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PRESENT: Cllr. K Davis (Chair); Cllrs. J Clarkson, J Staniforth, J A Grocutt, B Grundill, C Ward and R J Crowther

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256. To Receive Chairman's Remarks and Apologies for Absence

Apologies for absence were received from Cllr. A S Law.

257. Exclusion of the Press and Public

There were no items for Exclusion of the Press and Public.

258. Declarations of Interest

Cllrs. J Clarkson declared an interest in Item 273 – To Consider Planning Applications and receive the Decisions of the Sheffield Planning and Highways Committee.

259. Public Questions and Petitions

There were no Public Questions and Petitions.

260. To Receive Remarks from the Minutes of the Town Council meeting held on 8<sup>th</sup> March 2018

With reference to item 243, first paragraph – Sewer Repairs. The Clerk reported that repairs to the sewer on land to the rear of the Town Hall had now been completed.

With reference to item 243 – Yorkshire Water. The Clerk reported that she had received correspondence from Yorkshire Water providing an update on the relocation of the sewage works at Deepcar following the public consultation event held on 26<sup>th</sup> February with a Question and Answer sheet of frequently asked questions, copies of which had also been sent to local residents. The works will be undertaken in phases with Phase 1 commencing on 19<sup>th</sup> March with two sets of temporary traffic lights along Manchester Road between the existing treatment works and the new one at Ewden which will move as works progress and will be in place 24 hours a day, 7 days a week, being manned from 7am to 6.30pm. Phase 2 will see Manchester Road closed completely for 6 weeks during the school holidays from 21<sup>st</sup> July to 2<sup>nd</sup> September with a clearly signposted diversion via Vaughton Hill, A616 Stocksbridge bypass, A61 Penistone Road/Halifax Road, Leppings Lane and Middlewood Road. YW are currently having ongoing discussions with SCC regarding buses and will hold a further public event prior to the full road closure in July. Bloor Homes will also carry out their work in Manchester Road during the closure.

The Clerk reported that she had received correspondence from S Wright, SCC Highways informing that shift working was not an option whilst the YW works were underway due to health and safety issues for contractors.

With reference to item 248 – Deepcar Superloo. The Clerk reported that she had informed Parks & Countryside that the Town Council were not in a position to take over the toilet facility at Deepcar and received confirmation that this would be removed by the suppliers of the unit. The Clerk had again requested that the toilet facility no longer in use opposite the Town Hall be removed at the same time and had been informed by I Turner, Parks & Public Realm that SCC have no funding to remove the facility having been quoted between £5-10K to remove and make good the site. However, he would look into this again if the Town Council were willing to contribute towards the costs. The Clerk had informed IT that the Town Council do not have any surplus funds and that the unit was becoming a health hazard.

SCC had indicated that they would look into removal of the unit again if/when funds became available.

Cllr. JAG queried what would happen to the superloo were it to be vandalised and become a serious health hazard.

Cllr. KD undertook to contact L Firth and the Director of Public Health in order to try to obtain some answers.

261. To Approve as a True and Correct Record the Minutes of the Meeting of the Town Council held on 8<sup>th</sup> March 2018

Minutes of the Town Council meeting held on 8<sup>th</sup> March 2018, copies of which had been circulated prior to the meeting were taken as read.

Proposed by Cllr. J Staniforth, seconded by Cllr. J A Grocutt and

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

262. 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. J Clarkson, seconded by Cllr. B Grundill and

RESOLVED:- That the Town Council accept details of the balances and comparison of spending against budget for March 2018 as supplied by the Clerk.

The Clerk reported that balances from the Grants budget for 2017/2018 financial year would be carried forward to this financial year.

The Clerk reported that South Yorkshire Housing Association had confirmed their intention to move into office 11 within the Town Hall with effect from 1<sup>st</sup> May 2018 and she was awaiting confirmation that office 9 would be taken following the move of Ultragraph Ltd from that office to office 10, also with effect from 1<sup>st</sup> May, therefore, the Town Hall would be full.

263. Dransfield Properties Ltd The Clerk reported that she had received correspondence from Dransfield Properties including:-

- news release informing that Fox Valley will be hosting free AAA health screening on a mobile NHS bus on 15<sup>th</sup> May for male customers aged 65 and over
- news releases regarding the opening of the Boots store at Fox Valley on 21<sup>st</sup> March, the latest and final addition to the shopping destination
- news release informing of events planned over the Easter weekend
- news release advising that a new Centre Manager, Sandra Barley has been appointed at Fox Valley

- news release advising that the vintage Citroen Van café is to be re-launched with a new team taking on the quirky food outlet being Crème Fresh
  - news release informing of the return of the monthly Farmers Market on 7<sup>th</sup> April
- Copies of this correspondence had been previously circulated to members’.

