

**The Minutes of the Meeting of Stockbury Parish Council  
held in Stockbury Village Hall on the 19<sup>th</sup> December 2018 at 7:30 PM.**

***Councillors present: Bingham  
Cathcart  
Mace  
Southern  
Woods***

***Also, present: Parish Clerk, Mrs S Babington, MBC Councillor Garten and members of the public.***

***The meeting was chaired by Parish Cllr Woods.***

**1. Apologies.**

Apologies were received from Cllrs Brown, Tomsett, and KCC Cllr Prendergast.

**2. Declaration of Interest.**

Cllr Cathcart – Binbury Park application.

**3. Minutes of the previous Meeting.**

The Minutes of the previous meeting were circulated to all present. These were proposed by Cllr Bingham as a true record, this was seconded by Cllr Woods and agreed by all present.

The Minutes were then signed and dated by the Chairman of the meeting.

**4. Matters Arising.**

Cllr Garten stated that MBC had now approved its four key points for its Strategic Plan.

**5. Notice of Reports from External Meetings.**

Cllr Woods – Planning Matters.

**6. Consultation on the Meeting Agenda.**

**a. Members of the Public.**

No matters were raised.

**b. Parish Councillors.**

No matters were raised.

**7. Highways Matters.**

**a. General Matters.**

Cllr Cathcart reported that the double yellow lines at the Aerodrome Approach Road had been installed and parking enforcement was now needed.

This was discussed, and it was agreed that members would gather evidence of the HGV's and their companies would be contacted to try to deter the illegal parking.

**b. Junction 5 improvements**

Correspondence from Highways England was circulated to all present offering a meeting on 8<sup>th</sup> January 2019 regarding the Junction 5 improvements.

This was discussed by members and it was agreed that the Parish Council would host a meeting on the 8<sup>th</sup> January 2019 at 2:30pm in Stockbury Village Hall.

It was agreed that MBC Councillor Garten and KCC Councillor Prendergast would be invited to attend the meeting, and Councillor Prendergast would be asked to bring an Officer from Kent Highways.

A discussion took place regarding the options agreed by Highways England. Cllr Woods stated that the the Parish Council wished to protect the residents of Stockbury and ensure that they were not affected when the improvements were taking place.

The Clerk was asked to confirm the meeting with Highways England and liaise with KCC Councillor Prendergast regarding representation from KCC.

**Action: Clerk to Action.**

**8. Planning Matters.**

**a. Planning Applications.**

18/506362/LBC Penny Cottage Yelsted Road Yelsted Sittingbourne Kent  
Listed Building Consent for demolition of existing garage (not listed) and erection of a new garage, including utility room, WC and store.

18/506361/FULL Penny Cottage Yelsted Road Yelsted Sittingbourne Kent  
Demolition of existing garage (not listed) and erection of a new garage, including utility room, WC and store.

**b. Binbury Park**

Cllr Woods informed members that the objection letter from Stockbury Parish Council had now been submitted to MBC.

**c. Appeals and Decisions.**

18/505316/FULL  
Hazel Street Cottage Hazel Street Stockbury Sittingbourne Kent ME9 7SB  
Change of use of existing annex to a separate family dwelling  
Application Permitted

18/501979/FULL  
Seaview Farm South Street Road Stockbury Sittingbourne Kent ME9 7QS  
Retrospective application to allow siting of four additional residential mobile homes on site.  
Application Permitted

*Cllr Woods stated that he had attended the MBC Planning Committee meeting to speak in opposition to the Seaview Farm and Yelsted Farm planning applications, both of which had been approved.*

*He raised concerns about MBC approving retrospective planning applications. A general discussion took place regarding this.*

18/501626/FULL  
Yelsted Farm Yelsted Road Yelsted Sittingbourne Kent ME9 7UT  
Demolition of existing storage buildings and siting of a mobile home within the residential curtilage of the main dwelling for occupation by a gypsy and traveller family (retrospective).  
Application Permitted

18/505250/LAWPRO  
Daynall Hill Green Road Stockbury Sittingbourne Kent ME9 7UP  
Lawful Development Certificate for the proposed siting of a mobile home in the rear garden.

Application Permitted

- c. Enforcement Matters.  
No matters were discussed.

**9. Financial Matters.**

- a. Statement of Accounts and cheques for payment.  
The Financial Statement was circulated and approved by all present.

**Bank Balances December 2018**

<b>Opening Balance on Current Account</b>	<b>£37062.40</b>
Add deposits	£0
Less Account for payment	£1201.13
<b>Closing Balance on Current Account</b>	<b>£35861.37</b>

- b. 2019/2020 Budget.  
The draft budget for 2019/20 was circulated with a report to all members for their consideration at the January 2019 meeting.

**10. External Reports.**

- a. Parish Councillors.  
No matters were raised.

- b. Kent County Councillor.  
KCC Councillor Shellina Prendergast gave her apologies to the meeting.

- c. Maidstone Borough Councillor.  
MBC Councillor Garten gave his report to the meeting.  
He stated that he had a Community Fund Budget of £1000 open to village organisations, the deadline for applications was 31<sup>st</sup> March 2019.

He reported that the Communities and Housing Committee of MBC had made a decision to seek a housing partner to develop affordable housing. He gave his view on this initiative and his concerns. He stated that a dialogue with Parish Councils would take place in due course.

- d. Police Report.  
No matters were raised.

**11. Correspondence Report.**

The Correspondence Report was noted by members.

**12. Tri Parish Group/A249 Action Group and JPG.**

No matters were reported.

**13. 2019 Meeting Dates.**

The 2019 Meeting dates were circulated to all present and approved.

**14. Any Other Business.**

*a. Members of the Public.*

No matters were raised.

*b. Parish Councillors.*

Cllr Bingham stated that a new post box had been placed on a gate opposite Appsmoor Farm. He stated that he would inform Planning Enforcement.

Cllr Southern stated that she would look into the ownership of the site.

Cllr Mace informed members that a temporary repair of the bench outside of the church had been undertaken, however he suggested that the PC considers a replacement bench at some point.

Councillor Garten suggested that the Clerk contact MBC Officer John Edwards as they may have benches available.

Cllr Cathcart stated that this could possibly be a Cultural Fund Project.

**15. Date of next meeting.**

16<sup>th</sup> January 2019.

***There being no further business to discuss, the meeting was closed to the press and public at 8.36pm.***

**Signed:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Dated:** \_\_\_\_\_