

STOCKSBRIDGE TOWN COUNCIL

Minutes of a Meeting of the Stocksbridge Town Council, held in the Council Chamber,  
Town Hall, Stocksbridge, on Thursday, 11<sup>th</sup> November 2021

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PRESENT: Cllr. R J Crowther (Chair); Cllrs. J Staniforth, M Whittaker, J A Grocutt, C Ward,  
and S Abrahams

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122. To Receive Chairman's Remarks and Apologies for Absence  
Apologies for Absence were received from Cllrs. A S Law and M Milton.
123. Exclusion of the Press and Public  
The Clerk noted that agenda item 17 would be raised under Part 2 of the meeting.
124. Declarations of Interest  
Cllr. JAG declared an interest in agenda item 14 – Local Area Committees.
125. Public Questions and Petitions  
There were no public questions and petitions.
126. To Receive Remarks from the Minutes of the Town Council meeting held on 14<sup>th</sup> October 2021  
There were no Remarks from the Minutes.
127. To Approve as a True and Correct Record the Minutes of the Town Council meeting held on 14<sup>th</sup> October 2021  
Minutes of the Meeting of the Town Council held on 14<sup>th</sup> October 2021, copies of which had been circulated prior to the meeting were taken as read.  
Proposed by Cllr. J A Grocutt, seconded by Cllr. M Whittaker and  
RESOLVED:- That the minutes be confirmed and signed by the Chairman.
128. Finances - To Receive and Approve Monthly Financial Statements  
The Clerk reported that the details of the Monthly Financial Statements had been previously circulated.  
Proposed by Cllr. J Staniforth, seconded by Cllr. S Abrahams and  
RESOLVED:- That the Town Council accept details of the Monthly Financial Statements for October 2021 as supplied by the Clerk.

The Clerk reported that a further £7,000 of CIL funding had been received which now put the total CIL funding to just short of £60,000. The Clerk therefore suggested that the Town Council could hold a further Participatory Budgeting event in May 2022, covid permitting.  
Cllr. SA felt it would be appropriate to advertise this early in the new year in order that groups/organisations could start planning ahead.

129. Upper Don Valley Arts Community (UDAC)  
The Clerk reported that she had received minutes of the meeting of the UDAC held on 20<sup>th</sup> September 2021.
130. Dransfield Properties Ltd  
Correspondence including:-  
- Press release informing that the Halloween Market would be held in the new indoor market emporium on 30<sup>th</sup> October from 11am to 6pm  
- press release announcing the opening of The Range by Deputy Mayor, Cllr. J Staniforth on 29<sup>th</sup> October creating 40 full and part-time jobs within the community  
Copies previously circulated.
131. Streets Ahead  
The Clerk reported that she had received from Streets Ahead a copy of the November Newsletter. Copies of this correspondence had been previously circulated to members'.
132. Licensing Application  
The Clerk reported that she had received notification from the Licensing Service of the following application for Grant of Premises Licence:-  
516 Manchester Road, Stocksbridge  
Coffee Shop to sell alcohol  
Live music, recorded music Sun-Sat 19:00-23:00  
Supply of alcohol Sun-Sat 11:00-00:00  
Opening hours Sun-Sat 09:00-00:00
133. Yorkshire Local Councils Associations  
Correspondence including:-  
- White Rose Update, 29<sup>th</sup> October  
- White Rose Update, 5<sup>th</sup> November  
The Clerk noted that the item regarding free trees from Woodland Trust had been forwarded to local schools and Steel Valley Project, informing that a grid reference was required for the location the trees were to be planted in.  
Cllr. SA welcomed this and stated that following the works in New Hall Wood, a project undertaken by SVP, it was hoped to plant lots of new trees.  
Copies previously circulated.
134. Bus Service Changes  
The Clerk reported that she had received notification from SYPTE of bus service changes effective from 30<sup>th</sup> October, those affected in the area being the SL1 and SL1a – Monday to Saturday daytime frequency reduced from every 12 minutes to 3 buses per hour. Sunday frequency reduced from every 20 minutes to 2 buses per hour, due to a shortage of bus drivers.  
Copies of this correspondence had been previously circulated to members' and added to the Town Council's website.
135. Clerks & Councils Direct  
The Clerk reported that she had received a copy of Clerks and Councils Direct, Issue 138, November 2021.

