

STOCKSBRIDGE TOWN COUNCIL

Minutes of a Meeting of the Stocksbridge Town Council, held in the Council Chamber,
Town Hall, Stocksbridge, on Thursday, 8th January 2026

PRESENT: Cllr. J Staniforth (Chair); Cllrs. J Grocutt, L Fox.

IN ATTENDANCE: Cllr. J Booker
1 member of the public

162. To Receive Chair's Remarks and Apologies for Absence
Apologies for absence were received from Cllrs. J Wheeler, K Davis, A Law, R Crowther and C Wilson.
163. Exclusion of the Press and Public
There were no items for exclusion of the press and public.
164. Declarations of Interest
There were no declarations of interest.
165. Public Questions and Petitions
There were no public questions and petitions.
166. To Receive Remarks from the Minutes of the Town Council meeting held on 11th December 2025
Item 150 - The Clerk reported that she had raised this member of the public's question with J Cadman, the Communications Officer for Stocksbridge Towns Fund.
167. To Approve as a True and Correct Record the Minutes of the Town Council meeting held on 11th December 2025
Minutes of the Meeting of the Town Council held on 11th December 2025, copies of which had been circulated prior to the meeting were taken as read.
Proposed by Cllr. J Grocutt, seconded by Cllr. L Fox and
RESOLVED:- That the minutes be confirmed and signed by the Chair.
168. Finances - To Receive and Approve Monthly Financial Statements including Budget Monitoring
The Clerk reported that the details of the Monthly Financial Statements had been previously circulated.
Proposed by Cllr. J Grocutt, seconded by Cllr. L Fox and
RESOLVED:- That the Town Council accept details of the Monthly Financial Statements including Budget Monitoring information for December 2025 as supplied by the Clerk.
169. Correspondence
Yorkshire Local Councils Associations
The Clerk reported that she had received correspondence from YLCA including:-
- Weekly News and Notifications – 12th December 2025

- Weekly News and Notifications – 18th December 2025

Sheffield Plan

The Clerk reported that she had received correspondence from Sheffield City Council informing of an opportunity for people to review and comment on a suite of documents relating to the Sheffield Plan, which are available for comment until Thursday 11th December.

SYMCA Transport System Media Release

The Clerk reported that she had received correspondence from the South Yorkshire Mayoral Combined Authority's (SYMCA) regarding a press release asking people across the region to share their views on the transport system.

CPRE (Campaign to Protect Rural England)

The Clerk reported that she had received correspondence from CPRE with updates regarding the local countryside.

SYMCA - TravelMaster Price Increases

The Clerk reported that she had received correspondence from SYMCA informing of TravelMaster price increases from Sunday 4th January 2026.

SYMCA – First Bus Price Increases

The Clerk reported that she had received correspondence from SYMCA informing of First Bus price increases from Sunday 4th January 2026.

SYMCA – Stagecoach Price Increases

The Clerk reported that she had received correspondence from SYMCA informing of Stagecoach price increases from Sunday 4th January 2026.

SYMCA – Public Transport Fare Freezes & Cuts

The Clerk reported that she had received correspondence from SYMCA informing of public transport fare freezes and cuts from 1st January 2026.

SYMCA – Sheffield Road Bridge Repairs

The Clerk reported that she had received correspondence from SYMCA informing of changes to Supertram services on 10th and 11th January 2026.

SYMCA – The Great British Rail Sale 2026

The Clerk reported that she had received correspondence from SYCMA informing of the government's annual Great British Rail Sale, taking place from 6th-12th January.

170. Clerk's Reports

The Clerk reported that she had attended the CAG meeting on 8th January and informed members that works had been carried out at the Youth Centre and that she had suggested inviting the Mayor, Cllr K Davis, to promote the mural. The Clerk also informed members that Acting Police Sgt C Shepherd has informed of an increase in officers in the area in the coming months.

171. To Receive Verbal Reports from Members

a) Cllr. JG reported that she had attending a meeting with the manager of Stocksbridge Community Leisure Centre, St Ann's 'Proud to Be Me' Assembly, and a meeting at the Christian Centre.

b) Cllr. LF informed that L Hible had cleared the paths around Stocksbridge Community Leisure Centre, and reported that she would like to get more involved in local groups.

