

STOCKLINCH PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of Parish Council Meeting held on
Monday, 29th September, 2014 at 8.00 p.m. in the Village Hall

1. Welcome and Apologies:

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

Apologies: Ros Harding (Vice-Chair)

2. Declarations of Interest: None

3. Minutes of Previous Meetings:

Minutes of general meeting 28/7/14 and Xtra-Ordinary meeting 26/8/14 were taken as read and signed by the Chairman.

4. Finance Statement/Accounts Payable:

- Ursula presented finance statement as at 30/9/14 current account £510.19 Reserve account £2604.71 and reported the annual report had been returned, approved, by the external auditor, with no issues raised.

5. Matters of Report

• **District Council Report:**

Derek outlined current issues including waste management and adult social care; with regard to the flooding of last winter, he reported that dredging of the river Parrott was underway; In addition Derek stated a cheque for £750 had been presented to the Stocklinch charity 'Horseshoes & Handprints' from the Health & Wellbeing grant fund.

• **County Council Report:**

Christopher outlined current issues including:
Highways - A358/A303 now priority for funding of improvements.
Hinckley Point – County Councillors' tour of site
Flood Defence projects –
Broadband update -
School meals – free school meals now in effect

Highways: Brian reported that together with Ursula and Alan, a site visit was undertaken with a Highways Department engineer outlining the increased traffic through the village due to the closure of Beacon Hill. In addition the issue of heavy vehicles being wrongly routed by sat-navs up Stoney Lane was addressed. Following this visit, Highways have committed to additional diversion signs, in particular on the A303, to forewarn motorists of the closure to ensure they use the diversion route prior to committing themselves into Ilminster, and consequently through Stocklinch.. With regard to HGV traffic anyone disregarding the 7.5st weight limit should be dealt with by the police!

Rights of Way : Ursula stated a hole in the middle of bridleway - path reference CH24/16 had been reported.

Crime Report: No crimes reported in Stocklinch

6. **Correspondence** relating to the following items placed in the circulation box:
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Somerset Wildlife Trust;
South West Resilience Campaign;
Somerset Waste Partnership September Report;
SALC annual report 2014.

(Including reports from Christopher Le Hardy and Derek Yeomans)

The date for the next general Parish Council meeting was scheduled for Monday, November, 24th, 2014.

Meeting Adjourned at: 8.35 p.m.

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