

Stockbridge Parish Council

MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD
THURSDAY 19th May 2022 AT 7:30PM
AT THE TOWN HALL, STOCKBRIDGE HIGH STREET
STOCKBRIDGE



Present: Cllrs A Lawrence (Chair), H Jackson, R Foord, F Parr
T Hales, I Bell.

Apologies: Cllr G Boney, J Leslie, D Halle, T Ward, D Drew

Clerk: Belinda Baker

Public attendance: 4

C/22/017 **Apologies**
Apologies had been received from Cllrs Boney, Leslie, Halle, TVBC Cllr Ward and HCC Cllr Drew.

C/22/018 **To receive declarations of pecuniary interests (DPIs) and other significant interests from members concerning specific items on the agenda**
There were none. Cllr Foord said he was recording the meeting.

C/22/019 **Election of Chair and Vice-Chair**
Cllr Bell proposed Cllr Lawrence as Chair, Cllr Hales seconded. The motion was carried. Cllr Hales proposed Cllr Leslie as Vice-Chair and Cllr Lawrence seconded. The motion was carried. Cllr Lawrence and Cllr Leslie were elected as the Chair and Vice Chair of the Council. Cllr Leslie's appointment was conditional of his acceptance of office at the next meeting.

C/22/020 **Public Participation**
A member of the public spoke about a matter that was inappropriate at a Council meeting. No one else wished to speak.

C/22/021 **Minutes of the Council Meeting held on Thursday 21st April 2022**
a. To approve and sign the minutes of 21st April 2022
The minutes were agreed and noted as a true record of the meeting.
b. To deal with matters arising not on the agenda
There was none
c. To deal with any correspondence
The Clerk notified the Council about a recruitment drive for retained fire fighters at the Stockbridge Fire Station.

C/22/022 **County and Borough Councillor Reports, PCSO report**
Neither the Borough nor County Councillor attended but both had supplied a report. There were no comments.

C/22/023 **Infrastructure Issues**
a. Phone Boxes

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Cllr Halle did not attend so there was no update.

Action: Cllr Halle

b. Trout Pond

An application to the Community Asset fund of TVBC had been submitted. The Chair drew the Council's attention to the fact that TVBC would only fund 50% of the project. The Clerk said the Council had agreed a reserve of £4000 in December. The Council agreed that other sources of funding, including the Fishing Club, should be approached for the remainder.

Action: Clerk

c. Pocket Park/Land Behind the toilets

There was no progress on producing a proposal.

Action: Clerk

d. Cycle Path

Cllr Drew did not attend so there was no update.

e. Lily's path

Cllr Drew had spoken to the Clerk to say he had spoken to Elliot Rowe of HCC rights of way to ask if the tarmacked area could be extended or scalloped. Mr Rowe had been open to the proposal.

Action: Cllr Drew

f. Use of Pavement by traders

Cllr Jackson noted that when traders had tables and chairs on the highway it wasn't possible to get wheeled walking supports through. Cllr Bell said that the pavements weren't wide enough and HCC should either need to widen the pavement or enforce the rules. A member of the public, who was the Chair of Stockbridge Business Assoc, asked to speak and said that the rules were being applied in a haphazard fashion across Hampshire and TVBC seemed to have licensed other places with narrower pavements. He said businesses were trying to create a vibrant environment which people wanted to visit and he asked for the Council's support. Cllr Lawrence said it was important to consider the safety aspects. Cllr Bell didn't consider that the Council should be involved and the matter should be referred to HCC. This was agreed.

C/22/024

Traffic Safety

Cllr Bell, Mrs Jefferies, the Clerk and Cllr Drew had met with Mr Stuart Jarvis and Mr David Wilson of HCC. The minutes had been circulated to the Council before the meeting. Cllr Bell said that HCC appeared to be linking parking on the High Street with Old London Rd and this could mean parking restrictions there. He said parents would therefore need to park on the A30 and there was no safe A30 crossing. He said the results of the feasibility study were waited for but that Mr Wilson was willing to discuss Stockbridge as a whole.