264. Clerks & Councils Direct The Clerk reported that she had received a copy of Clerks & Councils Direct, Issue 116, March 2018.
265. Stocksbridge Walkers Are Welcome Ramblers (SWaW Ramblers) The Clerk reported that she had received correspondence from D Pickersgill informing that Stocksbridge had come second in the bid to become Britain’s Best Walking Neighbourhood, losing out to Hastings Old Town by only 144 votes. Many thanks to everyone who voted, Stocksbridge is now definitely on the nationwide walking map.
266. Benefices of St Matthias’ Stocksbridge, Deepcar and Bolsterstone The Clerk reported that she had received correspondence from The Church of England Church Commissioners regarding the Benefices of St Matthias’ Stocksbridge, Deepcar and Bolsterstone, Pastoral Buildings Scheme published in June 2017. The Diocese has decided that the Scheme should proceed, however prior to this the Diocese is keen to formally acknowledge its history and life in the community and to this end a celebratory event is being organised. Copies of this correspondence had been previously circulated to members’.
267. CPRE The Clerk reported that she had received correspondence from CPRE a copy of Peakland Guardian, Spring and Summer 2018, also copies of Countryside Voice and Fieldwork, Spring 2018.
268. Streets Ahead/Amey The Clerk reported that she had received correspondence from V Varnam providing an update on remote pavement resurfacing works currently being undertaken in Deepcar and Stocksbridge which will continue into May. Copies of this correspondence had been previously circulated to members’.
269. SYPTE The Clerk reported that she had received correspondence from SYPTE informing of engineering works affecting Sheffield Supertram all day between Friday, 20<sup>th</sup> April and Monday, 23<sup>rd</sup> April. Replacement buses will be provided to minimise disruption for passengers. Copies of this correspondence had been previously circulated to members’.
270. Civic Service The Clerk reported that the Revd. Hilda Isaacson had attended a meeting at the Town Hall with herself and Cllr. JAG to discuss a Civic Service to be held in St Matthias Church prior to its closure, the date suggested being 20<sup>th</sup> May 2018.
271. To Receive Verbal Reports from Members’  
a) Cllr. CW apologised for not attending meetings recently.  
Cllr. CW reported that she was still receiving complaints from residents on Manchester Road regarding parking issues. Fox Valley were no longer monitoring number plate details and the problem had escalated again. The residents affected had written to SCC to request disabled parking bays but cannot get them. The Clerk undertook to write to Fox Valley again.

Cllr. CW advised that she had received complaints from a resident of Hunshelf Bank regarding the planning application for a café/restaurant at Fox Valley. It was noted that objections should be made via SCC Planning.

Cllr. CW reported that the surface of the newly erected cycle path to the rear of properties/former Methodist Church on Manchester Road was becoming very uneven and in danger of flooding/washing away as it did not appear to have been finished correctly. Cllr. CW noted that she had volunteered to assess the site via her mobility scooter.

Cllr. CW noted that residents in this area were also still having problems with sewage.

Cllr. CW queried what was happening at Whitwell Community Centre as it appeared to be undergoing a refurbishment. Social events/bingo and voting formerly held at the Centre had been relocated to the Christian Centre at the bottom of Cedar Road.

The Chairman informed that he was not aware of the current situation having been requested by Whitwell CC members not to become involved.

b) Cllr. JAG requested that a letter be written to Highways England regarding the litter on the bypass, asking what their policy was for clearing the area and how often it was undertaken. The entrances to the Town were appalling and it was not a safe area for litter picking by local teams. Cllr. JAG reported that she had taken part in the recent litter pick with other Councillors in areas around the Town but that unfortunately the area was as bad again.

Cllr. JAG reported that she had attended both the Sheffield Transport User Group and Stocksbridge Transport User Group meetings and noted that her application for a bus stop at Bracken Moor on the down hill side had been approved. The Clerk also confirmed that a bus shelter was to be sited at St Margaret Avenue, Deepcar as previously requested.

Cllr. JAG advised that the Police had been due to attend the Stocksbridge Community Forum meeting but had not turned up.

Cllr. JAG informed of a meeting held with herself, the Clerk and Revd. Hilda Isaacson to discuss holding a Civic Service, the date of which was 20<sup>th</sup> May commencing at 4pm in St Matthias Church. The Arch Deacon was to carry out the service and Bolsterstone Male Voice Choir had been invited but had not yet confirmed availability. A closure service for St Matthias Church would be held on 18<sup>th</sup> July at 7.30pm. Revd. H Isaacson was to advise on an appropriate item for the Town Council to present to the Church which would then be located at St John's Church, Deepcar.

