

Stockbridge Parish Council



MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON THURSDAY 17th OCTOBER 2024 AT 7:15PM AT THE STOCKBRIDGE TOWN HALL, STOCKBRIDGE

Present: Cllrs D Halle (Chair), M Porter, A Marshall,
H Jackson, B Powell, D Smith

Cllrs D Drew, I Jeffery

Apologies: Cllrs M Norton, A Parr, A Lawrence

Clerk: Belinda Baker

Public attendance: One

C/24/115 Apologies

Apologies were received from Cllrs Norton, Parr and Lawrence. The Clerk notified the Council that there was no request for a by-election and the vacant councillor position was being advertised. Co-option could take place at the November meeting.

Action: Clerk

C/24/116 To receive declarations of pecuniary interests (DPIs) and other significant interests from members concerning items on the agenda
None were declared

C/24/117 Public Participation
The member of the public who attended wanted to speak about Old London Rd. He agreed to wait until that part of the agenda.

C/24/118 Minutes of the Council Meeting held on 19th September 2024

- a. To approve and sign the minutes of 19th September 2024.
The minutes were agreed as a true record of the meeting and were signed by the Chair.
- b. To deal with matters arising not on the agenda
 - TVBC would be paying SPC £14326 for CIL (C/24/099)
 - NALC had launched a new website
 - HALC's AGM was being held on Saturday 19th October
 - HCC would be cleaning the gullies in the High Street 22-23rd October.
 - Cllr Porter noted that a new transformer was being installed by SSE for supply to Old London Rd area. He thanked the Clerk and Council for working with SSE to make this happen (C/23/077b).
- c. To deal with any correspondence
 - Hampshire Forest Partnership was offering free trees for planting
 - HCC was holding online meetings regarding their plans for buses.

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C/24/119 Borough and County Councillor Reports

- i Cllr Jeffery had sent a report which was circulated before the meeting. He spoke to say that Southern Water was giving out grants to support warm hubs. As Mayor he was hosting a Burn's Night supper at Crosfield hall in aid of the Air Ambulance.
- ii Cllr Drew had sent a report. He spoke to remind residents to check their flood risk. He spoke about National Inclusion week which was about promoting what young disabled people could do. He spoke about HCC's initiative with NHS to promote exercises to avoid falls. He said that HCC would soon be making a decision regarding the future services but he was able to confirm that none of the recycling centres would close. Cllr Porter thanked Cllr Drew for organising the trees by the Fire Station to be cut back (C/24/134a).

The Chair brought item 16b and item 6 up the agenda

C/24/120 Update on equipment and training grants from HCC for RoW work

The Clerk explained that she had met with HCC's Ms Davis-Cooke to discuss the equipment grant she had applied for (C/24/109b). Ms Davis-Cooke had confirmed that there was no longer any money available. Both Cllr Drew and Cllr Jeffery said they still had grant money available in their Cllr grant fund. The Clerk was asked to apply for a grant for the equipment from these funds.

Action: Clerk

C/24/121 Old London Rd

The member of the public acknowledged that the Council had voted to proceed with the proposal to install a corner into Old London Rd as the first phase of a possible installation of a one way street in Old London Rd but he maintained that speeding from the roundabout into Old London Rd was not a problem and said therefore HCC would be wasting money. He said the WG proposed that there should be traffic calming measures in the road and it should remain two way. He asked if HCC could install a speed monitoring device to verify the speed of traffic. Cllr Drew was asked to enquire of HCC if this were possible.

Action: Cllr Drew, Clerk

Cllrs Drew and Jeffery left the meeting

C/24/122 Stockbridge High Street

a. Installation of crossing between Co-op and Greengrocer

HCC had now completed the painting (C/24/101a). The Clerk was asked to write to the Co-op to ask them to use a smaller delivery vehicle as previously agreed.

Action: Clerk

b. VDS – agree new WG

This was agreed to be moved to the November meeting.

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c. HCC's LWCIP consultation – agree response.

It was agreed to respond with the condition of the pavements, the way that cars overhang the pavement and parking on the Test bridge. It was agreed that the Clerk and Cllr Halle would draw up the response.

Action: Cllr Halle, Clerk

d. Xmas Lights – Agree new Cllr member for the WG

Cllr Smith agreed to remain on the WG provided he was not expected to install any lighting or Xmas trees.

