



Stanton Upon Hine Heath Parish Council

**MINUTES** of the monthly Meeting held **on Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> July 2024** in Stanton Village Hall at **7.00pm**.

**PRESENT:** Councillors M Moore  
C Warren  
S Barrett  
I Yeadon  
A Burden

**In attendance:** Katrina Baker (Clerk)  
Councillor P Gill, Shropshire Council  
Lt Cdr Peter Richardson, RAF Shawbury

**032.24 Welcome**  
Councillor Moore welcomed everyone to the meeting.  
There were no members of the public in attendance.

#### **Shropshire Council**

Councillor Gill gave a short report as it has been quiet due to purdah. A Leader's Update had confirmed that the service level reviews are continuing as they look to increase income, control costs and consider assets.

Victoria Doran (Highways) has moved to a new position – we await the name of her replacement.

#### **RAF Shawbury**

##### **Night Flying**

The current flying period is due to continue until 18<sup>th</sup> July. Night flying periods are usually for seven weeks with three weeks in between periods. There will be posts on the RAF Shawbury Facebook/Twitter advising on the night flying periods and we are grateful for the tolerance of this essential training. There is also information on the RAF Shawbury webpage with contact details for complaints. As the days are longer at this time of year night flying will commence later, typically 30 mins after sunset and may continue until 02:30.

##### **Airfield Works**

We are anticipating details of the transport management plan shortly. In meetings with the contractors we have stressed limiting impact on the surrounding villages wherever possible. The contractor is planning to use local companies where possible.

##### **Upcoming Events**

Events still to come are: RAF Shawbury Families Day 22<sup>nd</sup> August and Annual Reception 26<sup>th</sup> September. Families Day is only open to families of personnel who work at RAF Shawbury.

##### **Hi-Viz for horse riders**

We are anticipating a delivery of stock anytime and will advise through our usual channels when we have the new stock.

##### **Drones**

If anyone flies a drone/model aircraft locally we recommend the Drone Code which is available on the CAA website. There are restrictions near all airfields, civil and military, regarding the flying of drones and model aircraft.

### **Aries Magazine**

The Summer edition (2024 Edition 2) is now available online at the link - <https://www.rafmags.co.uk/>.

### **Course Community Projects**

We have recently refreshed our list of possible projects, but are always keen to hear of new ideas. Typically, our trainees are available to help for a day. Please be flexible with dates as time for course projects is timetabled and we cannot easily change dates.

### **West Mercia Police**

Members of the SNT had sent their apologies, however, the most recent newsletter had been circulated, for information.

**033.24**

### **Apologies**

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

Cllr D Dee                      Work Commitments

Cllr C Crackett              Family Commitments

It was proposed by Councillor Moore and seconded by Councillor Warren, all were in favour and thus it was

**RESOLVED that the apologies from Councillors Crackett and Dee be accepted.**

**034.24**

### **Declarations of Interest & Dispensations**

There were no declarations of interest relating to matters on the Agenda

**035.24**

### **Minutes of the meeting held on 7<sup>th</sup> May 2024**

It was proposed by Councillor Burden and seconded by Councillor Warren that the Minutes of the meeting held on 7<sup>th</sup> May 2024 be signed by the Chairman as a true record.

There were no matters arising, not included on the Agenda.

**036.24**

### **Chairman's Statement**

None

**037.24**

### **Financial Matters**

#### **a) Payments**

It was proposed by Councillor Warren, seconded by Councillor Yeadon, all were in favour and thus it was

**RESOLVED that the following payments be made:**

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| K Baker              | Clerk's Salary         | £264.00 |
| HMRC                 | PAYE                   | £66.00  |
| Scottish Power       | Street Light Energy    | £214.29 |
| Stanton Village Hall | Parish Day Singer      | £160.00 |
| Mrs R                | Parish Day Expenditure | £301.92 |

#### **b) Financial Reports**

The bank reconciliation confirmed a balance of £38,845.30 at the end of June 2024.

#### **c) External Audit**

The Certificate of Exemption has been confirmed.

