

**Minutes of the Monthly Meeting of Stockton Parish Council
held in Stockton Village Hall at 7.15pm on 20th January 2020**

Action

Those present: -

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

District Councillor: Cllr.L.Adam

County Councillor: Cllr.A.Crump

Public: 2 members of the public

Item 1. Open Forum

The Chair welcomed all to the meeting and asked whether there were any issues under open forum.

A member of the public wished the Parish Council a very happy new year and hoped that the progress in the new year will match last year. The member of the public brought to the attention of the Parish Council the fact that Orbit contractors have damaged verges in Manor Road by their own vehicles and because of the way that their vehicles were parked caused other road users to go across verges making more. In response the Chair noted that he has heard this complaint from another source and will raise the matter with our District Councillor when agenda item 17 is discussed.

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

Item 18. The Chair brought agenda item 18 forward to accommodate County Cllr. Crump

Stockton Crossroads and signage: Cllr.Crump has noted that the residents of Greaves Cottages have complained to him about residents from the new developments in Long Itchington speeding along the road to the Stockton crossroads.

Napton Road crossroads: Cllr.Crump noted that there be some work done at this crossroads.

HS2: Cllr.Crump noted that further work on this issue has meant further chaos on the roads but that the contractor has stated that parishes along the route will be kept informed. Cllr.Warner noted that this is nonsense that on at least one day per week there is traffic chaos along the road to Leamington Spa, this must be costing the local economy a lot of money with people being late for work, and the developers are not answerable to anyone and they are getting away with this chaotic behaviour.

School admissions: Cllr.Crump noted that there are difficulties with admissions to some schools especially in Southam, with the school governors indicating that they are full, but the County education department stating they are not.

Flooding: Cllr.Crump noted that the county had over 200 drains blocking issues, and that there are problems with the sewers in Napton, and asked that if there are any issues within Stockton that they are reported to him, however it was noted that Warwickshire came joint 1st for the quality of its roads..

Grants: Cllr.Crump noted that 4 organisations in Stockton have received grants.

SM17: Cllr.Crump noted that Richard Barnard of WCC is the individual to contact regarding replacement for the stile on SM17.

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

Item 17. The Chair brought agenda item 17 forward to accommodate District Cllr. Adam

Green waste bins: Cllr.Adam noted that the District Council will install charges for the use of the green waste bins across the district and that he will continue to fight against the charge, and will also attempt to find out how the residents will be informed. It is as yet unclear what the implications for Stockton refuse centre and the road leading to it are should a large number of residents decide to physically move their green waste to the tip by car.

Park run: Cllr.Adam noted that a resident is setting up a park run at the Dallas Burston polo ground in Southam which could be good for the community.

HS2: Cllr.Adam noted that HS2 are holding a consultation regarding the aesthetics of bridges and other structures.

George Street flats: The Chairman indicated to Cllrs. Adam and Crump that work has commenced on these dwellings and asking both Cllrs to advise the planning department that this development needs to be looked at closely to determine whether what is being done to the site conforms to the planning conditions.
Manor Road verges: The Chairman noted to Cllr.Adam that there is great difficulty in contacting a person at the Orbit organisation so the chair will send a copy of complaint regarding the verges to Cllr.Adam asking that he forwards it to his contact in the organisation, Cllr.Adam agreed to this.

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

Item 2. Apologies for Absence

Parish Cllrs: Cllr.J.Emberton

District Cllr:

County Cllr:

Item 3. Acceptance of Apologies from Parish Councillors

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

Item 4. Declarations of Interest

The Chair noted that he has an interest in cheque number 001397

Item 5. Minutes of the meeting held on the 16th December 2019

These minutes having been previously circulated, it was proposed by Cllr. Millidge 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 16th December 2019

There were no matters arising from the meeting

Item 7. Planning Matters:

a. New Planning applications

19/00566/S106A: Church View, School Street: Variation to S106 Agreement dated 11 December 2008 regarding restrictions to the occupation and ownership of the dwelling. – **No representation**

b. Planning Decisions by District Council or County Council

Item 8. Financial Matters

It was proposed By Cllr.Millidge and seconded by Cllr.Crate that all invoices listed on the 18th January 2020 agenda appendix 1 be paid - **This motion was unanimously agreed.**

Item 9. Correspondence

SLCC Practitioners Conference: It was unanimously agreed that the Clerk would in the light of the agendas determine which day if any he would attend.

Item 10. Finance and Strategy Group Report

There were no reports to discuss

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 having been previously circulated was approved.

Villager of the Year: One nomination has been received.

Grit bins: All grit bins were full on inspection.

Safety Audit of playing field and cemetery: The audit was carried out by Cllrs.Millidge and Kittendorf, and some loose headstones were brought to the attention of the Council. The Amenity Group will attempt to find the descendants of those named on the headstones and will look at alternative action should they remain loose. (The Clerk will contact Banbury Town Council cemetery manager to find details of the mason on the Banbury site to check these alternatives.)

Item 16. Training and meeting

There were no training or meetings attended

Item 17. Training and meeting

See after Item 18

Item 16. Training and meeting

See after item 1 Open Forum

Other Issues for information only

Dog Mess: Cllr.Crate noted that on a walk from his house to the Post Office he noticed a great deal of dog mess, the Clerk and Chair will look for spray paint and dog mess stencils.

Bins outside Barley Mow: It was noted that bins from numbers 2,3,4,&5 are still being left on the pavement, despite having a dedicated bin area, the Clerk will contact Street Scene, and the highways to have them removed

For sale signs; These are still on Napton Road.

Hedges: It was noted that the hedge by Jamie Stringers needs to be cut back.

Public footpath St.Michael's Crescent: Cllr.Rumsey noted that on the public side of the fence there are nails sticking through (at child height), the Chair will talk to the developer.

Verges: It was noted that we still have some grass reinforcing square, the chair will contact R.Pundsack to see if they could be utilised to support other verges.

Clean up day: The Chair noted that there is relatively little rubbish lying about and thought that we should defer the pickup day until the autumn.

VE Day; The Chair indicated that he will write to all village organisations asking whether they wish to do anything to celebrate VE day.

There being no further business the Chair closed the meeting at 8.50pm.