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<p style="text-align: center;"><u>Minutes of the Monthly Meeting of Stockton Parish Council held in Stockton Village Hall at 7.15pm on 17th February 2020</u></p> <p><u>Those present: -</u> Parish Councillors: Cllrs: H.Collerson, D.Crate, J.Emberton, C.Millidge, T. Warner, W.Rumsey.</p> <p>District Councillor: Cllr.L.Adam</p> <p>County Councillor: Cllr.A.Crump</p> <p>Public: 5 members of the public</p> <p><u>Item 1. Open Forum</u> The Chair welcomed all to the meeting and asked Mr.M.Sharples to address the meeting as requested. Mr.M.Sharples then gave an overview of the situation thus far with regard to the scout field and the playing field, noting that the District Council planning department have not given any indication when the new site allocation plan is likely to be approved or otherwise, and this means that there is further confusion regarding the self- build status of proposed houses and reallocation of the scout hut. This has an ongoing effect in that the continuation of the lease for the playing field is now in limbo. District Cllr.Adam will try to find out the time scale for the adoption of the site allocation plan and indeed ask how the self-build sites will be looked at. The Clerk noted that the legislation states that self-build sites must be looked at in planning terms no matter where they are in the BUAB. Mr.Sharples noted that planning application for the re-siting of the scout field was approved despite it being outside the BUAB. It was agreed that the Parish Council will write to R.Weeks and the Chief Executive of the District Council asking this self-build planning application will be dealt with, and also that the Parish Council will set a meeting with T & C Sharples to look at the issue of the playing field and its future. Mr Sharples then gave a presentation regarding the potential development of part of the car park at the Crown Inn to include some dwellings for rental and a small unit potentially for a hairdresser and café,</p> <p><u>Item 18. The Chair brought agenda item 18 forward to accommodate District Cllr. Adam</u> The Laurels: Cllr.Adam noted that the refusal of this application shows what can be done when all parties work together. Green Bin Charge: Cllr.Adam noted that the Lib Dems are putting a motion forward to delay the imposition of this charge and is looking at the potential effect this could have on the traffic to and from Stockton tip. Orbit: Cllr.Adam is attempting to look at the satisfaction that residents have with Orbits service. The Chairman noted that the George Street site is now being refurbished rather than rebuilt as the planning application depicted, and pointed out this should be looked at by the planners and if necessary the Enforcement Officer informed (the application permission was for demolition and rebuild as houses for rental not refurbished).</p> <p>There being no further items the Chair thanked Cllr.Adam for his attendance.</p> <p><u>Item 19. The Chair brought agenda item 17 forward to accommodate District Cllr. Crump</u> Orbit; Cllr.Crump noted that he too is looking at Orbit and its tenant's satisfaction. The Laurels: Cllr.Crump noted that this application was the wrong scheme for the site Budget: Cllr.Crump noted that the County Council budget for 2020-2021 will be set on 18th February and the budget is likely to increase by 3.99%. It was noted that children and adult social care, education, fire and rescue, special needs education take 80% of the annual budget. Speed cameras: Cllr.Crump noted that the County Council are trialling average speed cameras in the county given that in Coventry they appear to work effectively. Flooding: Cllr.Crump noted that there will be £1M extra resources for flooding over the next 5 years and that the County Council wants to reduce its carbon footprint by 85%</p>	

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There being no further items the Chair thanked Cllr.Adam for his attendance

Item 1. Open Forum

The Chairman reinstated the open forum

A member of the scout group asked that in minutes and correspondence the scout field be referred to by that name rather than the old football field. The chairman in response noted that the parish Council refers to that field in the same terms as the owners.

A member of the public asked if the Parish Council knows what is happening to the Garages at the top of Elm Row/George Street, as there is a notice of demolition posted and given that the rear of the individual garages is the effectively the rear wall of the gardens at the top of George Street. The Chairman pointed out that he and the Council are unaware of what is happening. District Cllr.Adam pointed out that it will be up to the contract holders to ensure that these rear walls are left in a safe condition no matter what happens to the garages, and if this does not happen the Enforcement Officer should be informed.

There being no further items for discussion the open forum was closed.

Item 2. Apologies for Absence

Parish Cllrs: Cllr.H.Kittendorf

District Cllr:

County Cllr:

Item 3. Acceptance of Apologies from Parish Councillors

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

Item 4. Declarations of Interest

There were no declarations of interest

Item 5. Minutes of the meeting held on the 20th January 2020

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

Item 6. Matters arising from the minutes of the 20th January 2020

Dog Mess: The Chairman has obtained stencils, the Clerk will get spray paint in a bright colour

Hedges: The Chairman and Cllrs will keep a watching brief

Footpath St.Michael's Crescent: It was noted that developer has made the repair

Verges: The Chair is to contact R.Pundsack for a quote.

Item 7. Planning Matters:

a. New Planning applications

20/00411/DDT, Stockton House: Remove 2 dead pine trees with one replacement for information only

20/00449/DDT' Stockton House: Remove 1 dead larch tree, for information only

b. Planning Decisions by District Council or County Council

Item 8. Financial Matters

It was proposed By Cllr.Millidge and seconded by Cllr.Warner that all invoices listed on the 17th February 2020 agenda appendix 1 be paid - **This motion was unanimously agreed.**

Item 9. Correspondence

Villager of the year: The Chairman will put a precis of all nominations on an email to all Cllrs. for consideration at the March meeting

Item 10. Finance and Strategy Group Report

Playing Field: The Chairman noted that he has repaired the fencing with a note that the fence post has been broken, M.Childs will repair.

A426 crossroads: The Chairman has finally found someone at BT who insists that Openreach will not park on the grass verge at the crossroads while working on the street cabinet.

Item 11. Amenity Group Report

There were no reports to discuss

Item 12. Correspondence not passed to Groups

There was no correspondence

Item 13. Ongoing References

There were no issues to report

Item 14. Removal and Additions to Ongoing References

There were no removals or additions to ongoing references

Item 15. Parish Council Calendar Actions

Budget Monitoring: The budget monitoring spreadsheet was presented to the meeting and approved

Audit of footpaths: The Chairman has sent a letter regarding potholes to P.Byrne.

Item 16. Training and meeting

There were no training or meetings attended

Item 17. Parish Council meeting dates for 2020-2021

The meeting dates having been listed were approved

Item 18. District Council Issues

See after Open Forum

Item 19. County Council Issues

See after Open Forum

Other Issues for information only

Cllr.Crane noted that his employer JLR has a scheme for Community Social Responsibility (CSR) to provide some communities with support for local issues and asked whether Stockton could use this facility. The Chairman noted that the school and play equipment in the playing field could do with some painting. Cllr.Crane will put this to JLR when we have details of the work to be done, Cllr.Millidge and the Chairman will identify that in need.

Cllr.Warner noted that the road sweeper came around on a Sunday when all the cars were parked on the road, The Clerk is to contact street scene.

Cllr.Warner noted that the drain opposite the rear of M.Redgrave's house is blocked and also the drain outside D.Stevens, the Clerks is to contact P.Byrne.

Cllr.Warner noted that the tree by the pond is leaning quite badly and as a large branch has already fallen this is a danger to traffic. The Clerk will talk to R.Rose Forestry Officer at the District Council.

The scout group asked what would be the response of the Parish Council to a request from individual scouts for travel funding, it was noted that to date the Parish Council has not funded any individuals from any organisation, nor is it minded to do so.

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