

# Stockbridge Parish Council



MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON  
THURSDAY 20<sup>th</sup> APRIL 2023 AT 7:30PM  
AT THE TOWN HALL, STOCKBRIDGE HIGH STREET  
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**Present:** Cllrs J Leslie (Chair), R Foord, M Porter,  
D Halle, H Jackson, F Parr

**Apologies:** Cllrs A Lawrence, G Boney, D Drew

**Clerk:** Belinda Baker

**Public attendance:** One

**C/23/001** **Apologies**  
Cllrs Lawrence and Boney sent their apologies.

**C/23/002** **To receive declarations of pecuniary interests (DPIs) and other significant interests from members concerning items on the agenda**  
Cllr Foord declared an interest in planning item 23/00940.

**C/23/003** **Public Participation**  
The member of the public updated the Council on the handover of Test Valley School to the HISP Academy Trust. He explained that the existing Board of Governors was due to step down as part of the process of Academisation. He said the school continued to strengthen the leadership team and to respond positively to the difficult OFSTED report (C/22/180). He had been talking to Cllr Powell about developing links between the Football Club and TVS.

**C/23/004** **Minutes of the Council Meeting held on Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> March 2023**

**a. To approve and sign the minutes of 16<sup>th</sup> February.**

These were agreed as a true record of the meeting.

**b. To deal with matters arising not on the agenda**

- The Clerk asked that the notices of Co-Option should be displayed in order for the Council to co-opt new Cllrs as soon as possible. This was agreed.
- The Clerk warned that 123 Reg would soon be migrating the Council's email hosting to a more up to date platform.
- The Council agreed a vote of thanks to all the outgoing Cllrs – Cllrs Lawrence, Bell, Boney and Leslie.

**c. To deal with any correspondence**

The Clerk asked for a suitable situation for the Queen's Platinum Jubilee Cherry trees. The option of Lily's path had been explored. Cllr Halle would approach the Recreation Ground Trust.

**C/23/005** **County and Borough Councillor Reports**

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Cllr Johnston had circulated a report before the meeting. Cllrs asked that the electric sweepers could visit Stockbridge.

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- ii The Council commented on HCC's consultation on new cycling and walking routes through Test Valley. Cllr Halle asked that the Test Valley Way route could be extended down through Trafalgar Way.

**Action: Clerk**

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**C/23/006 Town Hall Bookings**

The Clerk noted to the Council that there were long standing discrepancies, to the advantage of the Town Hall, in the booking arrangements for the Parish Council meetings. The invoices did not make the booking clear. The Clerk confirmed that the timings had now been adjusted.

**C/23/007 Stopwatch Crime Prevention What's App group for traders**

The Clerk had been contacted by Sgt Boughay, the boss of the Stockbridge's community PCSO to say that the Police view was that the crime level in Stockbridge did not warrant the involvement of a PCSO on the What's App group. Cllr Jackson said she felt that setting up a group that encompassed all the businesses (including pubs) in Stockbridge held merit. Cllr Foord agreed to approach the SBA to widen their security What's App group to all traders on the High Street.

**Action: Cllr Foord**

**C/23/008 Infrastructure Issues**

**a. Phone Boxes**

Cllr Halle had installed the new door. He agreed to arrange for the phone boxes to be painted.

**Action: Cllr Halle**

**b. Trout Pond**

The licence for had now been issued by the EA and work had started and was due to finish that week. The Clerk had asked for the donations to be forwarded to the Council's bank account. The donors had been thanked. The Clerk had put photos and a description of the project on the website. The financial arrangements for the project were agreed.

**Action: Clerk**

**c. Pocket Park/Land Behind the toilets**

There was no progress. The Council agreed to refer to the area as Blandford Row Pocket Park.

**d. Cycle Path**

The Clerk confirmed she had asked for a grant for the work from HCC.

**Action: Clerk**

**e. Progress on the Lantern Arch**

This was now installed. The financial arrangements for the project were agreed by the Council. The Clerk noted that £586 was remaining from the donations. It was agreed this could be used for electrical installation and maintenance. The Clerk was asked to contact the Church.

**Action: Clerk**

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**f. Defibrillator**

Cllr Halle agreed to check if the electrical feed into the phone box was still functional.