136. Clerks ReportsRemembrance Day

The Clerk reminded members that the Remembrance Day Parade and Service would be held on 14<sup>th</sup> November, assembling at Johnson Street at 9.45am processing to the Clock Tower for the Service and act of Remembrance.

Christmas Card Competition

The Clerk reported that judging of the Town Council's Christmas Card competition had been undertaken prior to this meeting and presented to Councillors the 4 winning entries from each school and the overall winner being chosen from Deepcar St John's school. Arrangements had been made for these to be taken to the printers and the schools notified.

The Town Council would be using the design of the overall winner for this year's Christmas card. Once printed the Mayor would visit each school to present each winner with their framed picture and number of the Christmas cards.

Town Hall Boiler

The Clerk reported that one of the two boilers heating the Town Hall had been condemned at the recent annual safety check. The remaining boiler was airing the building but tenants were complaining that offices were cold. The Clerk tabled a quotation from Wright Brothers Ltd, received today, for replacement and installation of a new boiler, being £2950 +VAT. It had been noted that the boilers had been installed at the same time so the other boiler may not be far behind.

Cllr. SA felt that the Town Council should be looking to install a heat pump or similar in view of climate change issues.

Cllr. MW noted that he had looked into this for his own home but it being an old building, similar to the Town Hall building, it had not been feasible and would not have provided sufficient heat.

Cllr. CW felt that in view of the time of year and tenants welfare the boiler should be replaced as soon as possible.

Proposed by Cllr. J Staniforth, seconded by Cllr. C Ward and

**RESOLVED:-** That the quotation received from Wright Brothers Ltd of £2950+VAT for replacement of the boiler in the Town Hall be approved.

That the Town Council look at alternative heating sources for the future.

137. To Receive Verbal Reports from Members'

a) Cllr. CW informed that she had been thanked by a member of the public for her assistance in getting him a ramp and wet room fitted.

Cllr. CW noted that she had been approached by shops on the precinct to enquire if there was to be an event to mark this year's Christmas lights switch on as there would not be one held in Fox Valley again this year due to covid.

The Clerk informed that she had not been aware that Fox Valley were not putting on an event, but noted that in view of covid/health and safety restrictions and the planning involved it would not be possible for the Town Council to organise an event at this late stage, the lights being switched on 18<sup>th</sup>/19<sup>th</sup> November. The Fox Valley events held over the past few years had taken over from those on the precinct. Hopefully in the future, once works commenced on the Towns Fund projects and the precinct area was upgraded it would be possible to hold such an event.

Cllr. CW reported that she was having difficulty contacting the new Youth Service worker.

Cllr. JAG informed that she had only been in post a couple of weeks and had been attending many events.

b) Cllr. MW reported that he had attended the Volunteer Fayre at Fox Valley, the Towns Fund presentation in the Library and 2 UDAC meetings.

Cllr. MW had also attended the SVP AGM and felt that the group were not as well known in the area as they should be as they did a huge amount of work both in and around the area.

c) Cllr. SA reported that Bolsterstone Archaeological Group had expanded and were doing well and their next meeting would be held in partnership with SLLP.

Cllr. SA stated that the UDAC was moving forward and asked that all members feed back to her what their local community centre/village hall does/does not do in order that a list could be formed.

Cllr. SA reported that the People Keeping Well project now had a community worker in place.

Cllr. SA noted that the local GP surgeries had commenced face to face appointments as soon as they were able, had undertaken flu clinics on a Sunday and run covid vaccination sessions at the Leisure Centre on several weekends, so had been upset to see a letter in Look Local to the contrary, to which she felt she must respond.

Cllr. SA informed that the STEP Nursery was up and running and the new toddler group had started. The Business Centre was full and the Christ Church groups were all running again.

