STOCKLAND PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held in the Committee Room, Stockland Victory Hall on Tuesday, 30th April at 7.30pm, 2019.

1) **Public Participation Time** (SO 1e & f); An Applicant for Planning Permission was allowed to speak during the discussion of item 12) b) i).
2) **Reports from;** Police; EDDC/ DDC Cllrs D Key and I Chubb (all emailed if received).
3) **Resolve to exclude members of the press and public**. There were three items to discuss and agreed that 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]. **Item 7e) point 2,** Turbary quote under LGA '72, s100 'Contract'; **8** Clerk's Incremental increase**; item 9** Clerk's TOIL; both under 'Terms of Service'.
4) **To record those Present and Apologies for absence;** Cllrs Griffiths (Chairman), Allen, Bass, Drew, Durrant, Parris and Thompkins; Cllr Key and the Clerk, K Pearson, were in attendance; Apologies from Cllrs Bright, Clay and Maitland; Cllr Griffiths thanked the retirees and those continuing after the election for their dedication to service over the last four years.
5) **Declarations of Interest**: No Members' interests were declared.
6) **Council Meeting Minutes**-the draft minutes of the meeting of the Council on the 26th March and the Finance & Staff Committee of the 9th April were confirmed and signed subject to amending the spelling of the Hunt to 'Cotley'.

7) **Action Review Summary**: to receive and review the following items:
   a) **Devon Air Ambulance Landing sites**; resolved to receive the update report from Cllr Griffiths following discussion at the Annual Parish Meeting on Wednesday 20th March, who had approached the Stockland Fair for a possible contribution to be distributed after it had taken place and the amount of money was known.
   b) **Website;** resolved to receive an update on the Transparency Fund budget; 1st April opening balance £732.16 of which £550.30 now spent leaving £181.86 (total for staffing is currently £508.28 spent, leaving an overspend of -£14.76); and agreed to pay the invoice of £474.46 for Website package and Hosting.
   c) **Highways/Ditches and Footpaths**; resolved to agree any updating reports for;
      - Pot holes on roads already reported noting the delays in getting them completed, with Higher Corry now done.
      - May Bank Holiday Monday, Off-road event and environmental consequences in the Corry Brook, both EDDC & Environment Agency were contacted and unless more than mud entered the river ie oil then it was not an issue.
   d) **Play Area, Car Park and Victory Hall**; resolved to receive updates on:
      - A report from Cllrs Drew and Durrant on the increasing number of Pot holes in the car park; agreed to a quote to fill the potholes only.
      - repairs to, some, of the Play equipment was completed and to pay the invoice for £780 to MNR Ltd, with a further quote requested to repair the 'springer'.
      - EDDC dog bin collection now only once per week at annual cost of £87.50 (ex VAT) per bin.
   e) **Turbaries**; resolved to;
      - receive the Clerk's report on the finances showing an amount of £10025.03 available; with the following summer work to complete, Grazing the N enclosure on Bucehayes with a possible contribution to work on track; Grazing (Brimpit enclosure). Cattle are normally used from P Lane but they're currently affected by TB and 15 ponies from RSPB are to be used on 5 Turbary areas(Bucehayes North and South, Shore Bottom, Quantock kennels enclosure and Quantock, large enclosure), which may mean a loss of grant; it also means overseeing the health of the ponies by 'lookering', with at least two visits per week from RSPB (£800); agreed to see if volunteers could informally cover these extra two days per week;

stocking of Grass Carp in Quantock Pond provided by Geoff Pearce at a quote of £55.

- agreed one days contract work by MS Treecare to remove fallen spruce on Horner for £250 be treated as a **confidential item** and agreed the recommendation that the Finance and Staffing Committee considers this issue at their July meeting, bringing any amendments of the Financial Regulations to the July Council meeting.
- received a Draft Policy 'Hunting across Turbaries' as discussed at the Turbaries Management Committee and the last Council meeting. Agreed the Policy as set out in **App 1**.
- Receive an update on the Woodland Management Plan being produced by Roland Stonex from FWAG SW to be completed by 31st Dec '19 and delivered by a grant of £1000 which covers the costs.
- Received updates on the BPS, HLS and extension claims for this year.

8) **Incremental Pay Increase**; resolve to award an incremental increase based on the Objectives Appraisal of Jan 2019. This will be the final incremental SCP of the scale able to be awarded.
9) **Item 9 Clerk's TOIL;** to note the Finance and Staff Committee resolution of the 9th April and consider this as **confidential**.

10) **Election of Co-opted Cllrs;** resolved to advertise the two current vacancies with the eligibility criteria and application form.

11) **2nd Mtg, EA/ROFA/AVRA Ecology and Water Quality Monitoring Forum, 14 March 2019**; resolved that as Cllr Maitland was not present to discuss the item when he returns.