Cllr. JAG reported that Remembrance Day had also been discussed at the meeting, noting that as it fell on the Sunday, services would be held in both Bolsterstone and Stocksbridge.

Confirmation from the Parade Marshall and British Legion as to their preferred location in Stocksbridge for a service following the closure of St Matthias Church was still awaited.

Cllr. JAG reported that she had also attended the People Keeping Well/Well North meetings, Valley Musical Festival which had been a huge success, opened the new Boots store in Fox Valley, the Bolsterstone Community Group AGM and monthly meetings, Stocksbridge Community Health Forum and Happy Hands Toddler Group.

c) Cllr. RJC reported that he had been involved with casework.

d) Cllr. JS reported that he had taken part in the Town Council's litter pick together with his young son and attended the Science Club and Craft Clubs at the Inman Pavilion which were both well attended.

e) Cllr. JC reported that the residents of Truman Grove were still awaiting a litter bin. Unfortunately, they were also experiencing problems with other residents taking drugs.

Cllr. JC informed of a local George Formby singer who he felt would be suitable for the WWI celebrations. Cllr. JAG requested his contact details for the Dementia Group.

f) Cllr. BG reported that he had attended the TARA meeting and Inman Pavilion meeting regarding the new GDPR regulations which were causing large amount of work for the group.

272. To Receive a Verbal Report from the Mayor

The Mayor, Cllr. Keith Davis reported that he had attended the following events since the last meeting:-

28<sup>th</sup> March – STEP EGM

1<sup>st</sup> April – Stocksbridge Golf Club Childrens Easter Party

7<sup>th</sup> April – Cat Show held at The Venue

Bracken Moor 30<sup>th</sup> Anniversary celebrations

11<sup>th</sup> April – STEP Board Meeting

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

18/01047/TDD	3 Belmont Drive, Stocksbridge	Removal of a tree (Tree Preservation Order No. 808/20).
18/00653/FUL	Land For Retail Development Fox Valley Way, Fox Valley	Erection of a cafe/restaurant (Use Class A3).

The Clerk reported that there were 9 objections from local residents and the Bolsterstone Community Group (BCG) with respect to planning applications 17/03761/LBC/17/03760/FUL. Cllr. JAG noted that members of BCG were concerned at the lack of consultation, the location of the accessible door being adjacent to a cottage, a ramp which was not compliant and issues with regard to parking in the area. The building has Grade II listed status and any works should adhere to the appropriate restrictions.

Proposed by Cllr. J A Grocutt, seconded by Cllr. J Staniforth and

**RESOLVED:-** That the Town Council instruct the Clerk to write to Planning Department with respect to the undermentioned planning applications requesting that listed building restrictions be adhered to in view of the building having Grade II listed status and that residents' concerns/objections be taken into account.

17/03761/LBC	Stocksbridge Rugby Club Changing Rooms, Porters Lodge, Walders Lane, Bolsterstone	Use of existing Rugby Club changing room facilities to form an outdoor adventure training centre/residential community space.
17/03760/FUL	Stocksbridge Rugby Club Changing Rooms, Porters Lodge, Walders Lane, Bolsterstone	Use of existing ruby club changing room facilities to form an outdoor adventure training centre/residential community space.

Planning Applications - Decisions

The undermentioned planning applications have been Granted Conditionally:-

17/04289/FUL	2 Linden Crescent, Stocksbridge	Provision of balcony to rear of dwellinghouse.
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18/00458/FUL	Central Bean, 8 Fox Valley Way, Stocksbridge	Alterations and single-storey extension to building.
The undermentioned 17/03243/COND1	Morehall Fisheries, Manchester Road, Stocksbridge	Condition Application Decided:- Application to approve details in relation to condition numbers 13 & 14 (Cleaning of Wheels), 18 (Gates/Barriers) and 19 (Construction Method Statement) of planning permission 17/03243/FUL.
17/03888/COND1	Glebelands Road Playground, Glebelands Road, Stocksbridge	Application to approve details in relation to conditions numbered 4. External materials and finishes; and 5. Boundary treatment: relating to planning permission 17/03888/FUL.
The undermentioned NP/S/0118/0062	The Old Vicarage, Heads Lane, Bolsterstone	Refused:- New dormer to roof and new external fire escape.

