

Stockbridge Parish Council

MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON
THURSDAY 16th JANUARY 2020
7.30PM AT STOCKBRIDGE TOWN HALL



Present: Cllrs A Lawrence (Chair) ,V Vere Stokes, I Bell, A Hales, F Parr, R Foord, G Boney, D Halle

Apologies: Cllr J Leslie, S Taylor
A Gibson

Clerk: Belinda Baker

Public attendance: Five

C/19/133 **Apologies**
Apologies were received from Cllr Taylor, Cllr Leslie and Cllr Gibson.

C/19/134 **To receive declarations of pecuniary interests (DPIs) and other significant interests from members concerning specific items on the agenda**
None were declared.

C/19/135 **Public Participation**
One member of the public requested that the Clerk should keep a mailing list of residents for communications. He said that such a list had been done in the past. The Clerk said she was happy to keep a list so long as each individual agreed that she could do so. Another member of the public queried the state of the central reservations in the High Street. Cllr Halle said he was due to meet with Cllrs Ward and Gibson next week to go through which Council is responsible for what in Stockbridge so he will ask whoever is responsible to do something about them. Cllr Foord queried if TVBC consider the posts structurally sound. Another member of the public brought up that the Recycling Centre which had resided at the White Hart car park. The Chair agreed to bring that item up the agenda.

Action: Cllr Halle, Clerk

C/19/136 **Village Amenities**
f. Recycling Centre
The clerk had received emails (which had been circulated before the meeting) from TVBC to say that although the White Hart had finished the building work they no longer wanted to house the recycling centre in their car park. TVBC had no suggestions of alternative sites in the village. Cllr Lawrence said it would be useful to know what TBVC's long term recycling plans were before an alternative site was sought in case there was going to be roadside glass pick up. It was agreed that this should be checked.

Action: Cllr Lawrence

C/19/137 **Minutes of the meeting held on Thursday 19th December 2019**
a. To approve and sign the minutes

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Cllr Vere Stokes queried the minutes C/19/131a. It was agreed to take out the word incompleting and to include “final and substantive vote”.

b. To deal with matters arising not on the agenda

There were no matters arising not on the agenda

c. To deal with any correspondence.

The Clerk notified the Council that she had received a complaint. She had dealt with the complaint, as per the Council’s complaint policy, by writing informally to the complainant. She had assessed the complaint against the Council’s policies and standing orders. The complainant wanted to take the complaint to the formal stage as per the complaint policy but had provided no new evidence in order to do so. The auditor had advised the clerk that since it was a planning matter the complainant should be referred to the Monitoring Authority at TVBC. The Council agreed with this approach. The Clerk said dealing with the matter had taken her over her usual hours. The Council agreed to the extra salary payment.

Action: Clerk

C/19/138

Trout N’About

A member of the public came to talk to the Council about the annual event. He said that the event held in 2019 was the 12th event held and there had been over 8,000 visitors. The event has now grown into something quite special with the same visitors making turning up year after year. The Organisers are very pleased with this development. He thanked the Parish Council for the support the event gets each year from the Council. They have recently had to recruit a new manager who will be a professional person paid for by Trout N’About to organise the stallholders. The money that Trout N’About donates back to the community comes from raffles and other fundraisers on the day. The volunteers all get to decide where the money is donated to. The member of the public admitted that the success of the event is weather dependant but so far they have only had one wet day. The Chair thanked the member of the public for coming to talk to the Council and wished the event much future success.

C/19/139

Borough and County Councillor Reports

Neither Cllr Ward not Cllr Gibson attended the meeting. Cllr Gibson provided a report that was circulated before the meeting. It was noted on the report that there was going to be a new resident permit system to deposit waste at the Hampshire Household recycling centres. Hampshire residents will need to register their vehicles to receive continued free access. Non-hampshire residents will need to pay £5. The Clerk was asked to post the information on the web site.

Action: Clerk

a. Rural Areas Action Plan

Cllr Halle and Cllr Bell volunteered to attend workshops set up by TVBC to discuss rural matters. The Clerk to book them on the workshops – Sheffield English and/or Broughton.

