2025

These minutes having been previously circulated, It was proposed by Cllr.W.Rumsey and seconded by Cllr.R.Rumsey that the minutes of the meeting on 20th October 2025 be accepted as a true record - **This motion was unanimously agreed.**

Item 9. Matters arising from the minutes of the Parish Council meeting 20th October 2025

Grit bin at Glebe Close is rock solid - Clerk to contact street scene

Item 10. Planning Matters**a. New Planning applications****Planning Decisions by District Council or County Council****Item 11. Financial Matters**

It was proposed by Cllr.Warner and seconded by Cllr.W.Rumsey that all invoices identified on the 17th November 2025 agenda appendix 1 be paid – **This motion was unanimously agreed.**

November 2025 Invoices

<u>Payee</u>	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Cheque No</u>
SSE	£1074.03	001803
Stockton FC-CC	£200.00	001804
W.Robinson	£48.00	001805
Konica Minolta	£212.15	001806
Konica Minolta	£79.04	001807
F.Mann Farmers	£1753.20	001808
SSE	£371.16	001809
R.Stephenson	£16.00	001810
Lloyds Bank	£6.27	Direct from account

Item 12. Correspondence

There were no items of correspondence for discussion.

Item 13. Ongoing References

There was no change to ongoing references.

Item 14. Removals and additions to Ongoing References

There were no additions to or removals from ongoing reference

Item 15. 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.

	<p><u>Item 16. Training and Meetings</u> There were no training or meetings to record</p> <p><u>Item 17. District Council Issues</u> See after Acceptance of Office</p> <p><u>Item 18. County Council Issues</u> See after Acceptance of Office</p> <p>Other Issues for information only Path to Playing Field; Cllr.Rumsey noted that the stone to relay the path is now ready. Cllr.R. Rumsey emails: It was noted that emails from HJC cannot be read, Clerk to contact Edge IT.</p> <p>There being no further business the Chair closed the meeting at 8.05pm.</p>	
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