

STANTON UPON HINE HEATH PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES of the Annual Parish Meeting held on **Tuesday 4th April 2023** via Zoom at **7.00pm**.

PRESENT: Councillor T Gurney (Chairman)
In Attendance: Councillors C Warren
C Crackett
D Dee
S Barrett
M Moore
A Burden
Katrina Baker (Clerk)

582.23C Welcome

The Chairman welcomed everyone to the meeting and thanked them for attending. This is a meeting of the residents of the Parish and despite being held by zoom, no residents were in attendance. Members agreed that the 2024 APM will revert to a meeting in the Village Hall, and a guest speaker will be invited.

583.23C Apologies

To receive and approve any apologies for absence, under Section 85 (i) of LGA 1972.

PC Andy King

Councillor Paul Gill, Hodnet Division, SC LT

Lt Cdr Peter Richardson, RAF Shawbury

Councillor Ian Yeadon

Work Commitments

Received after the meeting

584.23C Parish Council Annual Report

A copy of the Chairman's Annual report had been circulated and will be available on the website. Copies can be requested.

585.23C Financial Report

The Clerk reported that the Parish Council held a balance of £31,528.55 on 1st April 2022 and £10,000 is invested in a Barclays Reserve Account for the Free Reserve.

During the year, £12,712.68 was received from the Precept and a Highways Maintenance Grant, plus a small amount of bank interest.

The total expenditure had been £15,121.98, which included a pre-payment to Shropshire Council for the 2023/24 RoSPA inspections.

At the end of March, the total balance was £29,119.25. A copy of the Bank Reconciliation had been circulated and will appear on the website with details of all expenditure over £100.

Members were aware of the current financial situation for many and therefore due consideration was given to the funding required to fulfil the roles and responsibilities of the Parish Council in 2023/24. Unfortunately, a small increase had been unavoidable and the precept had been set at £11,563.00. Details of the budget are available on the website or available direct on request.

586.23C Local Groups and Organisations

a) Stanton Village Hall

A copy of the report from the Management Committee had been circulated to all Members.

A copy of the report is available on the website.

b) St Andrew's Church

A copy of the report had been circulated to all Members, and a copy would appear on the website.

c) RAF Shawbury

LT Cdr Richardson had provided a report which will appear on the website.

587.22C

Shropshire Council

Councillor Gill had provided a report which had been circulated and would appear on the website.

588.22C

West Mercia Police

Thanks were recorded to PC Alan Ambrose who had attended many meetings and arranged for the mobile police station to visit Stanton Village prior to his retirement. His position is due to be filled and we look forward to working with our new PC in the near future. It is hoped that regular visits will be possible and that these could include a 'wander around the villages'.

589.23C

King's Coronation

Two working group meetings had taken place and a format for the events on Sunday 7th May had been agreed. There will be a service at St Andrews Church followed by an event on the Village Green (and Village Hall).

This event is for all members of the community from around the Parish to come together to celebrate this important occasion.

The Parish Council is keen to support activities planned in other areas of the Parish where possible.

The posters are now displayed and it is hoped that a flyer can be created from the poster for Members to distribute around the parish.

Bookings for the afternoon BBQ are necessary – please contact Catherine at The Stanton Arms.

590.23C

Parish Matters

The Chairman invited members to share information and ideas or to ask any questions.

a) Stanton Upon Hine Heath Village Hall

Thanks were extended to the Village Hall Committee, for enabling a storage locker to be available for the Village Litter-picking equipment.

The Parish Council also recorded its thanks for the use of the Village Hall for meetings, at no cost – this is much appreciated.

b) Parish Roadman Project

Members are keen to get this project up and running and it was agreed to contact local residents who had previously indicated their wish to help as volunteers. This will appear on the next Full Council agenda for consideration – it may be necessary to hire the services of a local contractor to help with some of the tasks identified as part of the scheme.

c) Mobile Goal Post

A children's mobile goal post is to be provided for use on the Village Green.

d) Weekly Inspections of the children's play area

it is a requirement of RoSPA that the area is visually inspected weekly, and any issues must be recorded, a form is available. It was agreed that this would be a 'joint effort' and that forms will be completed as and when and submitted to the Clerk so that any necessary action can be taken.

591.23C

Date of the Next Meeting

2nd May 2023 Annual General Meeting 7.00pm Stanton Village Hall
Followed by the May meeting

There being no further business, the Chairman closed the meeting at 7.35pm thanking everyone for attending and for their important contributions.

SignedDate

E&OE

These minutes are Draft and will remain, for information only, until agreed as a true record at the next Full Council meeting on 2nd May 2023.