Action: Clerk

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- C/19/140** **Traffic Safety Working Group**
Cllr Bell said the letter the Clerk had written to HCC regarding the traffic safety matters, resolved at the last Council meeting (C/19/119), could now be sent. He said he will be writing to Cllr Gibson to ask him for a letter of support.
Action: Clerk, Cllr Bell
- C/19/141** **War Memorial**
A report had been circulated before the meeting. The report stated that the tendering exercise had only produced one tender. However, the tender had been submitted in good faith that it was a competitive bid. The report noted that the project was too small for a big supplier but too complicated for a small supplier. The company, Blackwell and Moody, that submitted a tender had dismantled the memorial when it started to lean in 2018. They are reputable company and skilled in these projects. The Council agreed to award the contract to Blackwell and Moody. The next stage of the project is to apply for a grant from the War Memorials Trust. The War Memorial Working Group will complete the application before passing to the Clerk.
Action: Cllr Foord, Clerk
- C/19/142** **Resilience Working Group**
Cllr Hales informed the Council that he now had two volunteers on his working group. He also expressed concern to the Council about the amount of surface water that seemed to be collecting on the High Street and not draining sufficiently quickly. He noted that it was best to report the problem direct to HCC on the "report it" part of their website.
- C/19/143** **Village amenities**
- a. The lengthsman update and community land**
Cllr Halle commented that he has no specific request for the lengthsman's work. The Chair brought to the Council's attention a small area of community land situated above the Cemetary. The land is the site of the now demolished Stockbridge workhouse. The Chair said he had spoken to HCC who were prepared to gift it to the Parish if there was a plan regarding its use. Cllr Foord commented that the foundations were still evident but the site could still be used. Cllr Halle suggested approaching the Scouts to see if they could use it. The Council agreed this option was worth exploring.
Action: Chair, Cllr Halle
- b. Community use of phone boxes including de-fibrillator**
Cllr Halle informed the Council that BT had made no objection to the phone boxes being unplugged. The Council resolved to take the phone boxes on at a cost of £1 each. The Council agreed to put a defibrillator in one of the phone boxes, which Cllr Halle agreed to organise. Cllr Halle brought the Council's attention that the defibrillator at the Fire Station was not in good repair. The Co-Op had gifted it to the community but this did not include maintenance. A recent emergency outing had caused damage. Cllr Halle volunteered to investigate getting it repaired.
Action: Cllr Halle

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c. Trout Pond

Cllr Halle admitted there was no resolution as to who was responsible for the repairs. He said he was due to have a walk around the High Street with Cllr Ward and Cllr Gibson to identify which Council is responsible and he will bring the issue up then.

Action: Cllr Halle

d. Stockbridge Surgery

The Clerk had emailed the Surgery to invite Dr Gibbons to present to the Council and community at the APM but had no confirmation back yet.

Action: Clerk

e. Electric Charging

Cllr Halle notified the Council regarding an electric vehicle initiative where a third party does a survey of the area to check for suitable charging points. The initial cost was £1. The Council agreed to this expenditure.

Action: Cllr Halle

g. N16 Bus

The Clerk notified the Council that she was due to attend a meeting with HCC regarding new timings of the route. Cllr Halle stressed that the N16 should link with the Andover Bus (N15) that leaves Stockbridge after the N16 arrives from Broughton and Houghton. The Clerk agreed to bring this up at the meeting.

Action: Clerk

C/19/144

Annual Policy Revision

The Chair commented that he felt that some of the Council's policies and standing orders needed to be updated. He had wanted the Clerk to look into this but as this work is outside the scope of her normal hours he asked the Council to agree payment for the extra hours. The Council agreed.

Action: Clerk

C/19/145

Budget – Planning for 2020/2021

The Clerk circulated the proposed budget prior to the meeting. There was only one change from last month's meeting which was to include ICO subscription. This was agreed by the Council. The Chair then signed the Precept request of £20,000. The Clerk was asked to forward this to TVBC.

Action: Clerk

C/19/146

Finance

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

Income and payments 88-93 were circulated ahead of the meeting, were reviewed and approved.

