

Minutes of PC Meeting 20th February

Minutes of the Stockton Parish Council monthly Meeting held in the Village Hall, Stockton, at 7.15pm on 20th February 2017

Those present: -

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

District Councillor:

County Councillor:

Public: Mr.B.Legg, Mr.J.Horsfield (Warwickshire County Council)

Chairman, Stockton Parish Council

In the absence of the Chairman, Cllr.H.Collerson, the Vice Chairman. Cllr.P.Banham took the chair for the meeting.

Welcome

The Chairman Cllr.P.Banham welcomed all present to the meeting, and invited Mr. Jonathan Horsfield of the County Council to address the meeting.

Mr.Horsfield gave a presentation on a proposed solar array that the County Council wishes to build on land adjacent to the A426 (a closed ex landfill site) just past the Stockton crossroads. Access to the site will be from the Long Itchington to Stockton Road. The main drivers for this proposal are not only an environmental issue but also a potential income stream for the County Council. There will also be a form of energy storage at the site utilising batteries which will be stored in a secure location.

Mr.Horsfield also noted that a full consultation with residents of the village will take place in the Village hall on Friday 10th March 2017 from 2.00pm until 8.00pm.

There was a full question and answer session with Mr.Horsfield and Parish Cllrs during which Mr.Horsfield indicated that all concerns by the Parish Council and residents should be raised with the County Council at the open meeting and also once a formal planning application has been processed.

There being no further questions the Chairman thanked Mr.Horsfield for his attendance and presentation.

Open Forum

There were no items under open forum.

Apologies for Absence

Parish Cllrs. H.Collerson

District Cllr.:

County Cllr.:

Acceptance of Apologies from Parish Councillors

It was proposed by Cllr.Millidge and seconded by Cllr.Emberton that the apology be accepted – **This motion was unanimously agreed.**

Declarations of Interest

There were no declarations of interest.

Minutes of the meetings held on the 16th January 2017

These minutes being previously circulated, it was proposed by Cllr. Millidge and seconded by Cllr. Rumsey that they be accepted as true records - **This motion was unanimously agreed.**

Matters arising from the minutes of the 16th January 2017

Dog fouling: The Clerk to obtain some cans of the paint from the dog warden, and also ask what further can be done. All emails from the dog warden to be passed to Cllrs. Cllr. Rumsey will put another notice in the Stockton's News regarding the fouling.

Barley Mow Street Light: a new engineer has been appointed by E.ON and hopefully it will be completed by end March

Planning Matters: -

a. New Planning Applications

17/00350/FUL, Blue Lias Industrial Estate: Construction of a portal frame building for use as a light industrial workshop building and associated parking and drainage – **No representation**

b. Planning Decisions by District Council or County Council

16/04095/COUQ, Green Farm: Prior approval for the change of use of agricultural building including building operations to form one dwelling under Class Q (a) and (b) of part 3 of the GPDO 2015 – **Permission granted.**

17/00021/HRN, Land north of Stockton Hall Court: Removal of 1 section of hedgerow approximately 116metres in length on land to the north of Stockton Hall Court, Rugby Road, Stockton O.S. grid reference of centre of hedgerow SP4390 6461 – **Permission granted.**

Financial Matters

It was proposed by Cllr. Banham and seconded by Cllr. Millidge that all invoices shown in the February 2017 Agenda Appendix 1 be paid - **This motion was unanimously agreed.**

Correspondence and Reports

C. Muggerridge & Son: It was unanimously agreed that the fun fair be allowed to attend the village from Tuesday 18th to Monday 24th April 2017

Finance & Strategy Group

It was agreed that a meeting will be convened when Cllr. Collerson returns

Amenity Group

Village Mowing: Cllr. Kittendorf confirmed that Mr. D. Stanley is willing to carry out the village mowing for the year 2017-2018. Cllr. Millidge will ensure that an up to date mowing map is available for all. This map will also show parish owned land.

Correspondence not passed to Action Group

There were no items for consideration

Ongoing References

Street Lighting: This item was discussed and minuted under matters arising from the meeting on 19th January 2017.

Website: Cllr. Emberton noted that most of the relevant policies have now been added to the website in order to comply with the transparency act. All Parish Cllr. profiles need to be updated and to that end all Cllrs. should have a photograph and a short biography for adding to the website by the next meeting.

Playing Field: Mr.Legg noted that there is a lot of rubbish (including wood) lying around the field. As Cllr.Millidge will be away for the street clean, she has undertaken to clear this field and will contact M.Childs for assistance. The Clerk will borrow the grabbers and tabards from the District Council for that day. Mr.Legg also noted that the no dogs allowed signs were missing from the children's play area, the Clerk will obtain replacements (total 4)

Additions and Removals to Ongoing References

There were no addition or removals from ongoing references

Parish Council Calendar Actions

Monthly budget monitoring: This was shown and found to be in line with the budget.

Audit of village roads and pavements: Cllr.Millidge indicated that this will be carried out before the Amenity Group meeting in early April.

Villager of the Year – this decision was deferred until the next meeting

Training and Meetings

The Clerk gave an update of the financial year end briefing that he attended; pointing out that the Council is compliant with all relevant legislation.

Village Hall Grant

It was agreed that the village hall grant from the Parish Council for the financial year 2017 – 2018, will take the form of payment for the alterations.

District Council issues

There were no issues for consideration

County Council issues

There were no issues for consideration

Other Issues

Village seating: Stockton's news asked whether a seat could be placed on the verge outside the village hall, after discussion it was agreed that Stockton's news will write to the Parish Council.

There being no further business the Chairman closed the meeting at 8.55pm.