Cllr. SA reported that the meeting with Liberty Steels to discuss the lease on The Venue had been cancelled for the fourth time with no reasons given, which was placing pressure on them as they were unable to plan ahead or take future bookings.

d) Cllr. JAG reported that she had attended the Remembrance Day Service at Bolsterstone Church together with the Mayor and Deputy Mayor.

Cllr. JAG noted that Amey are aware of the carriageway deterioration on Bocking Hill and are to undertake repairs in the new year.

Cllr. JAG stated that she had held her first face to face surgery which had been extremely well attended, mainly by residents to discuss flooding issues which were prevalent in the area.

Cllr. JAG had attended the playgroup at the Christian Centre, the Towns Fund Board meetings and consultation exercises across the Valley undertaken by A Holmes, these had been well attended and lots of feedback given which now had to be pulled together. The Clerk noted that A Holmes had held a meeting for local businesses in the Council Chamber on 9<sup>th</sup> November which had been successful.

Cllr. JAG had attended the People Keeping Well meeting, Volunteer Fayre at Fox Valley and had met with the Police and residents at Woolley Road regarding the Skate Park and anti-social behaviour, which was an issue all over the area.

e) Cllr. JS reported that he had attended the Remembrance Day Service at Bolsterstone Church, the Halloween Party held at the Leisure Centre, the Craft Fayre at the Inman Pavilion which was always very good and well attended.

Cllr. JS had the pleasure of opening The Range in Fox Valley which had seen crowds of people attending, the Volunteer Fayre held in Fox Valley which he felt needed renaming to the Community Fayre as visitors were expecting a market but noting that Brownies/Guides/Cubs and Scouts stalls appeared to have done well.

138. To Receive a Verbal Report from the Mayor

The Mayor, Cllr. R J Crowther reported that he had attended the following events since the last meeting:-

Garden Village Community Association meeting

Royal British Legion meeting

11<sup>th</sup> November – Remembrance Day service at St Mary's Church, Bolsterstone

11<sup>th</sup> November – judging of the Town Council's Christmas Card competition

139. To Consider Planning Applications and receive the Decisions of the Sheffield Planning and Highways Committee

21/04262/FUL	Land associated with Ingfield House, 11 Bocking Hill, Stocksbridge	Erection of 14 dwellinghouses with associated works, parking and landscaping.
21/04289/FUL	48 Cross Lane, Stocksbridge	Erection of a 2 storey rear extension, provision of velux window to front elevation, and alterations to front parking space and front access steps to dwellinghouse.
21/04234/FUL	Land at the rear of 13 and 42 Coppice Close, Stocksbridge	Erection of 12 dwellinghouses to replace 7 of the dwellings currently approved under ref 18/03869/FUL.
21/04491/FUL	16 Knowles Avenue, Stocksbridge	Erection of a single-storey rear extension to dwellinghouse.
21/04421/FUL	The Livery Yard, Hunshelf Road, Stocksbridge	Demolition of 2no. timber stable blocks and erection of 2x single-storey buildings to form 4x stables and a workshop/storage.
21/04522/FUL	The Byre, Hollin Busk Farm, Hollin Busk Lane, Stocksbridge	Alterations to garage to form habitable space including music room, gym and store and erection of detached garden room.
21/04291/FUL	Wellhouse Barn Park Lane, Stocksbridge	Alterations and erection of a two-storey side extension to dwellinghouse.
21/04157/LBC	Townend Farm, Townend Lane, Deepcar	Internal/external alterations and use of store building as additional habitable accommodation including creation of lounge at ground floor level and bedroom at first floor.
21/04288/FUL	Townend Farm, Townend Lane, Deepcar	Internal/external alterations and use of store building as additional habitable accommodation including creation of lounge at ground floor level and bedroom at first floor.

