

STOCKSBRIDGE TOWN COUNCIL

Minutes of a meeting of the Stocksbridge Town Council, held in the Council Chamber, Town Hall, The ARC, Stocksbridge on Thursday, 10th January 2019

PRESENT: Cllr. J A Grocutt (Chair); Cllrs. J Staniforth, A S Law, R J Crowther and M Milton

IN ATTENDANCE: Neighbourhoods Chief Inspector S Walne and Sergeant K Frain –
Item 187
4 members of the public – until Item 189

184. To Receive Chairman's Remarks and Apologies for Absence
Apologies for Absence were received from Cllrs. Davis and Ward.
The Chairman expressed her sorrow at the tragic news of the passing of Deborah Holmes, MD of Sandersons. She noted what a wonderful, warm person Deborah was and it had been a pleasure spending time with her. She inspired men and women alike and would be an awful loss for the Town. A minute's silence was observed.
185. Exclusion of the Press and Public
There were no items for Exclusion of the Press and Public.
186. Declarations of Interest
Cllr A Law declared an interest in Planning, item 199.
187. Local Policing Issues
The Chairman welcomed Neighbourhoods Chief Inspector Stuart Walne and Sergeant Keiran Frain, who had been invited to attend the meeting in order that the concerns of the public regarding the lack of police presence and increase in crime within the area could be put to them directly. SW introduced the newly appointed Sgt KF informing of the new structure in place with KF having responsibility for the Stocksbridge & Upper Don area together with Hillsborough and Stannington but would be based in Deepcar Police Station. He also noted that 2 Police Officers were in the process of being recruited and would also be based at Deepcar together with the 2 current PCSO's. SW noted that Stocksbridge does not suffer significant crime when compared to a Sheffield wide perspective. However, he did appreciate recent disturbances by one individual in particular. This situation and any network of perpetrators arising from this was being dealt with. KF gave a brief outline of his previous Police service noting that he has a real desire to work with everyone in the community to drive crime down and keep it under control. Councillors were informed of the development of neighbourhood networks, formalising social media alerts, 2 way dialogue and of encouraging more involvement with the community. In response to the Chairman's question of how the Town Council could help SW noted that the Police would be grateful for information on the most active forums in order that KF could provide regular updates.

Cllr AL asked if the opening of a successful, large retail site Fox Valley, had encouraged criminals from towns further afield, such as Manchester.

SW noted that the major routes travelling both north and south from Stocksbridge were equipped with ANPR, automatic number plate recognition, which ensures that these routes are not as vulnerable as in the past.

SW responded to questions from members of the public, regarding recent incidents at The Friendship and Co-op supermarket. Whilst SW and KF were unsure of the incidents they would look into matters and speak to the managers of the premises to offer any assistance. A further question from the public related to parking issues around schools and parents using phones whilst driving near schools. The Chairman informed of ongoing efforts by herself, the schools and SCC in trying to resolve the problems. SW suggested that the PCSO's could be best placed to help resolve issues in the first instance.

The Chairman thanked SW and KF for attending the meeting and the informative discussion, noting that any publicity regarding Policing returning to Deepcar would be greatly appreciated. KF noted that he would prepare an article for Look Local as well as social media.

188. Public Questions and Petitions

Mrs S Parry attended to present the following questions to Council:-

Will this Town Council support a Stocksbridge Virtual College, making use of the Library, The Venue, the Leisure Centre and all community halls in Bolsterstone, Deepcar and Stocksbridge?

Will the Town Council convene a meeting of local people interested in continuing education and invite them to form a Stocksbridge Virtual College Board?

Will the Town Council invite Cllr. Jayne Dunn, Cabinet Member for Education and Skills to a Town Council/College Board meeting to seek the support of SCC?

Will Town Councillors talk to the Committee members of the community halls in their Town Council ward and encourage their support?

Will the Town Council agree to give a small grant for the start up of a Stocksbridge Virtual College Board?

Following discussion of options available it was agreed that in the first instance the Town Council would write to Sheffield and Barnsley colleges asking for information on the number of people attending their colleges that reside in the Town Council area and what courses they attend.

189. To Receive Remarks from the Minutes of the Town Council meeting held on 13th December 2018

There were no matters arising.