**Action: Cllr Halle**

**C/23/009**

**High Street**

**a. Crossing between Co-Op and Greengrocer**

The Clerk confirmed that she had contacted HCC's minor works for the installation of an extended pavement crossing.

**Action: Clerk**

**C/23/010**

**Traffic Safety Old London Rd Project**

The Clerk confirmed that the quotation had not yet been received from HCC. She agreed to chase and to contact Cllr Drew.

**Action: Clerk**

**C/23/011**

**Recreation Ground Trust WG**

The Clerk noted to the Council that clear and robust Terms of Reference would be required for the WG to carry out its objectives properly (C/22/188). Cllr Halle said that this was an opportunity to improve relations between the community, the Recreation Ground and Football Club. He said it was important to plan for when interest from the football club waned but the community would need to support any decision. Cllr Foord agreed that there needed to be a robust decision process to support the final outcome. The Clerk was asked to draw up a draft Terms of Reference to be discussed at the next meeting. It was agreed that members for the WG would be sought from the wider community.

**Action: Clerk**

**C/23/012**

**Council Communications**

**a. Items for the June newsletter**

The next edition of the newsletter was due in June. Items for inclusion were agreed as; new councillors, Recreation Ground WG; Trout Pond; Lantern Arch; Trout n'About; speed awareness volunteers.

**Action: Clerk**

**C/23/013**

**Village Amenities to provide update**

**a. Lengthsman tasks and Maintenance**

Cllr Foord asked if the hedge further up from the primary school could be cut back.

**Action: Cllr Halle, Clerk**

**b. Lancaster House**

The Council's solicitors had noted that agreement with HCC was within reach. Cllrs Halle and Foord agreed to walk through and survey the Ash trees and assess if any needed to be removed.

**Action: Clerk, Cllr Halle, Cllr Foord**

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**c. SID/SLR**

Cllr Halle said that he wanted to start up a new speed awareness group. It was queried if the present SID could download speed data. He said he felt that a new SLR would be appropriate.

**Action: Cllr Halle**

**d. OLR Electricity supply**

The letter the Clerk had written to SSE (C/22/179), copied to Ms C Noakes MP, had been circulated before the meeting. Cllr Porter commented that he had spoken to an SSE employee who had told him to forward the letter to the complaints department. The Clerk was asked to do so.

**Action: Clerk**

**e. Coronation Events**

It was confirmed that TVBC had awarded £500 for the community coronation event (C/22/190d). The Council agreed to fund the expenditure prior to the grant being received from TVBC. Cllr Foord agreed to install the Union Jack flags along the High Street.

**Action: Cllr Foord, Clerk**

**C/23/014**

**Finance**

**a. Recent Transactions – to approve income and expenditure since last meeting**

Income and payments 149 -157 and 1-7 were circulated ahead of the meeting and were reviewed and approved. Cllrs noted income and expenditure against bank statements. Income was for the cemetery, the Lantern fund, the precept and the Trout pond project. Cllr Porter agreed to become a signatory on the bank account.

Opening bank balance		79248.8
Lockerley Stone (cemetery)	Income	80
Grosvenor Hotel (Trout pond)	Income	100
R Steele (cemetery)	Income	220
Orvis (Trout pond)	Income	235
TVBC	Income	11482.5
HCC (Trout Pond)	Income	5000
R Steele (cemetery)	Income	220
Lantern Fund	Income	100
HCC (Lengthsman)	Income	18700
Standard Life (Clerk's pension)	149	21.15
B Baker (travel expenses)	150	40
OVO (Milsom light)	151	21.37
HCC (OLR Feasibility study)	153	12600
ADH Printing (Newsletter)	154	150
YMML ( Clerk's office )	155	30

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B Baker (salary Lengthsman – pension )	144	770.98
Unity Bank (service charge)	157	18
Philip Grobb (Lantern Arch)	01	5316
Chantel Storey (coronation party)	02	184.85
Ovo Energy	03	15.94
Robert Nicholas (Trout pond)	04	642
YMML (Clerk’s Office)	05	36
Shane Ling (lengthsman March – M&T)	06	35
Shane Ling (Cemetery)	07	1040
Closing Balance		94245.01

- b. To review final budget 2022/2023.**  
Expenditure against budget was reviewed, approved and agreed.
- c. To review budget 2022/2023 year to date.**  
Expenditure against budget was reviewed, approved and noted.
- d. Approve 2022/2023 Accounts**  
The Accounts were agreed. There were no questions.

