

STOCKLAND PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Meeting of Stockland Parish Council held in Victory Hall on Tuesday, 25th October 2022 at 7.30pm.

- 1) **Public Participation Time** (SO 1e & f); No issues were raised.
- 2) **Reports from;** Police; EDDC/ DDC Cllrs C Brown, D Key and I Chubb (all emailed if received).
- 3) **Resolve to exclude members of the press and public.** No issues were raised. [Public Bodies(Admission to Meetings Act) 1960].
- 4) **To record those Present and Apologies for absence;** Cllrs Morgan (Chair), Bright, Derryman, Drew, Durrant, Parris, Switzer, A Thompkins and T Thompkins; Cllrs, Brown, Key and the Clerk, K Pearson, were in attendance; no apologies received from Cllr Pearse.
- 5) **Declarations of Interest:** 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).
- 6) **Council Meeting Minutes-** the draft minutes of the meeting of the Council held on Tuesday 27th September and the meeting of the Finance & Staff Committee on Friday 14th October, 2022 were confirmed and signed.
- 7) **Action Review Summary:** received and reviewed the following items:
 - a) **Turbaries;** resolved to;
 - i. Information Panels on Victory Hall; received an update from the Clerk on progress.
 - ii. Horner; received a report for the Working Group of Cllrs Review for the Trail Hunting Policy on Horner and were awaiting a Hunt Risk Assessment from Cotley and a response back from the Council's Insurance Company; agreed to submit an Application to the Blackdown Hills Countryside Grant (email sent to all cllrs on Wed 19th Oct) to erect two Ladder Sign Boards on Horner Hill at a cost of £2313.44 (VAT to be reclaimed £1130.69), subject to Grant received.
 - iii. Farming in Protected Landscapes Application; resolved to bring forward a process for completing applications for grants, taking into account the Council's Financial Regulations, Standing Orders, timescales and approvals needed, for three areas of Turbary, Horner Hill (scrub work to improve the open heath); Quantock and Shortmoor (lowland heathland and native breeds at risk) to overcome a failed Higher Tier agreement for 17 months, providing continuity of management. Costs are £3643.54 in 2022/23 and £3992.49 in 2023/24, a total of £7636.03.
 - iv. Stockland Village Web; to receive and agree a quote for updating the Turbaries information on it and to improve its Search ratings, ready for the addition of the Information Boards link; agreed to accept and pay the Invoice cost of £400.
 - v. Pony supplies and Mat; agreed to approve payment of £43.25 for feed and a Rubber mat for ironing out pitted and muddy ground (MoleAvon, by Card).
 - b) **Highways/Ditches and Footpaths;** resolved to agree any updating reports for;
 - i. Highways, Footways and Drainage; any pot holes reported; agreed to see if Cotleigh Parish have any responses back to their proposed meeting with the County Council.
 - ii. Footpaths; received a report back from Cllr A Thompkins and the Clerk who attended the annual Parish Paths Partnership Autumn Workshop on 6th October.
 - c) **Play Area, Car Park and Victory Hall;** resolved to receive reports on;
 - i. **Play Equipment Project;** the final agreed Invoice of approx £12k has been received agreed to pay.
 - ii. **Victory Hall;** Invoice No899 for £22.00 was agreed to be paid.
 - iii. **Car Park;** agree to fund the provision of a Basketball Ring at a cost of £500 from Cllr Chubb's Locality Budget and a table tennis kit to be placed in the Car Park area with funds provided from a local charity.

- 8) **Rialtas Accounts Software**; sold to Harris Computer Corporation and is a subsidiary of Constellation Software, Inc. which is the 2nd largest software company in Canada; noted that there may well be increases in costs as a result of this for the Council.
- 9) **Trip Community Transport**; agreed a meeting to firm up plans with the Trip Organisation and local community groups to enable services to be developed for Stockland and surrounding parishes; agreed setting up a meeting with other parishes, the Blackdown Hills Parish Network and the AONB to explore options for supporting sustainable transport needs, across the AONB.
- 10) **Planning-** to consider and review any issues arising. (for Applications please go to EDDC web)
- a) **.applications received: to consider and respond;**
- i) EDDC Policy: resolved to agree the Community Asset Transfer (CAT) Procedure and agree to collect and to return any evidence; Community asset transfer is the granting of long leases or passing on the freehold of (non-housing service) Council owned land or buildings to voluntary, community organisations, Parish Councils, Town Councils and social enterprises (Community Groups) to be used for community purposes.
- ii) East Devon Local Plan Policy (email 7th Oct to all from A King); resolved to accept the Updated Working Draft and to agree any members comments from those who attended the Webinar on the 20th Oct; together with the East Devon Local Housing Needs Assessment for the district, which is put forward as an intended key piece of the evidence for the new Local Plan.
- iii) 22/1592/FUL; Newlands Dalwood EX13 7HQ; Erection of ground mounted solar array; support.
- b) **To review applications previously considered or approved;**
- i) 22/2004/FUL: Broadhayes Farm Stockland EX14 9EL; Construction of replacement agricultural storage shed; *awaiting decision*.
- ii) 22/2059/FUL; Oaklea Ham Axminster EX13 7HL; Erection of a garden studio and demolition of old shed and adjacent store.
- iii) 22/1663/FUL; Thorn Cottage Ridge Stockland Devon EX14 9EN; Installation of a 2,500L bunded oil tank and external oil boiler; *Agreed*
- iv) 22/1219/FUL - Higher Seavington Farm Stockland EX14 9DE; Erection of a triple garage with office above; *awaiting decision*.
- v) 22/0764/VAR (21/1155/FUL); Horners, Shorebottom Stockland Honiton; Replacement of existing extension with two storey front/side/rear extension and porch, reroofing cottage, balcony, replacement doors and windows and addition of rooflights. *Awaiting decision*
- vi) 20/2527/TCA; Maryton Stockland Honiton EX14 9BS; T3 : To reduce in height to approximately 5 ft. above ground level; *awaiting decision*.
- vii) 21/2420/AGR - Broadhayes Farm Stockland Honiton EX14 9EL; Storage shed for straw / hay, the PC had an inquorate meeting and so made no decision; *Awaiting decision*.
- c) **applications withdrawn/appealed: to decide how to respond:**
- None
- 11) **Correspondence:** to consider items received (copies emailed to all Cllrs where appropriate)
- a) .

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

Balances at Bank (at 31/09/22):	£52140.29
Treasurers Account	
Payments (as at 20/10/22)	
i) Staff costs Oct	686.71

ii)	VH 899	22.00
iii)	RSPB	594.00
iv)	Pony cubes and rubber Mat	43.25
	TOTAL	1345.96

Receipts (as at 20/10/22)

i)	RSPB refund double billed cost of Pony transport	1327.80
	Movement of Funds	(18.16)
	BALANCE TOTAL	52122.13

13) **Items of Future Business** for the next Agenda.

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.

SignedChairman
Meeting closed at 9.30pm.

Date 29.11.2022