190. To Approve as a True and Correct Record the Minutes of the Meeting of the Town Council held on 13th December 2018

Minutes of the Town Council meeting held on 13th December 2018, copies of which had been circulated prior to the meeting were taken as read.

Proposed by Cllr. Staniforth, seconded by Cllr. Crowther and

RESOLVED:- That the minutes be confirmed and signed by the Chairman.

191. To Receive and Approve Balances and Comparison of Spending Against Budget

The Clerk reported that the details of the Balances & Comparison of Spending Against Budget had been previously circulated.

Proposed by Cllr. A Law, seconded by Cllr. M Milton and
RESOLVED:- That the Town Council accept details of the balances and comparison of spending against budget for December 2018 as supplied by the Clerk.

192. Dransfield Properties Ltd The Clerk reported that she had received correspondence from Dransfield Properties including:-
- news release announcing that Dunkin Donuts has officially opened at Fox Valley
- news release advising that Santa and his helpers have raised over £900 for the Rotary Club of Wortley on the run up to Christmas, which will be used this year to support the Stocksbridge Park Steels F.C. mobile defibrillator fund
Copies of this correspondence had been previously circulated to members’.
193. SYLTE The Clerk reported that she had received correspondence from SYLTE informing of Supertram fare changes effective from 6th January 2019. Copies of this correspondence had been previously circulated to members’.
194. Streets Ahead/Amey The Clerk reported that she had received correspondence from V Varnam informing that upgrade works across the city will cease over the Christmas/New Year period and providing an update on works due to commence January 2019. Essential drainage improvements works on Sunny Bank Road were completed on 9th December. Copies of this correspondence had been previously circulated to members’.
195. Yorkshire Local Councils Associations The Clerk reported that she had received correspondence from the Yorkshire Local Councils Associations including:-
- White Rose Update, December 2018
- Advice Note Number 12
Copies of this correspondence had been previously circulated to members’
196. Clerks & Councils Direct The Clerk reported that she had received the January 2019 edition of the Clerks & Councils Direct, noting the Town Council’s article on the WWI Centenary.
197. To Receive Verbal Reports from Members’
a) Cllr M Milton reported attending a very informative History Society talk on Roman to more modern times; OAP Christmas Party and Carols around the Tree.
b) Cllr J Staniforth reported attending the Science and Craft clubs at the Inman Pavilion, Stocksbridge Nursery Xmas Fair and informed of correspondence with Stagecoach over recent problems regarding buses arriving and leaving points earlier than timetabled. He encouraged anyone who has suffered from these incidents to report the matter as compensation could be forthcoming.
c) Cllr A Law reported attending the OAP Christmas Party, Carols around the Tree, Steel Valley Project meeting, SLLP Steering Committee and the first Judging Panel of the SLLP Community Grant Scheme.
d) Cllr R Crowther reported attending the Carols around the Tree event.

198. To Receive a Verbal Report from the Mayor

The Mayor, Cllr. Julie Grocutt reported that she had attended the following events since the last meeting:-

12th December – OAP’s Christmas Party

14th December – Carols Around the Tree event on the precinct with Bolsterstone Male Voice Choir and Deepcar Brass Band

16th December – Stocksbridge Golf Club Ladies section Christmas event

16th December – Penistone Town Council annual Carol Concert

17th December – Sheffield Transport Group meeting

17th December – Friends of St Matthias meeting held in the Town Hall

19th December - official opening of Dunkin Donuts at Fox Valley

19th December – Valley React Christmas Party

21st December – Belmont Christmas party, employees of Snap Fitness arrived with presents for residents purchased from fund raising efforts by the staff

30th December – 101st Birthday tea for resident of Alpine Lodge

3rd January – STUG meeting where Julie was nominated as Chair of the group

10th January – Pre meeting of the Participatory Budgeting (PB) Task group with the Clerk and B Horsman

10th January – First meeting of the PB Task Group

Meeting on 29th November with Cllr Bagshaw Chair of Bradfield Parish Council, Keith Tomkins SLLP, the Clerk and representatives from Sustrans an organisation that builds cycleways ensuring places are more accessible to all. Sustrans have produced a proposal for a scoping exercise which will be discussed between the Chairs of the 3 Parish/Town Councils and reported back to a future meeting.

