Stockland Parish Council

You are summoned to the **Stockland Parish Council Turbaries Management Committee meeting on Wednesday, 7th July, 2021, Victory Hall, from 4.30 until 6pm**.

AGENDA

1) **Public Participation Time** (SO 1e & f); 15 minutes in length with each person to speak once only, for no longer than 3 minutes, or shorter, at the discretion of the chairperson.
2) **Resolve to exclude members of the press and public**. To agree any items to be dealt with after the public and press have been excluded as publicity would prejudice the public interest by reason of the confidential nature of the business to be transacted [Public Bodies(Admission to Meetings Act) 1960]**.**
3) **To record those Present/Apologies for absence** and consider whether to approve the reasons given (Cllrs only). Consider the addition of new community members to replace those gone.
4) **Declarations of Interest**: All Members to declare any interests they have in agenda items that accord with any Disclosable Pecuniary Interest (s31 & 33 of the Localism Act 2011) or Personal/Prejudicial Interests (Code of Conduct, 2012).
5) **Turbaries Management Committee Minutes**-resolved to note that the draft Minutes of the meeting held on Wednesday **10th March** were confirmed and signed by the Council on the 30th March, 2021.

6) **Action Review Summary**: to receive and review the following items:
   i. **AONB Facilitation Fund**; resolve to receive any update from the scheme.
   ii. **Higher Level and Basic Payment Schemes (HLS and BPS);** to note the HLS/BPS claims have been submitted by the Clerk and the Managing Agent; together with the new Countryside Stewardship Acceptance Form for the Woodland Management Plan (AG986346) covering all the Turbaries. It was agreed by the Council Meeting last Tuesday to consult with the Turbaries Committee on how this WMP can be put in place over its first five years, as the Managing Agents are unable to do it; note the Clerk's report on the finances showing an amount of £**16205.54** available for all work, with income of £3777.67 for this Financial Year and spending of £ 4692.65.
   iii. Information Panels; receive a Project update from the Clerk. All costs have been covered and need to consider smaller boards on each Turbary.
   iv. Horner; the Council meeting last Tuesday also agreed that views on any Trespassing Report and a Powered Bike incursion strategy be considered by the Turbaries Committee; receive any update for the new Pond site; receive any report on the, allegedly, illegal camera.
   Agree the use of 4 Ponies with electronic collars for 3 months on Horner as a trial, Horner costs last year were £3645 (scrub clearing, pond trees removed, spraying, flailing, visits, travel, feed) within a budget of £9756 receipts and payments of £11565. The Council would be responsible for Insurance and payments if any ponies broke free damaging themselves or others and is already covered. Extra costs would be incurred for moving; feed, costs of collars, signs to warn public; and as there are reservations from cllrs, agreed to bring it to the Turbaries to agree a trial?
   v. DEFRA; note the reductions in HLS/BPS and CS funding until 2024 and decide whether and how to apply for i) England Woodland Creation Offer scheme (EWCO) providing greater flexibility and recognition of the benefits woodland can provide for people and wildlife by offering additional incentives to ensure the right tree is planted in the right place for the right reason and the Council already have a WMP; ii) Farming in Protected Landscapes programme opens in July for National Parks, AONB's and the Broads to support projects that support nature recovery; mitigate the impacts of climate change; provide opportunities for people to discover, enjoy and understand the landscape and cultural heritage; support nature-friendly, sustainable farm businesses. The Council meeting also suggested that the Turbaries Committee could better debate this topic bringing back any recommendations to the Council's next meeting.
   vi. Bucehayes; to note that the Ground Stakes and Cable roll out were eventually delivered after a possible Fraud was reported by the Clerk via the Bank before they arrived late, and a transfer

back has been paid. It was agreed that work at Bucehayes Cottage Lane to the ditches and track with a quote from Andy Podbery for £925.00 requires a written copy from the contractor which the Turbaries Committee could approve and then be delegated to the Clerk.

7) **Turbaries**; resolve to; receive an update on current work completed or scheduled; agree future work plans and finance for each site;-
Bucehayes (AG00287440); Quantock (AG00287502); Horner Hill (AG00291818); Shortmoor (AG00305847); Huntshayes (BPS); Shore Bottom (BPS).

8) **Communications**; resolve to; receive updates on the Parish Council and the Stockland Village Websites and Tree and volunteering opportunities not already covered.

9) Items of Future Business for the next Agenda; November.

Ken Pearson
Clerk to the Council,
1st July, 2021