STOCKLAND PARISH COUNCIL – MINUTES OF MEETING 27TH Nov 2018

1. There no members of the public present.

2. No reports were received from the police , nor Councillors Chubb and

Key .The latter sent his apologies.

3. No items for excluding press or public.

4. Chair welcomed Cllr Amanda Thompkins . Present were Cllrs Durrant,

Maitland, Bass , Drew, Bright, Parris , Clay and Griffiths. Cllr Allen was not present.

5. There were no declarations of interest.

6. Minutes were confirmed for meetings of the Council on 30th October and the Turbary meeting of 7th November.

7. Action summary

a. Devon Air Ambulance- there was no new information. Cllr Griffiths is due to meet with Toby Russell on 28th Nov . It was proposed and agreed to invite Mr.Russell and his team to our Annual Parish Meeting in March 2019 to discuss with the community the viability of introducing a landing site on the Victory Hall field. (This was agreed at the meeting on the 28th)

b. Website –there were no updates in the absence of the clerk. Clarification is still required on the breakdown of the funding at the next meeting. Cllrs Clay and Maitland both offered to support any further input that the Clerk required.

c. Highways-

* Gates at Sandpits - request from Mr .J. Troake to replace broken gate posts and reinstate gate . Cllrs were opposed to this as the gate did not support stock control and was considered an unnecessary expense. The gate it is believed is on DCC land. (subsequent discussion with Devon PROW showed that they are keen to replace the gate at their expense).

* agreed to replace gatepost near Mount pleasant at cost of £200 as per estimate from Dave Surridge.

* agreed to pursue a Parishes Together bid with Dalwood PC for improvements to the path/lane from Ham to the Corry.

d.

* agreed to accept quote for £140 from C.Jennings re notice boards in the village

*agreed to pay grass cutting invoice for £225 re- A.Davies

e. Agreed tp pay £17 for Remembrance Day wreath from RBL

f. Turbaries-

* agreed to Clerk's report on finances and agreed to pay invoice for £300 to

A. Podbery for Quantock Pond work..

* agreed to submit Interest Forms for Higher Tier Stewardship

* agreed to accept offer from Natural England of a four year extension to three HLS agreements . It was also agreed to delay the CS Application by one year

* update on bid for supplementary funding for scrub clearance is on hold .

8. River Yarty –Axe Valley Rivers Association-

Agreed that Cllrs Maitland , Parris and Griffiths will represent the council.

Dates of meetings awaited.

9. Stockland PC Meetings Calendar was approved for 2019.

10. Agreed to renew subscription to SLCC of £106 to support work of the clerk.

11. Agreed to allow Mr. R.Pearce to have Gigaclear lay a broadband cable along the side of the Turbary track to his property .

12. Footpath Diversion Dalwood 6 / Stockland 41 .

This was unanimously objected to by cllrs. Chair will inform PROW.

13. Planning –

i. 18/2287/ful – Broadhayes Farm Stockland – construction of new livestock building at Ridge Cross.

There was unanimous opposition to this . Reasons given were

- Similarity to previous plans that were rejected by EDDC , and also on appeal.

- Concern re surface water and run offs . Also the proposals for Waste Disposal require considerably more detail .
- Neighbourhood Plan Policy NE1 .The proposal does not retain nor enhance the Natural Beauty of the Parish.
- Representations were made by several parishioners with concerns regarding some of the above points ,but also regarding the potential increase in traffic through existing narrow lanes and existing water supplies near Ridge Cross.
- Concern was also raised regarding the Veterinary Officers report which had no address or further contact point. EDDC are asked to pursue this . Furthermore councillors were unconvinced that further expansion is necessary.

ii. 18/2194 LBC and 18/2193 FUL Cuckford Farm

Councillors are mindful of the comments of the Conservation Officer and are happy to accept the final decision of EDDC.

iii. 18/2443/ful Venus Cottage –

Cllrs supported the intention of the application and expressed no concerns regarding the proposed building. The only area of concern was the removal of the existing hedge onto the highway.

c. Previous Applications

these were noted as per the agenda without comment , other than it is believed 18/2398/ful Quantock Farm has been approved .

14. Correspondence- these were all accepted . Item f agreed for Cllrs Maitland and Clay to attend the Wordpress training session.The Council agreed to meet travelling costs and for Cllr Clay to attend at a cost of £54.49 (Cllr Maitland agreed to meet the cost himself).

15. Financial statement was accepted although query was raised whether RPA Horner credit had arrived.

No items for future business .