C/22/025

High Street

a. Update on TPWG

Cllr Boney did not attend. The Clerk updated the Council to say that Peter Symonds college had been approached and some students has

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responded. Dates in June was being considered with the students covering the weekend. Cllr Jackson confirmed she was happy to help with the survey. The member of the public who was the Chair of the SBA, said that traders had offered to make the survey available in their shops.

b. HCC, parking and High Street Re-Design

The Clerk confirmed that a meeting was due to take place with Mr Wilson of HCC and Cllr Halle, Cllr Boney. Cllr Foord said it was important that Stockbridge didn't end up in a position of HCC imposing what they wanted to do on Stockbridge. Cllr Bell said that it was vital to obtain the residents agreement with any proposal. Cllr Lawrence pointed out that SPC did not have control over the road and if HCC saw reason to do something, they could do so without the SPC's support.

Action: Clerk

C/22/026

Queen's Platinum Jubilee Celebrations

a. Provide update on the Lantern Community purchase

The Clerk provided a list of donations and expenditure which was now over £5,000.

b. Other Jubilee celebrations

Cllr Foord confirmed he would be putting up the flags towards the end of the next week. The Council agreed that some of the remaining funding of Help for Stockbridge could go towards Jubilee celebratory cakes. A resident had proposed planting cherry trees on Trafalgar Way to complement the millennium trees planted there. The Clerk was obtaining necessary permissions from HCC. Cllr Lawrence said the party in front of the Church was for those who did not have another party to go to.

Action: Clerk

C/22/027

Council Communications

a. June edition of the Newsletter

It was agreed to include the Jubilee celebrations, jubilee mugs, country market and Trout nA'bout.

Action: Clerk

C/22/028

Village amenities

a. Lengthsman Tasks

Cllr Lawrence asked for weeding around the noticeboards and Rosalyn House.

b. Lancaster House

The solicitors had tried to negotiate a reduction in the overage but had been unsuccessful. The Council accepted the increase in the fee by £1500 as agreed C/22/012 was likely.

Action: Clerk

c. Council Noticeboards

These were on order.

d. SID

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e. Maintenance of bins and benches

Cllr Lawrence agreed to obtain a quotation for painting the bins. The lengthsman would be rubbing down and re-varnishing the benches.

Action: Cllr Halle

f. Playground – Actions from recent playground inspection

Cllr Lawrence informed the Council that Cllr Halle had arranged for TVBC to install a bin just outside the playground. The inspection report was agreed to result in low or very low risk issues. Cllr Foord said he would check the gate which had been raised in the report.

Action: Cllr Foord

C/22/029

Policy Review

The Risk Management Strategy policy drawn up by the Clerk was agreed by the Council. The Clerk was asked to include the Christmas Lights on the risk register. The risk assessment for the playground had been completed and the Clerk was asked to draw up the others on the register.

Action: Clerk

C/22/030

Finance

a. Recent Transactions – to approve income and expenditure since last meeting

Income and payments 6-19 were circulated ahead of the meeting and were reviewed and approved. Cllrs noted income and expenditure against bank statements. Income was noted as contribution to the Lantern Arch Jubilee appeal from businesses and residents, payment of the War Memorial Trust grant, payment for the Lengthsman from HCC, payment in error from Standard Life for the Clerk's pension and from Headbourne Worthy PC extra lengthsman payment and a cemetery payment.

Opening bank balance		62646.44
Resident's contributions to Jubilee Arch Appeal	Income	940
HCC (lengthsman)	Income	17600
Stokes (Jubilee arch)	Income	25
S Ltd t/as SW (Jubilee Arch)	Income	250
Kudos (Jubilee Arch)	Income	50
Standard Life returned in error (Clerk & SPC contribution to Clerks' pension)	Income	172.51
Young Johnson (Cemetery)	Income	135
Headbourne Worthy PC (lengthsman)	Income	230.5
War Memorial Trust	Income	5300
Play Inspection Co (playground inspection)	6	90
Waitrose Ltd (soil, plants labour)	7	1236.2
HALC	8	288.07

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B Baker (Zoom Licence)	9	143.88
STHC (Meeting Room)	10	12
B Baker (salary + Lengthsman - pension)	11	729.84
YMML (Clerk's Office expense)	12	30
Oliver Hawkins (weed cut)	13	67.5
HCC (street lighting)	14	853.81
Shane Ling (Lengthsman April)	15	750
Shane Ling (Cemeteries)	16	180
STHC (Meeting Room)	17	28.5
A Lawrence (thank you gift)	18	34.65
Lucy Foord (Jubilee celebration)	19	250
Closing Balance		82625

b. To review budget 2022/2023 year to date.

