

STOCKBURY PARISH COUNCIL
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Notice is hereby given that the next Meeting of the Parish Council is to be held on Wednesday 13th December 2023 in Stockbury Village Hall, commencing at 7.30pm. Members of the Public and press are welcome to attend. Members are summoned to attend.

AGENDA

1. Apologies.

Members who cannot attend a meeting shall tender their apologies to the Parish Clerk prior to the meetings, under Section 85(1) of the Local Government Act 1972, the members present must decide whether the reason(s) for a member's absence shall be accepted.

2. Declaration of Interests.

To receive Declarations of Interest in respect of matters contained in this agenda, in accordance with the provisions of the Localism Act 2011 in respect of members and in accordance with the provisions of the Local Government Act 1972 in respect of officers.

To consider any Dispensation requests received by the Parish Clerk and not previously considered.

3. Minutes of the previous meeting.

To consider the minutes of the previous meeting and if in order sign as a true record.

4. Matters arising from the minutes.

To consider any matters arising.

5. Reports from external meetings.

To consider reports from external meetings.

6. Public Comments and Observations.

To discuss any questions received by members of the public.

7. Highways Matters.

a. General Highway Matters.

b. Highways Improvement Plan.

c. M2 Junction 5 Works.

8. Planning Matters:

a. Applications Received

*23/504711/FULL - Erection of single storey carriage/garage barn.
Serenity South Street Road Stockbury Sittingbourne Kent.*

*23/504990/FULL - Vale House Stockbury Valley Stockbury Sittingbourne.
Retrospective application for change of use from horse stables to 1 bed studio.*

b. Application Decisions by MBC

23/504607/LAWPRO

Cherry Tree Farm Pett Road Stockbury Kent ME9 7RL

Lawful Development Certificate for the Proposed siting of a mobile home within the garden on a hard surface.

Application Refused

The Council hereby REFUSES to grant your application dated 13.10.2023 for a certificate of lawful use or development for operations or matters described above in the First Schedule in respect of the land specified in the Second Schedule.

The grounds for refusal are:

(1) The submitted plans show the caravan sited outside the residential curtilage of the property known as Cherry Tree Farm. As such full planning permission would be required. Therefore, for the purposes of S192 (1)(a), the proposal is not lawful within the meaning of S191(2) of the Town and Country Planning Act as amended.

23/504296/FULL

Land Adjoining on The East Side Of Pelistry Hill Green Road Stockbury Sittingbourne Kent

Change of use of land from paddock to equestrian land including the erection of a field shelter for storage of large equipment and to keep Alpaca for private and leisure purposes (Retrospective).

Application Permitted

c. Appeals

No matters to report.

d. Other Planning Matters

No matters to report.

9. **Financial Matters:**

a. Statement of Accounts & Cheques for signature.

To consider the Financial Statement circulated with meeting papers.

b. 2024/2025 Budget and Precept.

To consider the 2024/2025 Budget and agree the Precept.

MBC do not publish the Band D guidance until the end of December; therefore, the budget and precept should be formally considered at the January 2024 PC Meeting when the Band D calculations are available.

10. **External Reports:**

a. Parish Councillors.

b. KCC Councillor.

c. MBC Councillor.

11. **Correspondence Report.**

To consider any correspondence received.

Kent Local Flood Risk Management Strategy 2024-2034: Consultation information

KCC, as Lead Local Flood Authority (LLFA), has an overview role for local flood, which is flooding that arises from surface runoff, ordinary watercourses, and groundwater. As LLFA, we have a duty to produce a Local Flood Risk Management Strategy (Local Strategy) that sets out how local flood risks will be managed in the county.

The current Local Strategy (2017-2023) needs to be replaced and we have drafted a new Local Strategy, which we are planning to consult the public and stakeholder organisations on. We are proposing that the next strategy will cover a 10-year period with a review after the first 5 years.

The draft Local Strategy builds upon lessons learnt from the previous strategy. Through it, we aim to improve the safety and wellbeing of Kent's residents and the economy of Kent with appropriate flood risk management. We will do this by working with communities and partners, adapting to climate change, and utilising natural processes to provide multiple benefits, where possible.

The draft Local Strategy retains the objectives of the previous strategy, which are 'Understanding flood risk', 'Reduce the risk of flooding', 'Resilient planning', and 'Resilient communities'. The actions proposed to achieve the objectives have been updated.

The draft local strategy was discussed at the Kent Flood Risk and Water Management committee meeting on the 14th November 2023, the papers and webcast can be seen [here](#).

The consultation on the draft Local Strategy will open on the 22nd November 2023 and run until the 30th January 2024. The consultation can be found at www.kent.gov.uk/localfloodrisk, where you can let us know your views by completing the online questionnaire.

Please share details of this consultation with any organisations or contacts you feel have an interest in the Local Strategy.

If you have any questions or queries relating to the Local Strategy or the consultation you can email us at flood@kent.gov.uk.

12. Stockbury Bus.

To receive a report on the Stockbury Bus.

13. Stockbury Orchard.

To receive a report on the Stockbury Orchard.

14. Stockbury Observer.

To receive a report on the Stockbury Observer.

15. KALC Community Award.

We are delighted to announce that we have now launched the 2024 KALC Community Awards Scheme, with support from Kent County Council, the High Sheriff of Kent, and the Mayor of Medway. This follows a very successful 2023 Awards Scheme, which was adopted by 79 member Councils.

The Award Winners receive a Framed Certificate. The Council can decide whether to present something extra to their winner.

The Council would then need to submit its Nomination to manager@kentalc.gov.uk by Friday 2nd February 2024.

16. Any Other Business.

To consider any other business not requiring a resolution.

17. Date of next Meeting – 17th January 2024.

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