



Stalbridge Town Council Meetings

Town Council Meeting Minutes

Approved minutes of a meeting of the Town Council Meeting held on Wednesday 19th October 2022. (Held at The Hub Commencing at 7 p.m.)

Councillors present at the meeting:

K Garland (Chair), D Andrews, H Hatcher, Penfold, M Robinson & Viv Zarucki.

Clerk for the meeting:

T Watson

Present:

G Carr-Jones (Dorset Councillor)

There were 2 members of the public present

Open Forum:

No comments

1. To receive apologies

P Hancock & N Penny.

2. To receive declarations of interest and requests for dispensations (Please notify the Town Clerk prior to the meeting)

K Garland: Pecuniary item 14a. in relation to payments to IK Services.

3. To approve the minutes of the meeting held on 27th September 2022

RESOLVED: The minutes of the meeting having previously been circulated to Councillors were approved and signed by the Chairman.

4. To receive the Dorset Councillors report.

Written October report received in meeting papers.

G Car Jones spoke to members regarding his actions concerning the previous CC Moores site contractor parking on Church Hill and the accident adjacent to Ring Street on Dikes driveway.

5. To receive Town Councillors written reports.

Written reports received from K Garland regarding the gift of a picture and an update on the provision of a Youth Club in the town.

6. To carry out the annual review of fidelity guarantee 22.23

The paper provided illustrated that the fidelity cover is more than the highest point of the bank balance.

RESOLVED: The annual review of fidelity guarantee 22.23 carried out

7. To approve the quarterly newsletter October 2022

Draft provided included introduction to 2 new members and archive update

RESOLVED: Quarterly newsletter October 2022 approved

8. To receive notice of events in Stalbridge in relation to road TRO applications.

The paper provided detailed the events, dates and time of the closure applications in relation to remembrance Sunday 13/11/22 and the Christmas events 02.12.22. It was noted the return parade on remembrance Sunday has been altered to between 11.30 and 11.45am.

RESOLVED: Notice received of events in Stalbridge in relation to road TRO applications.

9. To resolve the purchase of the TC wreath for the remembrance service on the 13th November and specify members attending.

RESOLVED: Donation of £50 to the RBL to be made for the wreath and M Robinson to attend on behalf of the Town Council.

10. To receive an update from the Stalbridge cost of living crisis action group working group and give further instruction. K Garland

Paper provided detailing the actions proposed so far which include a fact-finding visit to the Vale Pantry, collating a signposting package and the launch of the 'All Things Cosy' project in Stalbridge. All members present committed to helping host the 'All Things Cosy' sessions at The Hub.

RESOLVED: 'All Things Cosy' sessions at The Hub to commence weekly from 14th November. Commence publicity for the events.

11. For a Town Council representative to join K Garland on White Hart initiative to promote North Dorset as a place to visit for Tourism. K Garland

N Penny had offered to join K Garland in the project

RESOLVED: For N Penny to join K Garland on White Hart initiative to promote North Dorset as a place to visit for Tourism.

12. Planning.

a. Recent planning decisions of Dorset Council

None

b. Report on responses to planning consultations made by the POSAG

P/LBC/2022/05930 Installation of two compressor units behind one of the projecting shop windows with two metal grilles visible at low level. Stalbridge Post Office High Street Stalbridge Dorset DT10 2LH.

Support the application subject to the conservation officers comments as there is minimal aesthetic alteration to the existing external fabrication of the building and providing that neither of the two compressors will be visible through the window from the road side

c. Appeals and matters of report from previous applications

None

d. Members planning matters of report

None.

13. Town Clerks report & Correspondence: As detailed in annex 1a.

Clerks Report

Highway at Gibbs Marsh – Received a complaint from Mr Weeks regarding the speed of traffic, volume of HGV vehicles and the amount of litter including bagged human faeces found in the fields adjacent to the highway and the hedges when they are cut in September. It was understood the Ward members has had long standing communications concerning the issues raised to which there is not an obvious solution.

Jarvis way play area refurbishment- Three schemes have been obtained and public consultation will be arranged soon.

Jubilee Play area – Complaint received concerning the amount of dog fouling on the sports pitches. Clerk to contact the dog warden.

Correspondence

Received via the ward member regarding the building material used on a path on Blackmore Vale meadows. It was understood the Ward member had contacted the planning office who were unable to help.

14. Finance.

a. To receive a list of payments

		Payments	Receipts
Partnership Fire & security	Annual fire extinguisher service	£60.00	
Partnership Fire & security	Annual fire, intruder alarm & emergency lighting service	£304.80	
ND electrical services	Repair light in Clerks office	£105.60	
Dorset Council	Hub rates 8 of 10 due 01.11.22	£749.00	
Dorset Council	car park rates 8 of 10 due 01.11.22	£469.00	
In Lieu to T Watson	Safety signs for less fire assembly point sign	£36.10	
In Lieu to T Watson	Midland flag Stalbridge flag	£93.98	
Clerk	Salary Oct 22	£1,266.44	
HMRC	Tax / NI Oct 22	£233.84	
DC	Pension Oct 22	£410.79	
Assistant Clerk	Salary Oct 22	£469.73	
British Gas	Hub Gas 02.08-01.09.22	£45.99	
British Gas	Gas hub 02.09-01.10.22	£81.53	
Four Counties Services Ltd	On site test meeting room PC and wireless networks	£42.00	
Four Counties Services Ltd	Increase in MS audio conferencing charge	£0.60	
Four Counties Services Ltd	IT Support September	£108.54	
JFDP Design & Print	web authoring (September)	£288.00	
Tesco Mobile	Mobile phone September 22	£12.99	
IK Services	Street Cleaning - September 22	£2,616.67	

Bankline	charges September	£27.22	
JFDP Design & Print	Hub car parking signs	£131.50	
PKF Littlejohn LLP	21.22 external audit	£480.00	
SSE	Electricity WC's 08/07-07/10/22	£58.60	
Four Counties Services Ltd	Ex renal Pc & installation for main room	£324.00	
Water2 business	Water station Rd WC's 22.03-29.09.22	£247.10	
Water2 business	Water Hub22.03-29.09.22	£81.44	
Water2 business	Water allotments 16.03-29.09.22	£196.23	
IK Services	Bin Hire		£32.50

RESOLVED: List of payments & receipts received.

b. To receive the quarterly financial report ending 30.09.22

RESOLVED: Report received TC internal auditor to verify the bank statements

15. The next meeting of the Town Council will be on Wednesday 16.11.2022

There being no further business the Meeting closed at 20.20 pm

Approved 16/11/2022

Signed.....

Chairman