Planning Applications - Decisions

The undermentioned planning applications have been Granted Conditionally:-

21/03866/ADV	8 Joseph Hayward House, 2 Fox Valley Way, Stocksbridge	1 internally illuminated LED flex face sign and 1 non-illuminated 'Entrance' sign.
21/03793/FUL	98 Smithy Moor Avenue, Stocksbridge	Extension to rear dormer, erection of single-storey rear extension to dwellinghouse and associated landscaping works.
21/04037/FUL	15 Glebelands Road, Stocksbridge	Demolition of existing garage, provision of vehicle hardstanding, widening of vehicular access, erection of car port, access

		paths/ramps and a raised rear/side deck area.
21/01555/FUL	21 Pen Nook Glade, Deepcar	Demolition of conservatory and erection of single-storey side/rear extension to dwellinghouse (additional plans).
21/03415/FUL	The Paddock, Edward Street, Stocksbridge	Erection of single-storey side extension with raised patio and access steps to garden, and relocation of on-plot vehicular turning facility for dwellinghouse.
21/03485/FUL	2 Beauchief Close, Deepcar	Demolition of detached garage, erection of two-storey side extension including Juliet balcony to the front and additional vehicle hardstanding to front of dwellinghouse.
21/03574/FUL	19 Webb Avenue, Deepcar	Erection of single-storey extension to front of dwellinghouse.
21/03608/FUL	3 Cross Lane, Stocksbridge	Demolition of conservatory, alterations and extension to roof to form additional habitable space including raising of ridge height, erection of single-storey rear extension with raised patio, and erection of detached garage to rear of dwellinghouse.
21/03674/FUL	29 St Margaret Avenue, Deepcar	Rendering of front elevation of dwellinghouse from the first floor upwards, erection of a single-storey rear extension with raised deck and stairway from garden level.
21/03999/FUL	10 McIntyre Road, Stocksbridge	Erection of single-storey front extension including porch and canopy to dwellinghouse and alterations to fenestration (resubmission of planning application 20/02925/FUL).

The undermentioned planning applications have been given Condition Application Decided:-

19/00054/COND1	Land East of the River Don and to the South West of Station Road, Deepcar	Application to approve details in relation to condition nos. 3. Phase II Intrusive Site Investigation; 4. Remediation Method Statement; 5. Construction Access Arrangements; 6. Dust and Emissions Mitigation Strategy; 7. Tree Protection; 8. Mine Water Treatment Facility; 9. Mine Workings Investigation and Remediation Strategy; relating to planning permission 19/00054/FUL.
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20/04188/COND1 2 Hole House Lane, Stocksbridge Application to approve details in relation to condition numbers 1. Begin In 3 Years, 2. Approved Plans, 3. Surface Water Drainage, 4. Plot Levels, 5. and 6. Intrusive Site Investigation, 7. External Materials/Finishes, 8. Boundary Treatment, 9. Car Parking Spaces, 10. Surface Water Public Highway, 11. Surface Water/Foul Drainage, 12. Porous Paving, and 13. PD Removed; Relating to planning permission 20/04188/FUL.

140. Recreation and Environment Committee Members discussed Minutes of the Meeting of the Recreation and Environment Committee of the Town Council held on 2<sup>nd</sup> November 2021, copies of which had been circulated prior to the meeting.

Proposed by Cllr. C Ward, seconded by Cllr. M Whittaker and

RESOLVED:- (i) That the report of the Recreation and Environment Committee be accepted.

141. Finance Committee Members discussed Minutes of the Meeting of the Finance Committee of the Town Council, held on 2<sup>nd</sup> November 2021, copies of which had been circulated prior to the meeting.

Proposed by Cllr. S Abrahams, seconded by Cllr. C Ward and

RESOLVED:- (i) That the report of the Finance Committee be accepted.

With reference to item 6 - Rundle Road Playground. The Clerk reported that she had received an update from A Rowland informing that the resurfacing works were due to commence on 15<sup>th</sup> November and would take approximately 1 week. Following this the Playgrounds Team will be undertaking some improvements to safety surfacing under the equipment. An update on refurbishment works to the climbing frame and swings was awaited, this being weather dependent. Community Forestry have informed that they have a couple of trees for the site which could be planted as part of a mini-opening event of the finished site. Thanks were again given to the Town Council for the donation of £2,500 which had enabled the project to go ahead.

142. Representative on the Local Area Committee (LAC)

The Clerk noted that she had received confirmation from Cllr. A Hooper that the Town Council could appoint a representative to attend the Local Area Committee meetings.