Expenditure against budget was reviewed, approved and noted.

c. Approve Annual Internal Auditor report 2021/2022

This was approved and there were no comments.

d. Approve Annual Governance Statement 2021/2022

This was approved and there were no comments.

e. Approve Accounting Statement 2021/2022

This was approved and there were no comments

f. Internal Auditors Report 2022

The Auditors comments were noted. Cllr Lawrence asked for Cllrs to be signatories on the bank account. Cllrs Parr and Jackson agreed.

C/22/031

Planning

a. New applications – to agree response

Number	Address	Description	Date
22/01267/TREEN	Walnut Lodge Trafalgar Way Stockbridge Hampshire SO20 6ET	T1 - Spruce - Fell	06/06/22
The Council has no comment to make.			
22/01227/FULLN	Stares Meadow High Street Stockbridge Hampshire SO20 6HE	Change of use from Agricultural Building to Office Building	03/06/20
The Council supports this application on the grounds that by improving the building the views from the public space will be improved.			
22/01219/FULLN	Stares Meadow High Street Stockbridge Hampshire SO20 6HE	Erection of detached 3-bay garage and associated external works	03/06/22
The Council has no objection.			
22/01143/FULLN	Gaynors High Street Stockbridge Hampshire SO20 6HF	Change of use from commercial to residential (Retrospective)	03/06/22

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Stockbridge Parish Council supports this planning application. The building is historic and it will likely receive more investment compared to a commercial unit and it is noted that the building does require some work. Parking would be improved due to the net reduction in spaces generated by a commercial unit compared to a dwelling. A number of High Street dwellings in recent years have been lost to retail units, and reconvert this building back fully to residential (which it was prior to 1992) will help restore the balance between residential and retail. It is felt that because the building is already a dwelling with only two rooms with retail use that this loss will be outweighed by the reasons above.

22/01169/LBWN	Greyhound On The Test High Street Stockbridge Hampshire SO20 6EY	Replacement of first floor front leaded windows to match existing	27/05/22
The Council has no comment to make.			
22/01161/FULLN	Greyhound On The Test High Street Stockbridge Hampshire SO20 6EY	Replacement of first floor front leaded windows to match existing	27/05/22
The Council has no comment to make.			

b. To note recent decisions:

Number	Address	Description	Date
22/00382/TREEN	The Garden Cottage High Street Stockbridge Hampshire SO20 6EX	T1 and T2 - Willow - Fell	Tue 08 Mar 2022
22/00522/FULLN	Lillies Coffeeshop At High Street Stockbridge Hampshire SO20 6HF	Erection of timber clad outbuilding	Withdrawn

c. To note decisions awaited

Number	Address	Description	Date
22/00955/FULLN	St Peters Church High Street Stockbridge Hampshire SO20 6EU	Restore metal arch with lantern over the gates	02/05/22
22/00893/FULLN	Greyhound On The Test, High Street, Stockbridge, Hampshire	Temporary canopy	06/05/22
22/00804/FULLN	Manor Farm, The Tallet , Marsh Court Road, Stockbridge, Hampshire	Change of use from agricultural to residential land	06/05/22
22/00872/LBWN	Lane End , High Street, Stockbridge, Hampshire	Internal works including the installation of a sink unit, data and electrical sockets, and display units	29/04/22
22/00858/FULLN	1 Riverside Cottages, High Street, Stockbridge, Hampshire	Erection of a rear two storey pitched roof extension and a single storey flat roof extension	29/04/22
22/00363/FULLN	The Pump House Marsh Court Road Stockbridge Hampshire SO20 6JH	Change of use of pumphouse to create a new dwellinghouse and use of land for ancillary parking and garden space (Retrospective)	Fri 08 Apr 2022
21/02776/Fulln	Land At The Rear Of Greyhound Inn High Street S'bridge SO20 6EY	Erection of fishing hut	12/11/21

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21/02064/FULLN	Greyhound On The Test High Street Stockbridge Hampshire SO20 6EY	Demolition and replacement of existing fishing hut (re-submission of 18/01444/FULLN)	24/08/21
20/01722/FULLN	Rosemary High Street Stockbridge Hampshire SO20 6HF	Change of use from existing depot to residential development of 4 x 2 bed homes with assoc. access, parking	20/08/20

d. Enforcement – to note any enforcement matters

There were none.

C/22/032

Items for next agenda and date of next meeting

The next meeting is due to be held 16th June 2022. Items for the agenda

Co-Option of Councillor

TPWG Survey

Cllr Johnston presentation on plans for Stockbridge

Action: Clerk

The meeting closed at 8:10 pm.

Signed.....

Date.....