

**Minute Number 04 (20 - 21)**

**Minutes of the Virtual Monthly Meeting of Stockton Parish Council  
Held via Zoom at 7.15pm on 15th June 2020**

**Those present: -**

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

District Councillor: Cllr.L.Adam

County Councillor: Cllr.A.Crump

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**Item 1. Open Forum**

There were no items raised under open forum.

**Item 2. Apologies for Absence**

Parish Cllrs: Cllr.D.Crate

District Cllr:

County Cllr:

**Item 3. Acceptance of Apologies from Parish Councillors**

It was proposed by Cllr. Kittendorf and seconded by Cllr.Collerson that the apologies from Cllr. Crate be tendered and accepted because he could not sign into this zoom meeting – **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 18<sup>th</sup> May 2020**

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 18<sup>th</sup> May 2020**

Acceptance of apologies: Cllr.Rumsey noted that the acceptance indicates that she was not in attendance when indeed she was, the Clerk removed her name from this item.

**The Chairman brought items 16 &17 on the agenda forward to accommodate the District and County Cllrs.**

**Item 17.County Council Issues.**

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

Cllr.Crump noted that in the county domestic violence issues are on the increase by 10-15%, and will put the support telephone numbers for those affected in the parish magazine (these numbers are 0800 4081552 and 0808 20002247) and will add an article for the magazine. The County Council is working with partner organisations to bring the message of this unacceptable behaviour across.

Cllr.Crump noted that with schools being closed there is an increase in nuisance behaviour. Cllr.Collerson noted that we have had some low level anti-social behaviour in the playing field.

Cllr.Crump indicated that Stockton recycling centre remains closed, he further noted that 7 are already open with just 2 shut. There was a case of fly tipping in Welsh Road West but noted that when the centre opens this should slow the cases of fly tipping. The County Council is working is working with business to ensure that theses centres can open safely. Corona virus deaths in the south of the county are now only in hospitals and care homes (there is one care home in Warwickshire with the virus). It was noted that the highest number of infections were in the north of the county.

Cllr.Crump noted that there have been no real issues in the county with PPE although 5% was found to be not fit for purpose, sent back to the manufacturer and no real increase in costs.  
Cllr.Crump noted that the County Council is working with SMBC and Coventry City Council to help the track and trace facility.  
Cllr.Crump noted that the economy is now the next big feature for the County Council, it was noted that the economy has declined by 20 – 24%. There is now a trend for companies and individuals to move to the county away from cities.  
The County Council is working with Southam market and the Town Council to see if the market can be safely opened, and it was noted that Wellesbourne market may open next week.  
It was noted that the road from Ufton to Leamington Spa will be closed from the 22<sup>nd</sup> June until 8<sup>th</sup> July. Cllr.Crump will look at the bus service changes.  
Cllr. Warner noted that temporary timetables should be put into the bus shelters, and Cllr.Crump will investigate that.

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

#### **Item 16. District Council Issues.**

The Chairman invited District Cllr.Adam to address the meeting  
Cllr.Adam reported that the District Council is reworking itself so that day to day issues for the Council are back up to standard with residents being able to dial in.  
Cllr.Adam noted that there is a large planning backlog that will take time to get back to normal.  
Cllr.Adam noted that after discussion at all levels it looks as though farmers may be able to access funding.

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

#### **Item 7. Planning Matters:**

##### **a. New Planning applications**

20/00946/FUL, The Crown Inn Stockton: Demolition of existing dilapidated outbuildings and construction of 4no. C3 residential flats, 6 no.C1 letting rooms and commercial space to be used as A3 café and A1 hairdressers with associated facilities. After discussion it was determined to object to this application because it is materially different from what was originally proposed to the Parish Council, in that the extra flats over the café and hairdresser were overpowering in relation to adjacent properties, and there was not enough car parking spaces left after this change.

##### **b. Planning Decisions by District Council or County Council**

20/00511/ADV, Stockton House: AS freestanding entrance signage constructed of masonry and concrete – **permission granted**

#### **Item 8. Financial Matters**

It was proposed By Cllr.Emberton and seconded by Cllr.Warner that all invoices listed on the 15<sup>th</sup> June 2020 agenda appendix 1 be paid - **This motion was unanimously agreed.**

#### **Item 9. Correspondence**

There were no items for discussion

#### **Item 10. St Michael's and All Angels Church**

The parish Council heard that the church had to pay a large bill for the removal of a large branch overhanging a public footpath, and since the

Covid -19 social distancing the Church has been closed with no income and is asking for some support with this invoice. The Clerk reminded the Parish Council that the 1850's Act is still in force and WALC still hold the position that Parish and Town Councils cannot fund the Church of England land or buildings. After discussion it was proposed by Cllr.Collerson and seconded by Cllr.Rumsey that the sum of £250 be granted to the PCC – **this motion was unanimously agreed.**

**Item 11. Proposed School Fence**

The Chairman noted that that other local schools (not community centres) have wooden fences, but it appears that most schools are now looking at this 6 foot metal palisade fencing as security measures. The impact on the village scene is likely to be very detrimental and the look of the school from the village will be ruined.

It was agreed to formally write to the school setting out the Parish Council objections.

**Item 12. Ongoing References**

Village mowing: It was noted that the verge outside the houses opposite the Crown Inn has not been cut or indeed the verge outside the new homes in the square, these verges do not belong to the Parish and the Clerk will give this information to County Cllr.Crump who will pass it on to Patch Byrne for action.

Playing Field: The Clerk will ring Alex Khan of BTT&J to see how the Playing Field lease is progressing.

**Item 13. Removal and Additions to Ongoing References**

There were no removals or additions to ongoing references

**Item 14. Parish Council Calendar Actions**

Budget Monitoring: The budget monitoring spreadsheet was previously sent to all Cllrs. before the meeting and approved

Review Standing Orders: This item is put back until the next meeting

Review Financial Regulations: This item is put back until the next meeting

Audit of Parish paths: The Chairman has walked most of them and noted that some additions to the way markers need to be done. The Chairman will report at next meeting.

Review Asset Register: This item is put back until the next meeting

Review Risk Assessment Document: This item is put back until the next meeting

**Other Issues for information only**

There were no other issues for information

There being no further business the Chairman closed the meeting at 9.05pm