**C/23/015      Planning**

**a. New applications – to agree responses**

Number	Address	Description	Date
23/00940/FULLN	Woodcott Winton Hill Stockbridge Hampshire SO20 6HL	Single storey rear extension, 2 storey front and side extensions, creation of pool and pool house, modifications to drive and boundary wall/fence, alterations to roof, cladding throughout and associated landscaping works	12/05/23

The Council had no comment to make

**b. To note recent decisions:**

Number	Address	Description	Date
23/00543/TREEN	1 The Milsons Stockbridge Hampshire SO20 6JA	T2 - Ash - Crown reduction by up to 2.5m	31/03/23
23/00394/CLPN	7 The Milsons Stockbridge Hampshire SO20 6JA	Application for lawful development certificate for proposed single storey rear extension	Issue certificate
22/03326/FULLN	Penny Lane Farm Penny Lane Stockbridge Hampshire SO20 6JJ	Two new and two enlarged dormers, along with new infill door and side windows on rear porch	Permission

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23/00320/TREEN	Land South West Of Little Dean Winton Hill Stockbridge Hampshire	G1 - x7 Hawthornes - Fell	No objection
23/00311/TREEN	Seven Gables Winton Hill Stockbridge Hampshire SO20 6HL	T1 - Sycamore - Re-pollard to previous cuts and cut back overhanging branch over garden, T2 - Ash - Re-pollard to previous cuts	No Objection
22/03284/FULLN	Stockbridge House High Street Stockbridge Hampshire SO20 6EX	Retrospective replacement of outbuildings with outbuilding to provide storage for garden machinery and potting shed	Refuse
22/03207/FULLN	Greyhound Inn High Street Stockbridge Hampshire SO20 6EY	Change of use from storage to office	Permission subject to conditions

**c. To note decisions awaited**

Number	Address	Description	Date
23/00564/LBWN	Stockbridge House High Street Stockbridge Hampshire SO20 6EX	New signage and retractable shop front awnings on the existing building	31/03/23
23/00563/FULLN	Stockbridge House High Street Stockbridge Hampshire SO20 6EX	New signage and retractable shop front awnings on the existing building	31/03/23
23/00616/ADVN	Stockbridge House High Street Stockbridge Hampshire SO20 6EX	Display of 1 externally illuminated hanging sign and 1 non-illuminated fascia sign	31/03/21
23/00597/FULLN	Penny Lane Farm Penny Lane Stockbridge Hampshire SO20 6JJ	Extension to create garage and additional accommodation	31/03/23
23/00641/TREEN	Little Dean Lodge Old London Road Stockbridge Hampshire SO20 6EJ	T1 and T2 - Ash - Fell, T3 - Fir - Fell, T4 - Ash - Fell, T5 - Sycamore - Coppice	28/03/23
22/03284/FULLN	Stockbridge House High Street Stockbridge Hampshire SO20 6EX	Retrospective replacement of outbuildings with outbuilding to provide storage for garden machinery and potting shed	24/02/23
22/02629/FULLN	Gaynors High Street Stockbridge Hampshire SO20 6HF	Change of use from retail to dwelling (retrospective)	18/11/22
21/02064/FULLN	Greyhound On The Test High Street Stockbridge Hampshire SO20 6EY	Demolition and replacement of existing fishing hut (re-submission of 18/01444/FULLN)	24/08/21

**d. Enforcement – to note any enforcement matters**

Enforcement had been contacted in regard to application 22/0384 which was a retrospective application and 22/00363 which had been referred to

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the Secretary State and refused. TVBC enforcement were aware of the cases.

**C/23/016**      **Health and Safety**  
There were none.

**C/23/017**      **Items for next agenda and date of next meeting**  
The next meeting is Annual Council meeting and is due to be the to be held 18<sup>th</sup> May 2023. Items for the agenda:  
Vote for Chair of Council  
TVS Head of School to present to Council  
Recreation Ground WG  
Coronation  
Newsletter

**Action: Clerk**

**C/23/018**      The Chair thanked the Clerk for all her hard work.

The meeting closed at 9:10pm.

Signed.....

Date.....