STOCKLAND PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Finance and Staff Committee Meeting, held at Stockland Village Hall on Tuesday 4th April at 6.30pm, 2023.

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. Cllr Switzer addressed the meeting on the intended changes he would make in the Turbaries Committee.
2) **Resolved to exclude members of the press and public**. Agreed[Public Bodies(Admission to Meetings Act) 1960] **Item 6a) Staff Appraisal report; Item 7 Contractors Fees**
3) **To record those present;** Cllrs Morgan (Chair), Durrant, Parris and Pearse.
4) **Declarations of Interest**: No interests declared.
5) **Finance & Staff Minutes**-to note that the draft minutes of the meeting of **Tuesday** the **10th January** were confirmed and signed at the council meeting on the 17th January.

6) **Action Review Summary**-
a) Clerk's Objectives Appraisal- resolved to; receive the report of the objectives set out for the year agreed by Cllrs Morgan, A Thompkins and the Clerk to agree objectives for the 2023/24 Appraisal, the Clerk to send on the completed documents.

7) **Contractors Fees**; resolved and agreed as a Confidential item that the Fees schedule and Terms of Business from the current Managing Agent would be trialed for a year to deal with the amount of Turbary work now coming in, the changes happening within the schemes, together with Natural England now partnering up with allocated land managers, to see if this can improve the advice and guidance the Council now requires. The Clerk hours would remain at 8 hours per week for this period. At the end of the year the Council would look for three quotes to find the next Managing Agent to also include the current one.

8) **Items of Future Business** for the next Agenda; The Clerk raised the issue of how he was treated at the meeting of the Council in March by Cllrs and he would be moving it forward to a Hearing in due course.

9) 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 2 of the Agenda. Items 6a) and 7).

Signed ……25th April, 2023

Chair **Meeting closed at 7.30pm**