199. To Consider Planning Applications and Receive the Decisions of the Sheffield Planning and Highways Committee

18/04638/FUL	121 Carr Road, Deepcar	Erection of single-storey side/rear extension to dwellinghouse.
18/04669/FUL	Greave House Farm, New Hall Lane, Stocksbridge	Siting of a single storey portacabin and accessible WC for agricultural use.
18/03909/FUL	The Wharncliffe, 1 Horsley Croft, Stocksbridge	Erection of single-storey rear extension to dwellinghouse
18/04692/FUL	9 Wilson Road, Deepcar	Erection of first floor rear extension

Planning Applications – Decisions

The undermentioned planning applications have been Granted Conditionally:-

18/04464/FUL	Yorkshire Water Services Sewage Works Manchester Road, Stocksbridge	Amendments to layout plans, elevations and location of the MCC Kiosk and electricity sub-station (Application under Section 73 to vary condition 2 (Approved Plans) as imposed by planning permission 16/02793/FUL.
18/04399/NMA	Avis Royd, Hunshelf Road, Stocksbridge	Application to allow changes of approved materials (amendment to planning approval 18/00588/FUL).

18/04248/FUL	Morehall Fisheries, Manchester Road, Stocksbridge	Application to allow relocation of control building and provision of an additional treatment kiosk (Application under Section 73 to vary condition 2 (Approved Plans) imposed by planning permission 17/03243/FUL).
18/04056/FUL	13 Newton Avenue, Stocksbridge	Alterations/ extension to roof including raising of roof height and new velux windows to create additional living accommodation, and erection of a first floor side extension to dwellinghouse.
18/03478/FUL	Townend Cottage, Townend Lane, Deepcar	Erection of a replacement single-storey extension to front of dwellinghouse (amended description).
18/03370/FUL	16 Ralph Ellis Drive, Stocksbridge	Erection of single-storey side and rear extension to dwelling house.
18/01932/FUL	Ford House, 4 Fox Valley Way, Stocksbridge	Retention of ATM Pod on new concrete base, including 3 no. bollards on ATM Pod concrete base and 2 no. bollards in front of ATM Pod (retrospective application).

200. Finance Committee Members discussed Minutes of the Meeting of the Finance Committee of the Town Council, held on 8th January 2019, copies of which were tabled at the meeting. Proposed by Cllr. J Staniforth, seconded by Cllr. M Milton and
RESOLVED:- (i) That the report of the Finance Committee be accepted.
(ii) That the Town Council award £2,000 to Steel Valley Project for funding assistance towards the Cedar Road project to be taken from 2019/20 Grants budget.

201. Accounts for Payment
Proposed by Cllr. R Crowther, seconded by Cllr. M Milton and
(i) That the cheques be paid in settlement of the undermentioned accounts.

			<u>Made Under Power</u>
Salaries/Tax/NI/Pensions	January	£2963.04	LGA72(S111)
Facility Maintenance Solutions	Bolsterstone toilets water	£ 10.00	PHA1936(S87)
	Temps monitoring - Dec		
Look Local	Advert – Xmas Greetings	£ 108.00	LGA72(S111)
Look Local	Advert – Xmas Thankyous	£ 162.00	“
Mr R Brown	Toilet Cleaning Cover	£ 59.64	“
(ii) That cheques be paid in settlement of the undermentioned accounts in respect of The ARC:-			
NRC Services Ltd	Cleaning – Dec	£ 594.92	LGA72(S111)
NRC Services Ltd	Supply of toilet rolls and Hand towels	£ 42.99	“
Facility Maintenance Solutions	Town Hall water temps Monitoring - Dec	£ 20.00	“
Wright Bros Partnership Ltd	Repairs to heating system	£1979.95	“

(iii) That authority be given for Direct Debit payments made in Dec 2018:- LGA72(S111)

Sheffield City Council Business Rates:-

ARC Management	Stocksbridge History Society	£ 38.00	“
ARC Management	Communal Areas	£ 504.00	“
Stocksbridge Town Council	Bolsterstone toilets	£ 58.00	“
Moorepay	Monthly charge	£ 47.10	“
Veolia	Waste Removal Rental	£ 7.44	“
Veolia	Waste Removal Lift	£ 70.08	“
Yorkshire Water	Water Charges, Bolsterstone Toilets	£ 212.08	PHA1936(S87)

Chairman