172. To Consider Planning Applications and receive the Decisions of the Sheffield Planning and Highways Committee

25/03465/FUL (Formerly PP-14507229)	Land Opposite 9 To 15, New Street, Stocksbridge	Erection of a dwellinghouse
25/03518/FUL	Stocksbridge Library 519 Manchester Road	Demolition of existing buildings, erection of 3-4 storey building comprising library (Use Class F1), flexible community space, cafe and office space (Use Class E), with secure cycle store and associated ancillary space, hard and soft landscaping and associated works (Application under Section 73 to vary condition nos. 2 (approved plans); 5 and 6 (drainage); 9 (highway works); 16 (external materials and finishes); 17 (large scale details); 23 (landscaping); 24 (bin storage); 25 (cycle storage); and 26 (ecological mitigation); of planning permission 23/04037/FUL) (Application under Regulation 3)
25/03618/FUL	More Hall Grange Cottage More Hall Lane	Erection of pre-manufactured oak framed shed on face brick plinth, with cedar shingle roof within the curtilage of dwellinghouse

The undermentioned planning applications have been Granted:-

25/03517/NMA	Land East Of The River Don And To The South West Of Station Road Deepcar	Application to allow change to roof tiles to thin flat roof tiles (amendment to planning permission 22/04337/FUL)
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The undermentioned planning applications have been Granted Conditionally:-

25/03028/FUL	Stocksbridge Christ Church Manchester Road	Siting of a shipping container to part of the car parking area
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25/02008/FUL	Land Adjacent Ford House 4 Fox Valley Way	Demolition of Unit C5 and erection of a retail unit with access, servicing, plant, parking, landscaping and associated works
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The undermentioned planning application has been Granted Condition Application Decided:-

22/02303/COND4	Land Between Hollin Busk Road And Broomfield Grove And Broomfield Lane	Application to approve details in relation to condition no(s) 6 (Drainage), 7 (Land Contamination), 8 (Remediation Strategy), 13 and 14 (Highways Improvements) as imposed by 22/02303/OUT and appeal decision APP/J4423/W/23/3325851
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173. Recreation & Environment Committee Members discussed Minutes of the Recreation & Environment Committee of the Town Council, held on 6th January 2026, copies of which had been previously circulated.

Proposed by Cllr. J Grocutt, seconded by Cllr. L Fox and

RESOLVED:- (i) that the minutes of the Recreation & Environment Committee be accepted.

174. Finance Committee Members discussed Minutes of the Finance Committee of the Town Council, held on 6th January 2026, copies of which had been previously circulated.

Proposed by Cllr. J Grocutt, seconded by Cllr. L Fox and

RESOLVED:- (i) that the minutes of the Finance Committee be accepted.

175. Accounts for Authorisation

Proposed by Cllr. J Grocutt, seconded by Cllr. L Fox and

RESOLVED:- (i) That payments be authorised in settlement of the undermentioned accounts as recommended by the Finance Committee on 6th January 2026:-

		£	<u>Made Under Power</u>
Salaries/Tax/NI/Pensions	January 2026	4159.55	LGA72(S111)
Facility Maintenance Solns	Monthly Water Monitoring	10.30	LGA72(S14P9)
Look Local	Advertisement – Xmas Party	123.60	LGA72(S111)

(ii) That payments be authorised in settlement of the undermentioned accounts as recommended by the Finance Committee on 6th January 2026:-

		£	<u>Made Under Power</u>
Facility Maintenance Solns	Monthly Water Monitoring – ARC	20.60	LGA72(S111)
ITI Electrical Services	PAT Testing	180.00	LGA72(S111)
NRC Services	Cleaning Charges	810.48	LGA72(S111)
A Holden	Window Cleaning Charges	60.00	LGA72(S111)
Ashton Alarms	CCTV Maintenance Contract	252.00	LGA72(S111)
Viking	Microwave	89.99	LGA72(S111)

(iii) That authority be given for Direct Debits paid in settlement of the undermentioned accounts:-

December 2025:-		£	<u>Made Under Power</u>
Sheffield City Council	Business Rates – Toilets	57.00	LGA72(S111)
Sheffield City Council	Business Rates – ARC	586.00	LGA72(S111)
Sheffield City Council	Business Rates – History Society	43.00	LGA72(S111)
Sheffield City Council	Business Rates – ARC Room 10	196.00	LGA72(S111)
British Gas Lite	Electricity Charges – Xmas Tree (precinct)	15.34	LGA72(S111)
MJRCC	Broadband/Phone Charges	44.72	LGA72(S111)
MJRCC	Computer Charges	31.20	LGA72(S111)
Siemens Financial Services	Photocopier Lease	147.02	LGA72(S111)
Intuit Ltd	Quickbooks Package	19.20	LGA72(S111)
Moorepay	Payroll Charges	76.87	LGA72(S111)
EDF	Electricity Charges – ARC – Nov	735.84	LGA72(S111)
Veolia	Waste Removal Charges	114.98	LGA72(S111)

Chair