

STOCKTON-ON-THE-FOREST PARISH COUNCIL

**MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD IN THE VILLAGE HALL
ON WEDNESDAY 27 NOVEMBER 2019 AT 7.30PM**

Councillors Present: John Coldwell (JC) David Crossley (DC)
Rosie Dunn (RDF) Ken Sawyers (KS)
Roger Wood (RW)

In Attendance: City of York Ward Cllrs Paul Doughty (PD) and Tony Fisher (TF)
Fiona Hill (FH) – Parish Clerk

Public Present: 0

RDF was Madam Chairman for the meeting

20/88 To accept apologies for absence:

Parish Councillors Russell Dowson (RDM) and Chris Small (CS)

20/89 To record declarations of interest in items on the agenda: None

20/90 To confirm the minutes of the Meeting held on Wednesday 30 October 2019:

The approval of these Minutes and those from 25Sep19 were approved

20/91 To discuss matters arising from previous minutes: None

20/92 To discuss long-standing matters:

1. Appearance of the parish e.g. grass cutting/litter –
FH would contact Highways England about the Conifers obscuring the signs on North Lane.
FH would contact Neil Ferris, CYC about the neglected state of the areas around the bridge at Hopgrove Lane South and Stockton Lane.
The Parish Council would inspect the area along Sandy Lane, which appeared to be lacking a street light.
PD/TF would request a further road sweep and gulley clearing now leaves had fallen from trees.
TF had contacted Snowball Plantation, who promised to deal with the noise issues and the situation appeared to have improved.
TF reported the Gay Meadows sign had been repaired and the Kings Moor Road sign had been repaired.
TF was still trying to obtain litter pickers and hi viz jackets
DC reported the trees had been cut back near the golf course.
RDF would apply sealant to the village sign childrens artwork to try and prevent leaking
JC had checked the levels of the salt bins –
Stone Riggs was full
Village Stores and Hopgrove Lane South were half full

Stockton Surgery and Primary School were quarter full, so these would be filled up. FH would obtain prices from CYC and Stone Plan

2. Yorkshire Marathon – NTR

3. City of York Local Plan – NTR

4. Strensall with Towthorpe PC Neighbourhood Plan –

The last revisions were currently being done, so would be submitted to CYC Jan20

5. Speeding –

There was a scheme for road marking about to commence along Sandy Lane

6. Hopgrove Lane South – Left Filter Lane – NTR

7. Barr Lane – FH would ask if passing places could be installed

8. A64 proposed improvement schemes – NTR

20/93 To receive any matters raised by members of public:

A resident had emailed the Parish Council about three issues –

- The encroachment of grass verges on to footpaths between Barr Lane and Village Hall
- The decrepit state of the footpath from Barr Lane towards the Old Rectory
- The BT Phone Box

The Parish Council would report the first two issues to Neil Ferris, CYC

PD reported that CYC had supported the Parish Council in their request to keep the phone box due to the poor mobile signal. The decision from BT was now awaited.

20/94 To report and make relevant recommendations on new planning applications:

Letter A: We support the application

Letter B: We have no objections

Letter C: We do not object but wish to make comments or seek safeguards as set out overleaf

Letter D: We object on the planning grounds set out overleaf

1. **19/02018/FUL** – Erection of 2 no. five bedroom detached dwellings with associated landscaping following demolition of former Public House @ **Four Alls Inn, Malton Road**

Letter C, proposed: DC, seconded: KS, unanimous

- The application should not breach any planning regulations
- The site should be well landscaped and screened from A64
- There should be safe access and egress on to the A64 without affecting the traffic flow

2. **19/02292/FUL** – Change of use of land to for, extension to existing haulage yard to provide storage for lorries, trailers and portable buildings and to provide parking for employees @ A. Rhodes (Haulage) Ltd, Grange Farm, Hazelbush Lane

Letter C, proposed: RW, seconded: RDF, 4 votes in favour, 0 votes against, 1 abstention (JC)

- The application should not harm/damage the openness of the greenbelt
- Conditions should be imposed to control the hours of operation/construction
- The screening bund would benefit from some more planting
- The units should not be stacked more than two high
- No more lighting should be introduced to the site
- The nearby waterway should not be damaged/compromised

20/95 To report planning decisions by City of York Council: None

20/96 To receive reports from representatives of following outside bodies:
 a. Footpaths – NTR
 b. Foss (2008) Internal Drainage Board – NT
 c. North Yorkshire Police – the Oct19 report had being emailed around Cllrs
 d. Stockton Hall Hospital – DC circulated a paper copy of the most recent minutes

20/97 To discuss the Stockton-on-the-Forest Play Area:
 - RDF had conducted the inspections last month and KS/RW would conduct the inspections next month.
 - Playscheme had been contacted about replacing the nest swing
 - Aspects had been contacted about cutting back the hedge and undergrowth.

20/98 To report any new correspondence received by the council: None

20/99 To receive matters raised by members: None

20/100 To discuss matters raised by Parish Clerk/Responsible Financial Officer:
 1. Bookkeeping records for the year ending 31Mar19 to date
 FH circulated the bank reconciliation, along with an Income & Expenditure Report
 2. Financial Management - Internal Control, Property/Asset Checks, Internal/External Audit, GDPR –
 2.1 Budget 2020-2021
 A precept of £7950.00 was unanimously agreed, proposed RW, seconded: DC
 3. To approve the following invoices for payments

3.1	Parish Clerk	Salary	£281.81	101245
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FH reported that there were still issues with the website, but Karen had managed to upload most of the past minutes.

20/101 To confirm the dates of the future meeting(s) on Wednesday at 7.30 p.m. in the village hall a: 18Dec19, 29Jan20, 26Feb20, 25Mar20, 29Apr20, 27May20, 24Jun20, 29Jul20, 26Aug20, 30Sep20, 28Oct20, 25Nov20, 16Dec20

The Pensions Regulator - Duties Checker	
Stockton-on-the-Forest Parish Council is an employer who has to provide a pension Their Staging Date is 01 January 2016 What you need to do and by when: 1. Confirm who to contact - Done FH has exchanged emails with The Pensions Regulator to advise them that both the Primary Contact and the Secondary Contact is Fiona Hill 2. Choose a pension scheme - Done The Parish Council have enrolled with Now Pensions Trustee Ltd, 164 Bishopgate, London, EC2M 4LX with assistance from Ardent IFA Ltd, 80 Clifton, York, YO30 6BA. Tel: 01904 655330. Email: hello@ardentuk.com Type of pension scheme: Occupational Employer pension scheme reference (EPSR): 1D81 Pension scheme registry number (PSR): 12005124 3. Work out who to put into a pension - Done The Parish Clerk is an Entitled Employee and the Employer is not required to automatically enrol them into the workplace pension scheme. The Employee is entitled to join the scheme, but the Employer does won't have to contribute. 4. Write to your staff - Done Parish Clerk fully informed 5. Declare your compliance - Done Confirmation letter received 20May1	