B Baker	88	387.08
Unity Bank	89	18
Stockbridge THTC	90	22
SSE	91	39.78

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Shane Ling	92	1554.75
YMML	93	16.80

b. To review budget year to date.

Expenditure against budget was reviewed, approved and noted.

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Planning

a. New applications – to agree responses

Number	Address	Description	Date
19/03027	Grosvenor Hotel High Street Stockbridge SO20 6EU	External works comprising new lighting and replacement fire doors onto High Street	22/01/20
The Council has no objection			
19/03028	Grosvenor Hotel High Street Stockbridge SO20 6EU	External works comprising new lighting and replacement fire doors onto High Street, along with various internal works to ground floor including removal of existing bar, new bars, new and renovated flooring and other works to walls and ceilings and reconfiguration of toilets and reception areas	22/01/20
The Council had no objection			
19/02924	The Vine High Street Stockbridge SO20 6HF	Change of use of carport to A1 retail with associated external works	17/01/19
The Council objects due to intensification of use which will increase to increased parking in the High St. Visibility is already obscured when leaving the Vine car park. The Council does not believe that the parking plan submitted is viable. Disabled access doesn't appear to be possible to the retail units.			

b. To note recent decisions

Number	Address	Description	Date
19/01619/ADVN	White Hart Inn, High St. Stockbridge	External Signage and lighting to accomodation block	Consent
19/02694/VARN	Garden House Blandford Row Stockbridge SO20 6HB	Variation of Condition 2 (Approved plans) of Planning Permission 17/00589/FULLN - (Erection of single storey extension to provide kitchen, dining room, office and wc, including demolition of concrete block shed) to substitute drawings A02, A04 & A05, with B02, B04 & BO5 to allow alterations to roof design	Permission
19/02670/TREEN	The Grosvenor Hotel, High Steer, Stockbridge	T1 Fir Tree - fell	No Objection
19/02682	The Old Police House High Street Stockbridge Hampshire SO20 6HE	T1 – Lime – Crown lift up to 2.5m over pavement and Police Station drive and to 3.1m over Copperknobs drive.	No Objection

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19/02593	Salar House Old London Road Stockbridge Hampshire SO20 6EJ	Tree Works as per schedule	No Objection
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c. To note decisions awaited

19/01843	Rosemary High Street Stockbridge Hampshire SO20 6HF	Change of use from existing depot to residential development of 5no. 2 bed dwellings with associated access, parking etc.	23 rd Aug
19/02198	The Pumphouse Cow Drove Hill Kings Somborne Hampshire	Conversion and extension of the pumphouse to provide a single room facility for a personal trainer	4 th Oct
19/02505	Land South West Of Little Dean Winton Hill Stockbridge Hampshire SO20 6HL	Demolition of three agricultural buildings and erection of a single dwelling and detached garage	29/11/19
19/02508	Land South West Of Little Dean Winton Hill Stockbridge Hampshire	Demolition of three agricultural buildings	22/11/19
19/02463	Grosvenor Hotel High Street Stockbridge SO20 6EU	Refurbishment of the second floor accommodation, and replacement of existing fire escape window	10/12/19
19/02481	Fairways High Street Stockbridge SO20 6EU	Change the use of cottage (C3) to guest accommodation for The Grosvenor Hotel (C1)	10/12/19
19/02482	Fairways High Street Stockbridge SO20 6EU	Change the use of cottage (C3) to guest accommodation for The Grosvenor Hotel (C1)	10/12/19
19/02796/FULL	Little Dean Lodge Old London Road Stockbridge Hampshire SO20 6EJ	Change of use to an independent (C3) residential unit from current status as ancillary living space (Retrospective)	20/12/19

d. Enforcement – to note any enforcement matters

There were none reported.

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Items for next agenda and date of next meeting

The next meeting would be February 20th at 7:30 at Stockbridge Town Hall.

Items for the February agenda:

War memorial

Planning Report

Traffic Parking Working Group

Action: Clerk

The meeting closed at 9.00 pm

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