

Minute Number 04 (26 - 27)

**Minutes of the Monthly Meeting of Stockton Parish Council
Held in Stockton Village Hall at 7.15pm on 20th July 2026.**

Those present: -

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

District Councillor: Cllr. A.Crump

County Councillor: Cllr. .A.Crump

Public: No members of the public in attendance

The Chair welcomed all to the July 2026 Monthly Meeting of Stockton Parish Council.

The Chair brought agenda items 15 and 16 forward to accommodate the Principal authorities member present Cllr.Crump.

Item 15 & 16. County and District Council Issues

Cllr,Crump noted the following:-

Both WDC & SDC Councils voted to move the South Warwickshire Local Plan to the Reg 19 Consultation Stage - where residents can comment on its soundness, deliverability etc. The vote at SDC was 24 in Favour (19 Lib Dems, 3 Conservatives, 1 Independent and 1 Green) with 11 against (7 Conservatives - including me, 2 Greens, 1 Independent, 1 Reform).

At WDC it was much closer with 21 in favour, 15 against and 2 abstentions

The Statutory consultation on the Regulation 19 Plan will run for 7 weeks from Tuesday 21st July until Tuesday 8th September
The 106 houses that were included, at the last minute into the Plan, for Stockton were taken out after the head of the Plan received a robust email from me about it

Information from the document highlights the disproportionality of the number of houses our area is getting, compared to the rest of the District

**Latest Minimum House Numbers –
Strategic Growth Locations (SGL) -SWLP**

Bidford BID.1 Bidford 2,225 (13%)

Henley HEN Northwest of Henley 2,084 (12%)

Southam SOU.1 West of Southam 3,122 (18%) – 3rd highest

Stratford North STR.1 Stratford North 777 }

Stratford South East STR.2 Stratford South East 2,727} (24%)

Stratford West STR.3 Stratford West 687 }

Wellesbourne WEL.1 North of Wellesbourne 1,331 (8%)

New Settlement LMA Long Marston Airfield 4,500 (25%)

Stratford District total 17,453

SWLP Housing Numbers by Settlement – Appendix 2 – a snapshot of some other settlements in the District

Alcester 375

Gaydon 183

Kineton 228

Shipston 524

Studley 406

We wonder how young people will get on the property ladder in those areas and whether there will be much affordable housing in those areas

WARWICKSHIRE TO BE SPLIT IN TWO

The government recently announced the scrapping of all 5 of Warwickshire's district and borough councils and Warwickshire County Council, to be replaced by 'North Warwickshire' and 'South Warwickshire' councils.

Rather than merging all borough and district councils in with the county council, the government have made the decision to create two Warwickshire councils.

'North Warwickshire Council' will include Rugby, Nuneaton, Bedworth, Atherstone and Coleshill.

'South Warwickshire' will cover Leamington, Warwick, Kenilworth, Southam and Stratford.

I and the Warwickshire Conservatives group at WCC are not supportive of this, but we appreciate there are a range of views and the most important thing is that any decision on this must be made to work as effectively as possible for residents. We will do whatever we can to make sure we take the opportunities, and manage the risks.

Hybrid booking system at HWRCs

Warwickshire County Council has announced that a new hybrid booking system will be introduced across its Household Waste Recycling Centres (HWRCs), coming into effect on Monday, 20 July 2026.

Case work (Ongoing)

Traffic calming in village/crossroad works

Dog issues – attacks, barking etc

School places

Bin issues

Management companies

This concluded Cllr. Crump's report and the Chair thanked him for his attendance. Cllr. Crump left the meeting.

Item 1. Open Forum

There were no items raised under open forum

Item 2. Apologies for Absence

The following apologies for absence were received: -

Parish Cllrs: Cllr.W.Rumsey.

District Cllrs:

County Cllrs:

Item 3. Acceptance of Apologies

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

Item 4. Declaration of Interest

There were no Declarations of Interest

Item 5. Dispensations

No Dispensations were required

Item 6. Minutes of the Monthly Parish Council meeting on 15th June 2026

These minutes having been previously circulated, It was proposed by Cllr.Kittendorf and seconded by Cllr.R.Rumsey that the minutes of the meeting on 15th June 2026 be accepted as a true record - **This motion was unanimously agreed.**

Item 7. Matters arising from the minutes of the Monthly Parish Council meeting 15th June 2026

Cllr. Emberton noted that the matter listed as the Monitoring Officer Report did not have an adequate explanation, so the Clerk and the Chair explained that from this time when the Declaration of Interests are signed by Cllrs., there is no requirement that their home addresses are listed on the document. The Cllrs. may if they wish list their home addresses but there is no compulsion so to do as before.

Item 8. Planning Matters

a. New Planning applications

There were no planning applications received

b. Planning Decisions by District Council or County Council

Item 9. Financial Matters

It was proposed by Cllr. Millidge and seconded by Cllr. R. Rumsey that all invoices identified on the 20th July 2026 agenda appendix 1 be paid – **This motion was unanimously agreed.**

July 2025 Invoices

<u>Payee</u>	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Cheque No</u>
R. Stephenson	£16.00	001858
Midland Sign & Lighting	£246.00	001859
FMF Contractors	£1,194.00	001860
SLCC	£116.00	001861
W. Robinson	£52.32	001862
Pear Technology	£114.00	001863
Lloyds Bank	£7.25	Direct from account
Konica Minolta	£212.15	001864
Konica Minolta	£112.58	001865
SSE	£229.98	001866

Item 10. Correspondence

Stockton PCC request for grant: It was unanimously agreed after discussion that the Parish Council will make a one off payment of £500 dependant upon the contract agreed for the work to be carried out. The Clerk will write formally to the PCC informing them of this decision.

Item 11. Ongoing References

There were no ongoing references

Item 12. Removals and additions to Ongoing References

It was unanimously agreed to remove the reference to the Sports Field from ongoing references

Item 13. Parish Council Calendar Actions

Budget Monitoring: The budget monitoring spreadsheet having been previously circulated was approved.

Audit of cemetery and Playing field: The cemetery and playing field safety audit will be carried out as time permits.

Item 14. Training and Meetings

There were no training or meetings to record

Item 17. District Council Issues

See prior to agenda item 1

Item 18. County Council Issues

See prior to agenda item 1

	Other Issues for information only It was noted that some of the village bins are in a poor condition and the Chair will make a list with photographs and pass it to the Clerk to determine which bins belong to SDC and which belong to the PC before any decisions on who will repair /replace which bins. Hedge cutting:- a list has been reviewed and when the season permits the PC will arrange for its contractor to trim them back. The Chair will trim back the brambles at the path to the playing field. It was noted that a van is parked opposite the village hall in George Street close to the junction with Napton Road. It was noted that multiple recovery vehicles and cars from a single household are being parked in St. Michael's Crescent. Complaints have been made to Orbit but no action has been taken, the Clerk will write to Orbit asking what action they intend to take. There being no further business the Chair closed the meeting at 8.25pm.	
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