Action: Cllr Smith

C/24/123

Crime Prevention

a. Consider proposal to set up a Neighbourhood Watch group

It was agreed to move this to the November meeting.

b. Consider request to install CCTV as a crime prevention measure

A resident had written to ask the Council to consider installing CCTV cameras as a crime prevention measure near Trafalgar Way because cars there had been broken into a number of times. It was acknowledged that there would be significant installation cost, ongoing maintenance and the permission for such equipment was not straight forward. Cllr Halle asked the Clerk to put the resident in touch with the residents in Nelson Close who had organised their own CCTV.

Action: Clerk

C/24/124

Resilience

a. TVBC's Community Resilience Forum

This was being held on the Saturday 19th. Cllr Halle agreed to attend.

Action: Cllr Halle

b. Development of a Resilience Plan

The HCC Resilience Plan template had been provided by the Clerk. Cllr Powell agreed to go through the template with Cllr Norton. He agreed to approach Mr Dan Hawkins of the Fishing Club for his input and advice.

Actions: Cllrs Powell, Norton

c. Emergency Plan Toolkit

This had been provided by HCC. The Clerk was asked to publish the community notifications on the Council's website.

Action: Clerk

C/24/125

Queen Elizabeth II Memorial Garden

The Clerk confirmed that she had not heard from TVBC regarding the award of the grant but the process was ongoing and she had been asked for further information.

C/24/126

Cemetery

a. Cleaning of the Lutyens designed memorial in Winton Hill Cemetery

It was noted that permission would be required for the listed memorial to be cleaned. Blackwell and Moody would be able to provide the necessary

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method statement. Cllr Smith said he felt the memorial should not be cleaned. He said the weathered look was appropriate in the Cemetery and he was concerned that the cleaning would wear the stone. He noted that many gravestones were in the same condition. The Clerk was asked to contact Blackwell and Moody to ask their advice regarding less intensive cleaning. The appeal still stood at £100 (C/24/106).

Action: Clerk

b. Agree clearance and tree work

It was noted that a tree damaged in a storm in 2022 has overhanging a powerline and it may be necessary for it to be felled. Tree branches overhanging the cemetery needed to be pruned back to let in more light. The Clerk was asked to obtain 3 quotations.

Action: Clerk

C/24127

Lancaster House

a. Marking of boundary and hedging

Cllr Smith agreed to pick up the boundary stakes and arrange with Cllr Halle when they could be installed (C/24/107a).

Action: Cllr Smith

b. Consider setting up Trust for the site

The Clerk was awaiting a quotation from Thrings.

Action: Clerk

C/24/128

Budget 25/26

The working group was required to examine the budget for next year. Cllrs Powell, Jackson and Porter agreed to form the WG. The Clerk would arrange the meeting.

Action: Budget WG, Clerk

C/24/129

Policy Review

a. Standing Orders

The Standing Orders as amended by the Clerk were agreed.

Action: Clerk

b. Updated Financial Regulations

The new Financial Regulations Council, amended by the Clerk, to reflect the Council's processes were agreed.

Action: Clerk

C/24/130

Council Communications

a. Report from engagement surgeries at the Community Market

Cllr Powell had taken the surgery. He had been helping with IT queries. Payment for the Council's wreath had been brought up (C/24/132d).

b. Anti-Cyber crime presentation

The Clerk asked Cllrs to make themselves available to put out chairs.

Action: Clerk, All Cllrs

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c. Content for December newsletter

Appropriate content was agreed as the Resilience Pan, tree work in the cemetery and replacement kissing gate at entrance to the water meadows (C/24/131c).

Action: Clerk

C/24/131

Village Amenities to provide update

a. Lengthsman and Maintenance

No work other than on the agreed schedule was put forward.

Action: Clerk

b. Equipment and training grants from HCC

This had been dealt with under C/24/120.

Action: Clerk

c. HCC grant for new gate at the Marsh field

The Clerk explained that HCC had no available funding from Countryside Services (C/24/120). The Council unanimously agreed to fund the new gate (C/24/104b) with CIL monies.

Action: Clerk

C/24/132

Finance

a. Recent Transactions – to approve income and expenditure since last meeting

Income and payments 83-98 were circulated ahead of the meeting and were reviewed and approved. Income was from HCC for a grant, Zurich insurance (insurance claim) and HMRC for VAT repayment.

