### Minutes of the Monthly Meeting of Stockton Parish Council held in the Village Hall, Stockton, at 7.15pm on 19th February 2018

# Those present: -

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

District Councillor: Cllr.A.Crump

County Councillor: Cllr.A.Crump

Public: 1 X Member of the public, plus 2 representatives from Orbit Housing Association

**Orbit Housing**

Ms.Z.Siani and Mr.P.Hawksworth gave a presentation of the proposed developments in George Street and Elm row, and answered questions from Parish Councillors.

The developments are as follows:-

* George Street – 3 two bedroomed properties and 1 three bedroomed property

It was noted that residents who left the flats and are rehoused will have the opportunity to return to the new dwellings if they so wish

* Elm Row garages site will now be 4 two bedroomed dwellings and some occupants of garages will have the possibility of another garage in Elm Row, but not all.

All properties on both sites will be rental properties, and there will need to be a local connection as defined in the Sec. 106 agreement. It was further noted that those who wish to be considered for occupation of one of these properties will need to be on Stratford on Avon District Council’s waiting list.

The Chairman thanked Ms. Siani and Mr.Hawksworth for the attendance and participation, and they then left the meeting

**Open Forum**

There were issues raised under open forum.

# Apologies for Absence

Parish Cllrs:

District Cllr:

County Cllr:

**Acceptance of Apologies from Parish Councillors**

# All Cllrs. were in attendance

# Declarations of Interest

There were no Declarations of Interest.

**Minutes of the meetings held on the 19th January 2018**

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

**Matters arising from the minutes of the 18th December 2017**

*Grit Bins*: It was noted that the grit bins had not been refilled, the Clerk will inform Mr.P.Byrne of the Highways department.

*Napton Road:* Cllr.Warner noted that large lorries were now coming through the village and also using Station Road to the detriment of the road and the verges. Cllr.Warner also noted that he attended a meeting with Jo Edwards and Cllr.Crump of the County Council and Ms.Edwards noted that where these lorries are damaging the verges and can be identified measures can be taken against them.

**Planning Matters:**

There were no planning matters.

**County Council issues**

The Chairman brought this item forward from the agenda to facilitate Cllr.Crump

County Cllr.Crump noted the County Council has increased its portion of the council tax to 4.9%.

Cllr.Crump further noted that a public enquiry will take place this week into the proposed temporary travellers site on the Southam to Staverton Road, and he will keep chasing the highways department regarding the damage by lorries on the Napton and Station Roads

# Financial Matters

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

# Correspondence and Reports

Cllr.P.Banham: the Council heard with regret that Cllr.Banham feels that he can no longer continue as a Parish Councillor, and it was noted that he has served on the Parish Council for about 16 years and been an active member for those years. The Council will consider how to thank Cllr.Banham for his service to the village.

The Clerk will start the process of filling a casual vacancy.

## Finance & Strategy Group

There were no items for discussion.

## Amenity Group

As the member of the public has left the Parish Council considered the matter of the village mowing contract, and it was decided to award the contract on a three year basis subject to further discussions regarding the cemetery.

**Correspondence not passed to Action Group**

## There were no outstanding items.

**Ongoing References**

*Community Forum*: The next meeting will be attended by the Chairman and Cllr.Emberton

*Parish Paths*: The Chairman noted that he has fitted some way marker post caps and the rest will be fitted on an ongoing basis.

Website: Cllr.Emberton noted that all issues regarding hosting have now been resolved and the website is ready for use. Cllr.Emberton noted some village organisations details on the website are out of date so he is asking all organisations to review these details and give him the up to date details. The Chairman indicated that he will meet with Cllr.Emberton next week to determine how to update the site if Cllr.Emberton is absent

*Public lighting:* It was agreed that the Chairman will continue a dialogue with the alternative supplier. The Clerk is to ascertain when the light to the three columns can be switched off to allow a new light column to be fitted.

*Cemetery Extension:* J.Frogley is to be contacted to erect a fence and gate in t6he extension.

*Cemex Quarry:* The Chairman noted that the liaison committee had been informed that there was the annual shutdown of the kilns in Rugby in early February, and that should hopefully mean that another shutdown this winter will not be necessary. The committee was also notified that Cemex has no significant exposure to Carillion. The conveyor between sites will be ready in about three weeks (for a test run), and commissioned in May with extraction due to start in early 2019.

**Additions and Removals to Ongoing References**

There were no additions or removals to ongoing references.

**Parish Council Calendar Actions**

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

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

**Training and Meetings**

There were no meeting or training attended

**District Council issues**

There were no issues for consideration

**County Council issues**

As previously minuted

**Other Issues**

New arrivals: It was noted that the church will put on a “Welcome Weekend” for all new arrivals in the village, and it was hoped that all organisation including the Parish Council will be in attendance.

*Street Sweeping*: Cllr.Millidge noted that the village has not been swept for some time – The Clerk is to contact street scene at the District Council.

*Code of Conduct*: Cllr.Emberton will make the changes to the document to reflect Stockton Parish Council and it will be presented to the Parish Council for formal adoption at the next meeting.

*Villager of the Year:* It was noted that thus far there are two nominees. The Clerk will add this to the agenda for the next meeting.

*Action Plan:* It was noted that the action plan is an ongoing document for action.

**Village Mowing**

As previously minuted

**There being no further business the Chairman closed the meeting at 9.30pm.**