



Stock Parish Council

The Tythe Barn, High Street, Stock, Essex. CM4 9BU

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MINUTES
of meeting held at the
Tythe Barn
on 20th May 2024

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A working group meeting was convened on Monday 20th May 2024 at 6.30pm at the Tythe Barn to discuss Councillor delegated duties. Whilst it is agreed help each other on Parish Council tasks it is acknowledged that each duty requires a lead.

Councillors attending the meeting were: P. Fenwick, S Clark, J. Pye, R. Pritchard, M. Eade and M.Rolph. Apologies were received from all other Councillors.

Agreed delegates:

- SpeedWatch: M Rolph / (G Fulham)
- Where does the Water go?: M Rolph
- Public Works and Service: M Rolph / J Pye
- Clerk: M Rolph / M Gray
- Speeding & Parking: J Pye / M Gray
- Highways: M Gray / J Pye
- Open Spaces & Events: S Clark / M Baker
- Litter Pick: M Rolph / (G Fulham)
- Road Safety: M Baker
- Finance: M Eade
- Neighbourhood Plan: P Fenwick / P McAllister
- Public Relation & Media: R Pritchard

Footpaths: it was agreed to share this duty. Councillors are requested to adopt a footpath(s) to monitor and report any issues eg. fallen trees, broken stiles. Please consult the Stock Village map for footpaths (Grace and I have plenty if you need one).



The meeting continued with Councillors expressing their concern at the behaviour of residents E Miller and K Spiller at the Council meeting on 14th May (as reported in the minutes of that meeting). Whilst their behaviour has been generally disruptive at meetings, and their bombardment of emails and telephone calls to the Clerk has led to her resignation, the disruption at the last meeting was particularly distressing resulting in a number of written complaints from other members of the public attending the meeting. S Clark reported that she had contacted CCC Monitoring Department expressing her distress at the behaviour of E. Miller and K. Spiller. Monitoring advised that

SPC make Public Participation at meetings more controlled by bringing in a policy of only accepting questions from the public if they have previously emailed said question to the Council at least 3 days before a meeting. The member of public delivering the question should be allowed up to 2 minutes to present the query. Monitoring further advised that this should be a general published policy eg. SPC Website, but should be hard copy notified directly to ensure they are fully aware of the new policy. It is hoped that this policy should aid better behaviour from the public at Council meetings. M Rolph agreed to draft such letter for Councillors review. It was also agreed to send the letters of complaint from the public to Monitoring to file for future reference.

The meeting closed.

A handwritten signature, possibly 'M Rolph', is written in black ink. To the right of the signature, the date '09/07/2024' is written in a similar style. The signature and date are connected by a long horizontal line.