

STOCKLINCH PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of Parish Council Meeting held on
Monday, 24th November, 2014 at 8.00 p.m. in the Village Hall

1. Welcome and Apologies:

Present: Brian Faulkner (Chairman); Rob Rainbow; Rosie Gallagher; Paul Stewart; Alan Speed; Ursula McKinlay (Clerk);
Derek Yeomans (District Council)
Christopher Le Hardy (County Council)

Apologies: Ros Harding (Vice-Chair); Alison Corr

2. Declarations of Interest: None

3. Minutes of Previous Meetings:

Minutes of general meeting 29/9/14 were taken as read and signed by the Chairman.

4. Finance Statement:

- Ursula reported that since the last meeting there had been no activity on the **Current account** the balance remaining at £510.38
Reserve account £2605.15 (including 44p interest)!

5. Highways:

- Potholes remain an issue. Alan stated some had been filled in on Winsmore Hill but two large ones in Stoney lane need to be dealt with. Ursula said she would contact Highways Dept. Rob commented on the road edges being equally dangerous.
- Beacon Hill, Ilminster – Christopher reported that it was planned that the road would be open before Christmas this year which hopefully would alleviate the problem of additional traffic coming through Stocklinch.
- Paul reported that due to the fact there is no road sign for 'Owl Street' there had been instances when ambulances when called to the village had inadvertently gone to 'Owl Street Lane' causing delay to patients. Ursula agreed to contact the Council with a request that a sign for 'Owl Street' be placed outside 'The Grove' to avoid ongoing confusion.
- Rosie stated the drains outside 'Home farm', corner of Stoney lane were overflowing and in the event of a freeze would be dangerous to both pedestrians and road traffic. Brian agreed to report this to Wessex water.
- Brian confirmed he had collected 20KG bags of de-icing material from the Highways depot in Yeovil. Pick up points in Stocklinch would be Manor farm, Owl Street and Brakes farm, Stoney lane.

6. Matters of Report:

- **Planning Application:** 14/04230/LBC Mr. & Mrs. Day
Old Post Office
Ursula reported proposal for removal of existing rear lean-to with replacement of timber frame and clad extension plus alterations to first floor had been approved.
- **Rights of Way** – report of signpost having been removed from footpath to Puckington
- **Crime Report** - report of arson at Old Orchard Close, Ilton.

7, Correspondence:

- **District Council report** – Derek gave a comprehensive overview of District issues including – 20 year Flood action plan Somerset levels and Moors; and Adult Social Care.
- **County Council report** – Christopher gave an overview of County issues including Health & Wellbeing fund to help Children in Care and had Stocklinch charity 'Handprints & Footprints' in mind for assistance.
 - 111 Service contract awarded; new single number proposed for access to Councils
 - Funding for dualing of A303/358 approved by the government.
 - Broad band access still in progress
- **Somerset Library Service:** the future of Somerset Library Services under review and local Parishes encouraged to submit feedback on-line. Ursula said she would stress the need for this amenity.
- **Local Bus Services** – views from Somerset groups requested regarding subsidized local bus services. Ursula said she would respond on-line.
- Information on audio/visual recordings/photos of meetings (placed in circulation box)
- Digital Access in revenues and benefits service (placed on village hall notice-board and circulation box)
- Availability of locations to view Modifications to South Somerset Local Plan 2006-2028 (placed in circulation box).

Date & Time of next meeting

The date for the next general Parish Council meeting was scheduled for Monday, 12 January, 2015.

Meeting Adjourned at: 8.45 p.m.