274. Recreation & Environment Committee Members discussed Minutes of the Meeting of the Recreation and Environment Committee of the Town Council, held on 10<sup>th</sup> April 2018, copies of which were tabled at the meeting.

Proposed by Cllr. B Grundill, seconded by Cllr. J Staniforth and

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

With reference to item 5 – Bolsterstone Traffic Issues. The Clerk reported that she had written to both Teresa Bond and the PCSO's requesting information on the provision of SID's for the area. TB had responded advising that this would need to be done via SCC Highways/Amey. The Clerk undertook to write to obtain costings etc.

275. Finance Committee Members discussed Minutes of the Meeting of the Finance Committee of the Town Council, held on 10<sup>th</sup> April 2018, copies of which were tabled at the meeting.

Proposed by Cllr. J A Grocutt, seconded by Cllr. B Grundill and

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

(ii) That the Town Council approve a grant of £725 to Valley Recreational Activity Community Project towards the staging of a Christmas Pantomime.

(iii) That the Town Council approve the renewal of the Annual Subscription to Yorkshire Local Councils Associations of £1420 for 2018/2019.

(iv) That the Town Council approve the funding of £1600 to Stocksbridge Valley In Bloom for the financial year 2018/2019.

(v) That the Town Council award a trophy for one of the categories up to the value of £50 in support of the Steel Valley Charity Cycle Ride to be held on 14<sup>th</sup> July 2018.

276. Accounts for Payment

Proposed by Cllr. J A Grocutt, seconded by Cllr. J Clarkson and

**RESOLVED:-** (i) That the cheques be paid in settlement of the under mentioned accounts.

			<u>Made Under Power</u>
Salaries/Tax/NI/Pensions		£2727.56	LGA72(S111)
Facility Maintenance Solutions	Bolsterstone toilets water Temps monitoring – Mar	£ 10.00	PHA1936(S87)
Facility Maintenance Solutions	Repairs to split pipework - Bolsterstone toilets	£ 110.00	“
Facility Maintenance Solutions	Fit insulation to cisterns - Bolsterstone toilets	£ 90.00	“
Wallgate Ltd	Contract renewal - Bolsterstone toilets	£ 541.20	“
Zurich Municipal	Annual insurance contract	£ 571.25	LGA72(S111)
Word for Word (WFO) Ltd	Letterhead	£ 121.20	“
Peak Park Parishes Forum	Annual subscription	£ 6.00	“
Yorkshire Local Councils Asscn	Annual subscription	£1420.00	“
South Yorkshire Pensions Auth	Pension contributions	£1000.00	“
4SLC Trust	Quarterly grant aid	£5000.00	LGA76(S19)
Stocksbridge & District	Grant Aid	£ 500.00	“
Pentaqua Swimming Club			
ARC Management	Rental – History Society	£5241.60	“
ARC Management	Rental – S/B Comm Care Grp	£1326.00	“
(ii) That cheques be paid in settlement of the undermentioned accounts in respect of The ARC:-			
NRC Services Ltd	Cleaning – Mar	£ 600.32	LGA72(S111)
Facility Maintenance Solutions	Town Hall water temps - Mar	£ 20.00	“
Facility Maintenance Solutions	Supply & fit 3 x lamps/ Repairs to gents toilets	£ 65.00	“
Firths Window Cleaning	Windows cleaned – Mar	£ 55.00	“
Zurich Municipal	Annual insurance contract	£2304.89	“
Viking	Ice Melt	£ 62.24	“
AquaPoint Ltd	Water supply/rental/service	£ 44.09	“
A W Electrics (Sheffield) Ltd	Emergency lights inspection	£ 694.80	“
(iii) That authority be given for Direct Debit payments made in Mar 2018:-			LGA72(S111)
Sheffield City Council Business Rates:-			
ARC Management	Stocksbridge History Society	£ 42.54	“
ARC Management	Communal Areas	£ 504.00	“
ARC Management	Rooms 10 & 11	£ 259.60	“
Stocksbridge Town Council	Bolsterstone toilets	£ 54.00	“
Moorepay	Monthly charge	£ 45.00	“
Southern Electric	ARC supply	£ 965.43	“
Veolia	Eurobin lift/rental	£ 95.04	“
Npower	Precinct supply	£ 87.60	“
Yorkshire Water	ARC supply	£ 337.68	“
Yorkshire Water	Bolsterstone toilets	£ 114.10	PHA1936(S87)



(iv) That approval be given for cheques paid in settlement of the undermentioned account in respect of the Clerks Petty Cash Account:-

Yorkshire Local Councils Asscn GDPR Training course x 2      £    90.00    LGA72(S111)

Chairman