

Minutes of Stocking Pelham Parish Council Annual Meeting held on 17 May 2022 Village Hall at 7.15pm

Present: Cllrs Louise Balaam, Colin Berthoud, Michael Hutchins (Chairman) and Tony Southam

In attendance: R Berthoud, Parish Clerk and two members of the public

- 22/27 Election of Chairman**
To elect a Chairman for the year 2022/23 and sign Declaration of Acceptance of Office
Resolved, proposed Cllr Berthoud, seconded Cllr Southam to elect Michael Hutchins as chairman for the year 2022/23. Unanimously agreed.
Cllr Hutchins duly signed the acceptance of office.
- 22/28 Election of Vice-Chairman**
To elect a Vice-Chairman for the year 2022/23 and sign Declaration of Acceptance of Office
Resolved, proposed Cllr Southam, seconded Cllr Balaam to elect Daniel Horn as vice chairman for the year 2022/23. Unanimously agreed.
Cllr Horn to sign the acceptance of office prior to the next meeting of the parish council.
- 22/29 Apologies**
To receive and accept apologies for absence
Cllr Horn – work commitments.
- 22/30 Interests**
a) To receive declarations of interest from councillors on items on the agenda
b) To receive written requests for dispensations for declarable interests; and
c) To grant any requests for dispensation as appropriate None
None to a-c above.
- 22/31 Minutes**
To confirm the Minutes of Stocking Pelham Parish Council Meeting held on 5 April 2022 and Extraordinary Meeting held on 5 May 2022 as an accurate record of the proceedings.
Resolved, that the minutes be agreed as a true and accurate record of the proceedings and be duly signed by the Chairman. Unanimously agreed.
- 22/32 Public Issues**
Members of the public can raise matters of concern. (This item is limited to 15 minutes)

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Updates from Councillors

a) Chairman's update

b) Village Hall – Cllr Hutchins

The pre-school is oversubscribed and thriving. The village hall is not for hire by organisations outside the village.

c) Playground – Cllr Balaam

There are plans to extend the playground facilities. Cllr Balaam is investigating zip wire options. Visual inspection of playground equipment carried out daily by the Chairman.

d) Highways – Cllr Horn

e) Planning – Cllr Southam

I. Update on current applications

3/22/0494/HH Sweetfield Cottage, SG9 0JB

Approved by East Herts

3/22/0806/FUL Construction and operation of a BESS and associated infrastructure, Land off Crabbs Lane and Pelham Substation

The parish council has objected.

II. New applications

f) The Cock Inn – Cllr Berthoud

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Finance

a) To receive annual financial statement 2021/22. Received.

b) To receive Internal Auditor Report 2021/22. Received.

c) To approve AGAR Section 1 Annual Governance Statement 2021/22

Resolved, proposed Cllr Hutchins, seconded Cllr Berthoud to approve AGAR Section 1 Annual Governance Statement 2021/22. Unanimously agreed.

d) To approve AGAR Section 2 Accounting Statements 2021/22

Resolved, proposed Cllr Balaam, seconded Cllr Berthoud to approve AGAR Section 2 Accounting Statements 2021/22. Unanimously agreed.

e) To approve AGAR Certificate of Exemption 2021/22

Resolved, proposed Cllr Southam, seconded Cllr Balaam to approve AGAR Certificate of Exemption 2021/22. Unanimously agreed.

f) To note the period for the exercise of public rights 2021/22

Noted.

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Council Documents

To consider, review and agree council documents

a) Code of Conduct

b) Standing Orders

c) Financial Regulations

All of the above documents reviewed and agreed.

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Clerk's notices

For information only

None.

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Next Meeting

To agree date and suggest agenda items for the next Meeting of the Parish Council

Next meeting to be arranged when needed.

Meeting finished at 20.05.