STOCKTON PARISH COUNCIL

Minute Number 01 (20 - 21)

Minutes of the Virtual Monthly Meeting of Stockton Parish Council Held via Zoom at 7.15pm on 26th April 2021.

Those present: -

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

H.Kittendorf

District Councillor: Cllr.L.Adam

County Councillor: Cllr.A.Crump

Public: 1 member

Item 1. Open Forum

The Chairman welcomed all present to the meeting.

A member of the public noted that she has applied to the Wigley Group for a contribution to a defibrillator and cabinet for placement in the old public telephone box and that this request has been approved by the Wigley Group. She indicated that she would continue to apply on the Parish Council's behalf if the Council wishes, to the heartbeat foundation trust, and will continue the follow up by contacting the electricity board for a supply to the phone box. The Chairman noted that she will need the support of others and the member of the public indicated that the Community Heartbeat Trust will assist with training and that she will also promote the scheme on facebook.

The Chairman her for her efforts.

The Chairman brought items 19 & 20 on the agenda forward to accommodate the District and County Cllrs.

Item 19. District Council Issues.

The Chairman invited District Cllr. Adam to address the meeting.

Cllr.Adam noted that there was a motion from the District Council (DC) thanked to the CC re street lighting and how they should be turned on or off dependent upon community wishes.

A meeting of Councillors from the DC has come to the conclusion that there is not much response from HS2 regarding a request of the future of the A426 closure at Ufton to Southam.

Cllr.Adam noted that the District Council will take the lead on the Sustrans cycleway plan. This has been approved by SOADC, Warwick DC and Rugby BC and noted the police are aware of the motorbikes and quadbikes that use the proposed cycleway.

Cllr.Adam noted that the vaccination rates within the district are at going well with the most take up in the country.

There were no further issues from Cllr.Adam, and the Chairman thanked him for his attendance at the virtual meeting

Item 20. County Council Issues.

The Chairman invited County Cllr. Crump to address the meeting.

Cllr.Crump noted that he is taking his re-election campaign to the streets of the ward, delivering leaflets, and noted that to date he has not received any abuse.

Cllr.Crump noted that the street light issue is more complicated than the on/off issue, and the whole package of safety measures e.g hedge cutting, respect for others (especially women) and indeed this should start in school.. The cost of street lighting is £800,000 per year, and if they must be

kept on for longer periods, what service will have to spend less to pay for it, money must be spent wisely.

Cllr.Crump noted that HS2 contractors are still trying to be credible.

Cllr.Crump noted that there are now new police beat manager – Steve Hope.

Cllr.Crump noted that the Fire and Rescue Service are now promoting a water safety campaign.

It was noted by Cllrs. that the new booking system at the Stockton Recycling Centre is causing some traffic back-ups and as this is a road safety issue then more signage is needed – the Clerk is to write to Cllr.Crump giving him this information.

There were no further issues from Cllr.Crump and the Chairman thanked him for his attendance at the virtual meeting.

Item 2. Apologies for Absence

Parish Cllrs: Cllr.Emberton, Cllr.Crate

District Cllr: County Cllr:

Item 3. Acceptance of Apologies from Parish Councillors

It was proposed by Cllr.Millidge and seconded by Cllr.Warner that these apologies for absence 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 15^{th of} March 2021.

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

Item 6. Matters arising from the minutes of the 15^{th of} March 2021.

Usage of the Village Green: After determining that a proposed shed structure was intended for use it was decided that the Council could not approve this usage of the village green.

Item 7. Planning Matters:

a. New Planning applications

20/00916/FUL, 15 Laurel Drive: Erection of a two-storey rear extension and part garage – **No Representation.**

b. Planning Decisions by District Council, County Council, or Planning Inspectorate

Item 8. Financial Matters

It was proposed By Cllr.Warner and seconded by Cllr.Kittendorf that all invoices listed on the April agenda appendix 1 and shown below be paid -

This motion was unanimously agreed.

£243.47	Cheque Number 001482
£303.60	Cheque Number 001483
£10.00	Cheque Number 001484
£650.00	Cheque Number 001485
£177.54	Cheque Number 001486
£419.05	Cheque Number 001487
£350.00	Cheque Number 001488
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Item 9. Correspondence

WALC: Code of Conduct, WALC recommends that Parish Councils should wait until the District Council formally adopts the new code before adopting it themselves to avoid confusion about different codes. It was proposed by Cllr.Collerson and seconded by Cllr. Warner that Stockton Parish Council waits until Stratford on Avon District Council formally adopts the new Code of Conduct before adopting it. - **This motion was unanimously agreed.**

Item 10 Year End Bank Reconciliation

It was proposed by Cllr.Collerson and seconded by Cllr.Warner that the Year End Bank Reconciliation be accepted - **This motion was unanimously agreed.**

Item 11. Annual Governance Statement

It was proposed by Cllr.Millidge and seconded by Cllr.Kittendorf that the Annual Governance Statement be accepted - **This motion was unanimously agreed.**

Item 12. Annual Accounting Statement

It was proposed by Cllr.Collerson and seconded by Cllr.Warner that the Annual Accounting Statement be accepted - **This motion was unanimously agreed.**

Item 13. Ongoing References

Street Lighting: It was agreed that the annual street light replacements will continue in Elm Row, with old columns replaced in School Street, Manor Road and Mount Pleasant.

Playing Field: It was noted that a new 21-year lease has been signed and a parishioner will attempt to form a new playing field committee.

Cemex Liaison Committee: The Chairman noted that he could not sign into the last zoom meeting of this committee, but a set of minutes will be sent to him.

Item 14. Removal and Additions to Ongoing References

There were no removals or additions to ongoing references.

Item 15. Annual Parish Council meeting and Annual Parish meeting

Dates for meetings: After discussion it was agreed that the Annual Meeting of the Parish Council will take place on Tuesday 4th May 2021 at 7.00 via zoom.

The annual meeting of the parish will take place later in the month when we can meet as a parish, the Wigley Group may be able to support this.

Delegation of powers: it was agreed that the Clerk will have delegated powers to pay invoices before a meeting if necessary, and where the Parish Council cannot meet will have delegated powers to determine planning applications.

Item 15. Parish Council Policies

This item is deferred to the next meeting.

Item 16. Village Green Usage

This item was dealt with earlier in the meeting.

Trees on the Village green: It was noted that some residents like them, but others ask what will happen to the fair should it come this year. The Clerk will contact the fair owner and ask can he cite the fair around the trees.

Item 17. Parish Council Calendar Actions

These were deferred to a further meeting.

Item 18. Training and meetings

The Chairman gave a report on the zoom census meeting attended.

Item 19. District Council Issues.

This item was dealt with and recorded after the Open Forum.

Item 20. County Council Issues.

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Other Issues for information only

It was noted that the government is asking for a response to a questionnaire regarding online meetings, each Cllr. can respond.

There being no further business, the Chairman closed the meeting at 9.45pm	