

**Minutes of the Monthly Meeting of Stockton Parish Council held in the Village Hall, Stockton, at 7.15pm on 16<sup>th</sup> April 2018**

**Those present: -**

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

District Councillor:

County Councillor: Cllr.A.Crump

Public:

**Item 1. Open Forum**

There were no issues raised under open forum.

**Item 21. County Council Issues**

The Chairman brought agenda item 21 forward to facilitate County Cllr Crump  
Cllr.Crump noted that a community payback scheme has been utilised in Southam to clear the area around the school.

Cllr.Crump also noted that the County Council is finalising its finances for the year and is likely to be within budget

Cllr.Crump noted that P.Byrne of the highways department is under pressure due to an annual leave situation, and that agreement has been reached on signage between Stockton and Napton.

Cllr.Crump indicated that there has been a low take up from Stockton for small grants from his community grant and is inviting small initiatives to apply.

The children's centre is likely to be in the Grange Hall Southam with the same hours of business.

There being no further issues the Chairman thanked Cllr.Crump for his attendance and report and Cllr.Crump left the meeting.

**Item 2. Apologies for Absence**

Parish Cllrs: Cllr. Millidge

District Cllr:

County Cllr:

**Item 3. Acceptance of Apologies from Parish Councillors**

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

**Item 4. Declarations of Interest**

There were no declarations of Interest

**Item 5. Minutes of the meetings held on the 18<sup>th</sup> March 2018**

These minutes having been previously circulated, it was proposed by Cllr. Emberton and seconded by Cllr.Kittendorf that they be accepted as a true record - **This motion was unanimously agreed.**

**Item 6. Matters arising from the minutes of the 18<sup>th</sup> March 2017**

New Arrivals: The Chairman will attend the meeting organised by the Church on 12<sup>th</sup> May to welcome new arrivals to the village and will produce an A5 sheet listing parish Council details.

Countrywide Stores: It was noted that a resident has supplied the parish magazine with a lot of information regarding countrywide stores and its history.

**Item 7. Annual Governance Statement for the year 2017-2018**

After discussion and consideration it was proposed by Cllr. Kittendorf and seconded

By Cllr.Emberton that the Annual Governance Statement is approved and the Clerk and Chairman may sign page 4 of the Annual Governance and Accountability Return 2017/18 part 3 – **This motion was unanimously agreed**

**Item 8. Planning Matters:**

18/00877/AGNOT, Top New Zealand Farm: Grain store – **No Representation (under delegated powers)**

18/00731/FUL, 10 High Street: Two storey side extension, rebuild kitchen, rebuild garage in new position – **No Representation (under delegated powers)**

**a. Planning Decisions by District Council or County Council**

**Item 9. Financial Matters**

It was proposed by Cllr. Warner and seconded by Cllr. Emberton that all invoices shown in the April 2018 Agenda Appendix 1 be paid - **This motion was unanimously agreed.**

**Item 10. Annual Accounting Statements for the year 2017-2018**

After discussion and consideration it was proposed by Cllr. Kittendorf and seconded by Cllr. Warner that the Annual Accounting Statements 2017/18 is approved and the Clerk and Chairman may sign page 5 of the Annual Governance and Accountability Return 2017/18 part 3 – **This motion was unanimously agreed**

**Item 11. Correspondence and Reports**

There was no correspondence for consideration

**Item 12. Finance & Strategy Group**

There were no items for discussion

**Item 13. Amenity Group**

Playing Field: After a meeting between Cllr. Millidge the Chairman, and D. Cooper it was agreed that D. Cooper will provide a schedule of works for playing field hedges, tree, etc. to be carried out in August/September.

**Item 14. Correspondence not passed to Action Groups**

HMRC: The Clerk brought to the notice of the Council a small change to the VAT 126 claim form. This change will not impact upon the way that VAT is reclaimed it is just an administrative change.

**Item 15. Ongoing References**

Community Forum: The Chairman will attend the next meeting

Parish Paths: The Chairman indicated that we are running out of waymarker covers and that more will be needed.

Website: Cllr. Emberton noted that issues with the website appear to have been resolved and it is now up and running. We now have a dedicated Parish Council email address and this is [clerk@stockton-warks-pc.gov.uk](mailto:clerk@stockton-warks-pc.gov.uk) and will be a permanent fixture. There was a discussion regarding Cllr. email addresses and it was agreed that they should be within the Parish Council website, Cllr. Emberton and the Clerk will facilitate this with Edge IT Systems.

Orbit Elm Row garages planning application: After a request from Orbit to review the Parish Council comments to the planning authority, the Parish Council in discussion decided that the comments were still valid, and rather than having a planning committee determine them by use of conditions, they should be reviewed in total by the applicant.

**Item 16. Additions and Removals to Ongoing References**

There were no additions or removals to ongoing references.

**Item 17. GDPR**

The Chairman will review the policies from SLCC/WALC and pass to Cllrs for comment by next meeting.

**Item 18. Parish Council Calendar Actions**

Monthly budget monitoring: This is ongoing at this time

Audit of footpaths. This will take place on an ongoing basis by the Chairman

**Item 19. Training and Meetings**

The Clerk gave a report on the requirements of the General Data Protection Regulation, and the potential effect upon the Parish Council and its business.

**District Council issues**

There were no issues for consideration

**County Council issues**

As previously minuted (Item 2)

**Other Issues for information only**

Verges: It was noted that residents are complaining about damage to verges from vehicles parking and driving on them.

Traffic calming: The Clerk will contact the Clerk at Bishops Itchington Parish Council to determine who provided the speed humps and how they were funded.

There being no further business the Chairman closed the meeting at 8.45pm.