STOCKLAND PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Meeting of Stockland Parish Council held in Stockland Victory Hall on Tuesday, 31st October, 2023 at 7.30pm.

1) **Public Participation Time** (SO 1e & f); Three members of the Public present.
2) **Reports from;** Police; EDDC/ DDC Cllrs Brown (email report to be sent out), apologies from Levine and Chubb.
3) **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]. **Items 8 below**.
4) **To record those Present and Apologies for absence;** Cllrs Switzer (chair), Bright, Derryman, Drew, Durrant, Parris, Thompkins, Trott; no apologies from Cllr Pearce.
5) **Declarations of Interest**: no interests declared for Disclosable Pecuniary Interest (s31 & 33 of the Localism Act 2011) nor Personal/ Prejudicial Interests (Code of Conduct, 2012).
6) **Council Meeting Minutes**-to confirm and sign the draft minutes of the meeting of the Council held on **Tuesday**, **26th September,** and those of the extraordinary meeting held on Tuesday, 17th October, 2023.

7) **Action Review Summary**: to receive and review the following items:
   a) **Casual vacancy;** there were no applications currently received for the one vacancy, but the pressure to fill it is slightly off the Council as no poll was claimed within the 14 days and must now be filled as quickly as possible.
   b) **Turbaries**; resolve to carry out the following work;
   i. Shortmoor (AG00305847); bracken spray but nothing more.
   ii. Huntshayes (BPS); no work until winter; Shorebottom (BPS); volunteers to brush-cut Balsam;
   iii. Woodland Management (AG986346) Cllr Derryman discuss with the Managing Agent to see what's required (see sheet attached).
   iv. Receive invoices for work carried out by RSPB in moving the Ponies, and paying for Pony feed (£127.02, and £19)
   c) **Highways/Ditches and Footpaths**; resolve to agree any updating reports for;
      i. Highways, Footways and Drainage; any pot holes reported; agreed Cllr Bright to handle issues over grit bins being replaced.
      ii. Footpath Warden; we still do not have a Cllr to work with the Managing Agent or PROW; agree to advertise it wider across the Community rather than to a Cllr.
   e) **Play Area, Car Park and Victory Hall**; resolve to receive any reports on these asset areas.
   f) **Stockland Charities**; no meetings held.

8) **Gallagher (Hiscock's Insurance);** Update information received in handling a complaint sent in to the Council; agreed to process the information received, with the Clerk also updating the complainant.

9) **Blackdown Hills Parish Network AGM;** at Culmstock VH on Thursday November 9th at 7.30 pm agreed Cllr Switzer to attend.

10) **Planning**- to consider and review any issues arising. (for Applications please go to EDDC web)
   a) .**applications received: to consider and respond**;

i. 23/2031/FUL - Castlewell Stockland Devon EX14 9DB; Demolition of existing building. Replacement dwelling and associated works; Neighbourhood Plan requires the track to be reinstated being owned as part of the Council's Turbary.

b) **To review applications previously considered or approved**;

i) 23/1524/CPE; Red Cottage Heathstock Stockland EX14 9EU; Lawful development for an existing change of use from agricultural land to vehicle access and garden*; awaiting decision*

ii) 23/1683/PVJ - Bright Farming The Grain Store Ridge Honiton; Installation of 210 solar photovoltaic (PV) on the north-west and south-east roof; *Prior Approval not required.*

iii) 23/1530/Ful and LBC; Cummins Farm Stockland Honiton EX14 9EZ; Undertake repairs to the interior and exterior of building, including windows, walls, ceilings and floorboards*;* construction of detached plant building, and air source heat pump to be installed; *awaiting decision*

iv) 23/1495/CPE - Wadsbury Cottage Stockland EX14 9EX; Certificate for lawful development existing use of Wadsbury Farm Cottage as a holiday let; *awaiting decision*

c) **applications withdrawn/appealed: to decide how to respond**:

i) 23/0064/FUL - The Bungalow Shorebottom Stockland Devon; Two storey side extension; Non-determination appeal lodged.

11) **Correspondence**: to consider items received (copies emailed to all Cllrs where appropriate)

12) **Finances** to review and agree items of payments and receipts

Balances at Bank (at 30/9/23):			£45462.70
Treasurers Account			
Payments (as at 25/10/23)			
i)	Staff costs Oct		623.60
ii)	VH		143.25
iii)	Mole Avon feed		19.00
		TOTAL	785.85
Receipts (as at 20/7/23)			
i)	PKF Audit refund		. 180.00
		Movement of funds	
		BALANCE TOTAL	.44,856.85

13) **Items of Future Business** for the next Agenda; cheque from Fair Cttee handed to Cllr Switzer for Basketball to be given to the Clerk.

14) **Confidential Items**: In view of the confidential nature of the business about to be transacted, it is likely that the press and public will be excluded during consideration of issues agreed under item 3 of the Agenda

Signed…….Chair Date 28/11/2023 Meeting closed at 9.30pm.