Proposed by Cllr. S Abrahams, seconded by Cllr. C Ward and

RESOLVED:- That Cllr. R J Crowther be appointed as the Town Council's representative on the Local Area Committees.

The Clerk undertook to inform Cllr. A Hooper, Chair of the LAC and D Luck, Local Area Committee Manager, North.

The Clerk noted correspondence received from the Head of Communities, SCC via Cllr. JAG in respect to Town Council representation on the LACs. The Clerk stated that in the past this had been via attendance at partner panel meetings together with Police, local school representatives etc, where no voting rights were involved but local items could be raised and discussed.

The Clerk reported that she had since received an invitation from D Luck for a date to meet with the Parish/Town Council Clerks, the 3 Town/ Parish Chairs and the LAC Chair and Vice Chair to discuss how the North LAC and other local councils can work together. This was to be arranged for early December.

143. Towns Fund

Cllr. JAG noted that this item had been covered earlier in the meeting.

144. Accounts for Authorisation

Proposed by Cllr. , seconded by Cllr. and

RESOLVED:- (i) That cheques be signed in settlement of the undermentioned accounts:-

			<u>Made Under Power</u>
Salaries/Tax/NI/Pensions	November 2021	£3341.99	LGA72(S111)
The Royal British Legion	Poppy Wreaths donation	£ 150.00	LGA72(S137)
T Bisatt	Photo frames Xmas card	£ 59.78	LGA72(S111)
	Competition		
T Bisatt	Microsoft 365 subscription	£ 79.99	“
The Royal British Legion	Grant Aid	£ 60.00	LGA76(S19)
Look Local	Advert re Remembrance	£ 162.00	LGA72(S111)
	Parade		
Facility Maintenance Solutions	Monthly water monitoring	£ 10.30	LGA72(Sch14P9)
T Bisatt	Norton Antivirus subs	£ 94.99	LGA72(S111)
4SLC Trust	Revenue funding 3 <sup>rd</sup>	£5000.00	LGA76(S19)
	Quarter		
City Illuminations Ltd	Install/remove poppy	£ 198.00	LGA72(S111)
Look Local	Advert – Christmas party	£ 162.00	“

(ii) That cheques be signed in settlement of the undermentioned accounts in respect of The ARC:-

			<u>Made Under Power</u>
T Bisatt	Reimburse to Petty Cash	£ 30.00	LGA72(S111)
Pollards Wholesale Ltd	Coffee supplies	£ 42.33	“
Viking	Refreshment supplies	£ 16.74	“
Copymark (Service) Ltd	Photocopier usage	£ 4.97	“
Firths Window Cleaning	Windows cleaned – Nov	£ 55.00	“
T Bisatt	Car Park signage	£ 45.24	“
Facility Maintenance Solutions	Monthly water monitoring	£ 20.60	“
NRC Services Ltd	Cleaning contract	£ 674.95	“
IPM Group	Annual Keyholding Fee	£ 300.00	“

(iii) That authority be given for Direct Debits paid in settlement of the undermentioned accounts October 2021:-

			<u>Made Under Power</u>
Sheffield City Council	Business Rates – ARC	£ 524.00	LGA72(S111)
Sheffield City Council	Business Rates – History	£ 40.00	“
	Society		
Sheffield City Council	Business Rates – Bol toilets	£ 60.00	“
Intuit Ltd – Quickbooks	VAT software subscription	£ 14.40	“
Moorepay	Payroll monthly charge	£ 69.40	“
Business Stream	Water charges – ARC	£ 302.96	“
Veolia	Waste removal	£ 85.68	“
E-On	Electricity charges – Xmas	£ 12.31	“
	Tree, Precinct		

Proposed by Cllr. J Staniforth, seconded by Cllr. M Whittaker and

**RESOLVED:-** That under the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960, members of the press and public are excluded for the following item(s) of business as the Council considers that the nature of business to be transacted is prejudicial to the public interest.

145. Queens Honours List

Cllr. JAG noted that a request had been made for a letter of support from the Town Council in connection with a local resident being nominated for the Queens Honours List. The resident in question had previously received an Annual Citizens Award from the Town Council.

Chairman