12) **Planning**- to consider and review any issues arising. (for Applications please go to EDDC web)
a) East Devon Draft Affordable Housing SPD consultation until 10th May.
b) applications received: to consider and respond;
i) 19/0611/FUL and amendments, 5 Battens Stockland Honiton EX14 9DS; Construction of single storey extension to provide en-suite bathroom, workshop/store and replacement carport. Was supported
ii) 19/0786/CPE - Corry View, Dalwood;
Use of the property known as Corry View as a dwelling without compliance with an agricultural occupancy condition.
Agreed that the Agricultural Occupancy Condition should stand.
c) To review applications previously considered or approved;
i) 18/2400/FUL Broadhayes Farm, Stockland, Honiton, EX14 9EL; proposed new agricultural workers dwelling; amendments to Additional functional justification information and sections through the proposed development; *awaiting decision.*
ii) 18/2396/FUL - Land At Harrison Farm Dalwood Axminster EX13 7HW; Retention of track and bridge over stream; *approved*.
iii) 18/1896/LBC - Lower Rodway Farm Stockland Honiton EX14 9DN; Re-roof main farmhouse with natural slate; replace 6no. Crittall windows with wooden double glazed units on front (east) elevation; replace 2no. Crittall with wooden double glazed windows on side (south) elevation; replace 2no. Crittall windows with wooden double glazed units on rear (west) elevation and replace guttering and downpipes on main roof; *awaiting decision*.
iv) 19/0528/LBC - Cuckford Farm Stockland Honiton EX14 9EY; Replace 3no. windows on east elevation with 3 pairs of timber shutter doors and replace existing single door on north elevation with 1 pair of timber doors; *awaiting decision.*

v) 19/0244/FUL - Broadview Court Place Farm Wilmington Honiton; Demolition of existing and construction of replacement dwelling; comments received from Agent; *awaiting decision*.
vi) 19/0236/FUL - Higher Seavington Millhayes Stockland Honiton; erection of a rural business unit (B1& B8) and adjoining private recreational stable; *awaiting decision*.
vii) 18/2287/FUL, Broadhayes Farm, Stockland, Honiton, EX14 9EL, Construction of agricultural livestock building (weaner unit); *awaiting decision*.

d) applications withdrawn/appealed: to decide how to respond:
i) None.

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

a) BHPN; nominations requested from Cllrs to go to the Annual Meeting of the Network on June 26th Clayhidon VH; to the next meeting
b) DALC; subscription of £154.92 due;
c) Devon Communities Together; eNewsletter;
d) EDDC; Council & Cabinet Agenda; Development Management Committee; The Knowledge; Residents Magazine;
e) ICO; e-news from the Information Commissioner's Office;
f) NHS; Devon CCG newsletters; Healthy People monthly briefing; HealthWatch eNews
g) Police & Neighbourhood Watch Alerts.
h) Rural Services Network, newsletters on Housing, Transport and Broadband
i) Victory Hall; invoice 726 for £48

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

Balances at Bank (at 31/3/19):		£18306.07
Treasurers Account		
Payments (as at 30/4/19)		
i) Staff costs Apr		949.29
ii) Website package and Hosting		474.46
ii) MNR Play area repairs		780.00
iii) MS Treecare 1 day for tree clearance		250.00
iv) VH 726		48.00
viii) DALC subs		154.92
ix)		
	TOTAL	2656.67
Receipts (as at 30/4/19)		
i) DCC PROW grant		1000.00
ii) EDDC Precept		4787.50
	Movement of Funds	3130.83
	BALANCE TOTAL	21436.90

15) **Items of Future Business** for the next Agenda; website; end of year accounts; potholes, fly-tipping in 7m straight, BHPN Cllr rep for AGM

16) **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.

7e) bullet point 2
8; Clerk's Incremental increase
9 Clerk's TOIL;

End 9pm

Signed ……Chairman Date 21st May, 2019

App 1
STOCKLAND PARISH COUNCIL
TURBARIES AND TRAIL HUNTING

The following is designed as a discussion document for finalising a policy with regard to Trail Hunting on Stockland Turbary lands. Over the winter of 2018-19 Horner Hill has been visited on a number of occasions by the Cotley Hunt with some concerns by residents . As a result representatives of Cotley Hunt attended a Parish Council meeting on March 26th 2019 when the concerns of the Parish Council were expressed. It was agreed at that meeting that a policy would be in use ready for the autumn of 2019.
Suggested Policy

1. Trail Hunting on Stockland Turbaries can only take place with the agreement of Stockland Parish Council as the registered owners of the Stockland Turbaries.

2. That the only turbary where this could take place to be Horner Hill Turbary.

3. That all such trail hunts should be agreed in advance and with prior notice of exact dates and times. These dates to be published in advance via parish websites etc.

4. That all Risk assessments should be completed by the Cotley Hunt in advance to ensure the safety of all users of the Turbary.

5. There should be no vehicles used on the turbary by the Cotley Hunt at any time , and the Hunt should only use the existing footpath and bridlepath.

6. All members of the hunt and their supporters should agree to this.

7. All hunt activities should respect the natural environment of Horner Hill.

8. This policy and agreement to be reviewed in April 2020.

Richard Griffiths Chair Stockland PC April 2019