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### Highways and Transport

- a) Use of Fix My Street  
There are four current issues in the Parish. The use of Fix My Street is to be encouraged – all Members and Residents can use this system to report any ‘requests for action’.
- b) Poor Standard of Pothole Repairs  
Whilst members were concerned regarding the poor standard of such repairs, they were reminded that the CC has a two tier system. Potholes are initially repaired temporarily. Unfortunately, due to the delay in the permanent repair, the temporary one comes out before the job is completed.  
A request for information about the process and timescale will be requested in order that the local residents can understand.
- c) ‘Clean Your Roadsign’ day  
Many roadsigns are unreadable due to grime or overgrown hedges. An article will be included in the newsletter asking people to clean any roadsigns outside of their properties. This will help to keep drivers and pedestrians safer on the roads.

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### Planning

- a) Planning & Development Updates  
The Mill – planning application  
It is understood that this application has, once again, been refused. Members are keen for this application to receive permission – especially due to its history in the village. The Clerk will ask for an update.
- b) New Applications  
24/01951/FUL Side Saddle Barn  
Permission Granted.  
  
24/02167/FUL Coolmoor Farm, Hazles Road  
2 storey extension, conversion of outbuildings for residential use

**RESOLVED to submit comments that whilst Members are not objecting to an extension and other works, but would ask the Planning Officer to ensure that this is not over-development of the site and to ask that the access and condition of the lane be taken into consideration if this application is to be supported.**

040.24

### Environment and Rights of Way

- a) Rights of Way  
There has been a report of Neospora at a local farm which has resulted in a third of the herd being destroyed. This is devastating for any farmer. Neospora can be caught from dog faeces. It is important that people, especially dog walkers, are aware of the dangers and remember to pick up after their dogs at all times. An article will be included in the newsletter and signs will be erected to inform people of the facts.
- b) Motorcross Events  
Thanks would be extended to the Motorcross Committee. The new signs and arrangements for the visitors to the motor cross site appear to be working well.

- 041/24 Projects**
- a) Village Fete  
The event was very successful, although it did rain throughout the afternoon. The food, games and stalls were appreciated. Everyone who attended enjoyed the event. Thanks were extended to the Village Hall Committee and volunteers.
- b) Parish History Project  
Thanks were recorded to Claire Crackett – the display in church was very interesting and should form the start of a project to record more of the Parish History up to present day.  
Members are keen for this project to develop and for conversations to take place with families who have lived here for many years.
- 042/24 Shropshire Association of Local Councils**
- a) Bulletins and Information  
Members are encouraged to read the information sent from SALC.
- b) North Shropshire Area Committee  
Minutes of the recent meeting had been circulated, for information.
- 043/24 Stanton Village Hall**  
Councillors Moore and Barrett updated members on the work undertaken recently. A report had been received regarding essential work needed in the Billiards Room. The VH Management Committee had been informed that members will now pay to use the room and table.  
More volunteers are needed to help on the VH Committee. The Constitution would be checked regarding the future of the Hall if there are insufficient members. Thanks were extended to the Management Committee for the sterling work undertaken. This is much appreciated by the community.
- 044/24 Correspondence**  
All correspondence is circulated to Members throughout the month. There had been no requests for any to appear on the Agenda.
- 045/24 Clerk's Report**
- a) Environmental Grant  
A grant of £750 has been awarded by Shropshire Council for Environmental Maintenance in the Parish. This has been reduced by 50% due to the number of applications received.
- b) Website  
We have been advised that we should work towards a .gov.uk domain and this could be the ideal opportunity to update the website.
- 046/24 Other Matters**  
Parish Council SID project.  
We await details from SC regarding the location for the sockets. One is required on Hazels Road.
- Parliamentary Constituency  
There has been some confusion regarding the boundary changes introduced for the General Election. Stanton Upon Hine Heath Parish is now in the Wrekin Constituency. The Village Hall is the polling station for 4<sup>th</sup> July 2024
- 047/24 Next Meeting**  
3<sup>rd</sup> September 2024                      7pm                      Stanton Village Hall

Signed .....Date .....