Opening bank balance		50799.52
HCC (Xmas grant)	Income	500
Zurich Ins (Insurance claim)	Income	2982
HMRC (VAT Return)	Income	2761.53
B Baker (Salary + lengthsman -tax – pension + Staff Comm)	83	687.72
Hugo Fox (website)	84	11.99
Unity Bank (service charge)	85	18
Standard Life (pension both)	86	24.26
Infinity Playgrounds (repair to the playground)	87	270
B Baker (payment to tractor driver)	88	50
Toby's gardening (High Street beds)	89	80
YMML (Clerk's Office)	90	36
STHC (Room hire)	91	21
HMRC (Clerk's tax & NI)	92	170.6
B Baker (travelling expenses)	93	44.10

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C J Candler (Xmas lights licence)	94	92
Shane Ling (Lengthsman)	95	253
GM Jacobs (newsletter delivery)	96	100
ADH Printing (newsletter printing)	97	157
HALC (training course)	98	117.60
Closing Balance (minus cheque)		54909.78

Savings Account

Opening Balance		30,000
Interest		88.15
Closing balance		30088.15

b. To approve budget year to date.

Expenditure against budget was reviewed, approved and agreed.

c. Grant from Town Hall for playground repairs

The meeting of the Trustees was due to be held later in the month.

d. RBIL wreath and donation

The cheque for the previous year's donation and payment for the wreath had been lost. The Council agreed a payment of £100 for 2024 for purchase of the wreaths and a donation, and a further £100 to pay for the wreaths and donation of 2023 making a cheque for £200 for both years.

Action: Clerk

C/24/134

Planning

a. New applications

24/02328/FULLN	Highfield House, Steepleton Hill, Stockbridge, Hampshire	Single storey rear extension, new entrance and porch, timber cladding to first floor, associated alterations, new swimming pool, detached carport and store	8/11/24
The Council had no objection			
24/02338/TREEN	Land Adjacent To Providence House , High Street, Stockbridge	T1 - Norway spruce - Prune branches overhanging garden room back to boundary and up to 3m above the roof ridge, reduce the length of the branches above this height by up 2m, leaving finished branch lengths of no less than 1.5m, and up to about 4m above the roof ridge	31/10/24
The Council had no objection			
24/02315/TREEN	Mulberry House High Street Stockbridge Hampshire SO20 6EY	T1 - Arbutus - Fell	29/10/24
The Council had no objection			

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24/02274/TREEN	2 Riverside Cottages High Street Stockbridge Hampshire SO20 6E	T1 - Apple - Formative prune by no more than 1.5m	25/10/24
The Council had no objection			
24/02257/TREEN	Kings Head House High Street Stockbridge Hampshire SO20 6EU	T1 - Alder - Reduce by 2m	23/10/24
The Council had no objection			
24/02211/TREEN	Fire Station High Street Stockbridge Hampshire SO20 6HF	T2-T4 - Tila X Europa - Prune to give 2m clearance to neighbouring roof, T5-T7 and T24 - Salix Daphnoides - Prune to give 2m clearance to neighbouring	25/10/24
The Council had no objection			
24/02156/LBWN	Waterlow High Street Stockbridge Hampshire SO20 6EU	Replacement windows and enlargement of one window opening	18/10/24
The Council had no objection			
24/2155/FULL	Waterlow High Street Stockbridge Hampshire SO20 6EU	Replacement windows and enlargement of one window opening	18/10/24
The Council had no objection			

c. To note recent decisions

Number	Address	Description	Result
24/01456/FULLN	The Red Barn Somborne Park Road Stockbridge Hampshire	Installation of package treatment plant, erection of fencing and gates, replace metal sheeting on external walls and roof, insert doors and windows, replace guttering and downpipes and hard surfacing and landscaping provisions	Permission
24/01931/TREEN	The Guardhouse 20 Trafalgar Way Stockbridge Hampshire SO20 6ET	(T1) Sugar Maple in front garden - Prune by up to 4m	No Objection
24/01845/FULLN	Green Place Little Somborne Stockbridge Hampshire SO20 6HW	Alterations and extension to existing pool house	Withdrawn
23/03063/FULLN	Penny Lane Barn Penny Lane Stockbridge Hampshire SO20 6JJ	Conversion of agricultural barn to form a single dwelling (amended scheme to 18/01196/FULLN including alterations to fenestration, materials and car port (retrospective) and change of use of land to residential garden)	Permission

d. To note decisions awaited

Number	Address	Description	Date
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24/01545/FULLN	Greyhound Inn High Street Stockbridge Hampshire SO20 6EY	Temporary canopy	19/08/24
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- e. **Enforcements**
There were none.

C/24/135 **Health and Safety**
There were none reported

C/23/136 **Items for next agenda and date of next meeting**
The next Council meeting is due to be held on 21st November 2024 at the
Town Hall. Items for the Agenda:
Budget 25/26
New kissing gate at entrance to water meadows
Resilience plan
Neighbourhood Watch
Village Design Statement

Action: Clerk

The meeting closed at 9.40pm
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Signed.....
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