



# Stalbridge Town Council Meetings

## Town Council Meeting Minutes

Approved minutes of a meeting of the Town Council Meeting held on Monday 12<sup>th</sup> July 2023. (Held at The Hub Commencing at 7 p.m.)

### Councillors present at the meeting:

K Garland (Chair), D Andrews, P Hancock, H Hatcher, B Penfold, N Penny, M Robinson & V Zarucki

### Clerk for the meeting:

T Watson

Apologies had been received from G Carr-Jones (Dorset Councillor)

J Wardell ROWLO / TC Auditor was present

There were 7 members of the public present.

Open Forum:

L Lovell queried the reason for bungalows on the site adjacent to Pond Walk. Clerk advised due to covenant on the land. Requested that the TC cover the cost of removal of green waste from the land at the rear of the hall / newly constructed croquet lawn.

R Thomson queried the sale of the land adjacent to Pond Walk by Dorset Council to no benefit of the town.

F Truscott-pain – Need for improved community engagement

Chris Nelson (Wessex Internet) addressed the meeting regarding the company providing full fibre broadband to the home.

### 1. To receive apologies

None.

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

K Garland item 13a in relation to the payment to IK Services.

### 3. To approve the minutes of the meetings held on 14th & 26th June 2023

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

### 4. Town Clerks report & Correspondence

Clerks report

Milk vending machine – Will now be removed on the 31<sup>st</sup> not the 17<sup>th</sup> July.

Report on a wasp's nest on the land adjacent to the hub – Turned out to be bees enjoying the tree pollen so left alone.

Woodmills trees – Requested DC carry out works on low branches.

Vegetation blocking the public footpath on Barrow Hill – reported to Sovereign 26<sup>th</sup> June. Made complaint on web site 10<sup>th</sup> July.

Overgrown vegetation on footpath N51/4 Barrow Hill to Pond Walk - Reported to Sovereign 26<sup>th</sup> June. Made complaint on web site 10<sup>th</sup> July.

Play area remedial works in relation to the annual inspections – placed works order.

Application P/RES/2023/03735 Erect 9 No. dwellings. (Reserved matters application to determine access, appearance, landscaping, layout and scale, following the grant of Outline Planning Permission No. 2/2018/0372/OUT). Land At E373160 N117864 – requested extension for comment to the 17<sup>th</sup> August full council meeting.

Flagpole on The Ring – The rope has broken cherry picker may be required to retrieve the rope from the top.

Correspondence

Wessex internet Chris Nelson - Community Engagement Manager  
St Marys PCC – letter of thanks for grant.

**5. To receive Town Councillors reports.**

None.

**6. To receive the Dorset Councillors report.**

Paper report received.

**7. Youth services in Stalbridge**

**K Garland**

**a. To receive an update**

K Garland advised that unfortunately the lone applicant for the senior Youth worker interview had withdrawn.

**b. To sign the contract with Youth Connect South West**

**RESOLVED: To sign the contract at a later date subject to confirmed start date, employment of youth leaders and adjusted costs.**

**8. For the Town Council to approach DC highways regarding traffic regulation orders:**

**P Hancock**

- **The junction between the A357 and Dikes car park access road**
- **The junction between Station Road and the town's main car park**
- **The A357 (Church Hill)**

**WITHDRAWN:**

**9. To receive a grant funding application from the Guggleton Farm Arts CIC for the Guggleheads project and give further instruction.**

The target age range appeared to differ in the three documents: Project outline 0-18, Community and Culture Project Fund Round 5 application 5-18 and the TC grant application, primary school age.

Whilst members appreciated the spirit of the project in accordance with the Town Councils statutory powers and duties it is important that should financial support be awarded the project must be open to all primary school age children who reside in Stalbridge.

**RESOLVED:** To award a grant of £1,000 to the Guggleton Farm Arts CIC for the Guggleheads Project summer 2023 subject to :

- The Community and Culture Project Fund Round 5 application being successful.
- The project being open solely to all primary school age children residing in Stalbridge in conjunction with the Town Council statutory powers and duties.
- A project conclusion report being present to Council on completion.

**10. Town Future Vision Project:**

- a. To appoint Town Council members to the portfolio titles

**DEFERRED:**

**11. To approve the June 2023 edition of the Town Council newsletter.**

**RESOLVED:** To approve the June 2023 edition of the Town Council newsletter.

**12. Planning**

- a. Recent planning decisions of Dorset Council

P/LBC/2023/00973 Internal refurbishment and erect new porch. Lower Farm Pile Lane to Lower Farm Lane Stalbridge Weston Dorset DT10 2LA

Granted 28.06.23.

P/FUL/2023/01622 Erection of a new commercial building, amended plans (uses B8 and E) Unit 1 Gibbs Marsh Trading Estate Stalbridge DT10 2RY.

Granted 04.07.23.

P/LBC/2023/02273 Carry out internal alterations The Old House Gold Street Stalbridge Dorset DT10 2LX.

Granted 19.06.23.

P/RES/2022/06181 Erect 114 No. dwellings and a commercial building providing 2,000 square metres of employment space, carry out works to form associated infrastructure and public open space. (Reserved matters application to determine appearance, landscaping, layout and scale, following the grant of Outline Planning Permission No. APP/D1265/W/20/3265743 (LPA Ref. 2/2020/0406/OUT); and the discharge of Condition Nos. 5 (Highway Layout), 6 (Cycle Parking), 11 (Residential Travel Plan), 12 (Commercial Travel Plan), 15 (Ecological Enhancement) and 23 (Electric Vehicle Charing Scheme) of Outline Planning Permission APP/D1265/W/20/3265743. Land South Of The Paddocks Lower Road Stalbridge Dorset

Granted 30.06.23.

P/LBC/2023/00973 Amendments- Internal refurbishment and erect new porch. Lower Farm Pile Lane To Lower Farm Lane Stalbridge Weston Dorset DT10 2LA

Granted 28.06.23.

P/TRC/2023/03112 T1 - Ash - Remove to ground level as in decline due to Ash dieback- information only 21 Stalbridge Close - land adjacent Stalbridge DT10 2ND.

Granted 05.07.23.

**b. Report on responses to planning consultations**

None

**c. Appeals and matters of report from previous applications**

None

**d. Members planning matters of report**

None.

**e. Pre application consultation for the development of 9 residential properties at Pond Walk, Stalbridge**

It was noted that this was superseded by application P/RES/2023/03735. A extension has been requested to the next TCM 16.08.23.

**13. Finance.**

**a. To receive a list of payments**

**RESOLVED: Payment & receipts list received**

**b. To receive the quarterly financial report ending 30.06.23**

**DEFERRED: To the August meeting**

**14. The next meeting of the Town Council will be on Wednesday 16th August 2023**

There being no further business the Meeting closed at 20.42 pm.

Approved 16/08/2023

Signed.....

Chairman