

Minute Number 02 (23 - 24)

**Minutes of the May Annual Meeting of Stockton Parish Council
Held in Stockton Village Hall at 7.30pm on 11th May 2023.**

Those present: -

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

District Councillor: Cllr.A.Crump

County Councillor: Cllr.A.Crump

Public: 3 members of the public

All elected Parish Cllrs. signed their Acceptance of Office Declarations

Item 1. Election of Chairman for Stockton Parish Council for the year 2023-2024.

It was proposed by Cllr.Kittendorf and seconded by Cllr. Rumsey that Cllr.H.Collerson be elected as Chairman for Stockton Parish Council for the year 2023-2024. **There being no further nominations Cllr. Collerson was elected Chair for Stockton Parish Council for the year 2023-2024.**

Item 2. Signing of Acceptance of Office Declaration

Cllr.Collerson signed Acceptance of Office Declaration

Item 3. Election of Vice Chairman for Stockton Parish Council for the year 2023-2024.

After discussion it was determined that a Vice Chairman was not necessary, as the need arises for a Chair in the absence of Cllr.Emberton, one will be elected as required.

Item 4. Signing of Acceptance of Office Declaration

This was now unnecessary

The Chairman welcomed all to the Annual meeting of Stockton Parish Council

The Chairman brought forward agenda items 19, and 20 to accommodate Principal authority members in attendance.

Item 17. County Council Issues

County Cllr. Crump noted in his report that he has attended as many Parish Council meetings as he can and provides the Council and Stockton facebook with weekly updates. He will respond to residents' queries either at the Council meeting or by phone or email.

He has reported highways issues to the CC, and also with school and social services problems.

There have been issues with broadband contractors and these problems led to one contractor having its permit temporarily suspended..

He has been in touch with STW over the problems with water supply in Stockton, and road closures are a problem throughout his ward and he has worked with Parish Cllr.Warner who has worked tirelessly to resolve the bus problem.

Cllr.Crump noted that his community grant scheme also supports a number of village organisations.

Cllr.Crump also noted that the speed camera signs that the Council wishes to install has his full support and he advised that a letter to the Chair of WCC and the Chair of Warwickshire Road Safety Partnership may have an effect.

There were no further County Council issues.

Item 16 . District Council Issues.

The Chair congratulated Cllr.Crump on being elected as the County Councillor for this ward.

Cllr.Crump having been elected as the ward District Councillor and will bring these issues to the future meeting

There were no further District Council issues.

The Chairman thanked the authority Cllr. for His attendance.

Item 5. General Power of Competence

It was proposed by Cllr.Collerson and seconded by Cllr.Millidge that as Stockton Parish Council meets the criteria for acceptance of this power that this acceptance should be taken - **this motion was unanimously agreed.**

Item 6. Open Forum

There were no issues raised under Open Forum.

Item 7. Apologies for Absence

No apologies were necessary all Cllrs. were in attendance.

Item 8. Acceptance of Apologies from Parish Councillor

No acceptance was necessary

Item 9. Declarations of Interest

There were no Declarations of Interest declared.

Item 10. Minutes of the meeting held on the 17th April 2023

These minutes having been previously circulated, It was noted by Cllr. Millidge and seconded by Cllr. Warner that the minutes be accepted as a true record - **This motion was unanimously agreed.**

Item 11. Matters arising from the minutes of the 17th April 2023.

There were no matters arising

Item 12. Planning Matters:**a. New Planning applications**

There were no new planning applications

b. Planning Decisions by District Council or County Council**Item 13. Financial matters**

It was proposed by Cllr.Millidge and seconded by Cllr.Emberton that all invoices identified on the May agenda appendix 1 be paid – **This motion was unanimously agreed.**

April 2023 Invoices

Payee	Amount	Cheque Number
Low Carbon Products	£1569.32	001625
Hags SMP Ltd.	£16543.33	001626
L.Cole.	£50.00	001627
Gallagher	£1362.24	0016128
G.Farmer	£650.00	001630
SSE	£167.15	001631
Stowe valley MAT	£800.00	001632

Item 14. Code of Conduct

It was proposed by Cllr.Millidge and seconded by Cllr.Kittendorf that Stockton Parish Council approve and appoint the Code of Conduct from Stratford on Avon District Council as its own Code of Conduct.

Item 15. Correspondence

There were no item of correspondence

Item 16. Ongoing References

There were no issues under ongoing references.

Item 17. Removal and addition to ongoing references

There were no further items for removal and addition.

Item 18. 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 was undertaken by the Chair, Clerk, and Cllr. Millidge on April 23rd and the Clerk will forward the register of headstones to the Chair. It was unclear when the playing field had a safety audit, the Clerk will talk to WALC regarding future safety courses with a view to training more people to carry out this inspection.

Item 19. Training and meetings

No training or meetings was undertaken.

Item 20. District Council Issues.

See prior to Open Forum

Item 21. County Council Issues

See prior to Open Forum

Other Issues for information only

It was noted that the hedge at the junction Napton Road and Post Office Lane is overhanging the pavement and impairing the vision splay to the hill (letter to be sent to Cllr. A. Crump asking highways to contact the owner of the hedge)

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