



Stanton Upon Hine Heath Parish Council

**MINUTES** of the monthly Meeting held on **Tuesday 1<sup>st</sup> July 2025** in Stanton Village Hall at **7.00pm.** immediately after the Annual Meeting.

**PRESENT:** Councillors I Yeadon  
C Crackett  
C Warren  
L Renton

**In attendance:** Katrina Baker (Clerk)  
Lt Cdr Richardson, RAF Shawbury  
Cllr D Edmunds, SC  
Craig Bethel, Community Resource  
2 PCSOs  
2 members of the public

**040.25 Welcome**

Councillor Yeadon welcomed everyone to the meeting. A warm welcome was extended to Councillor Edmunds, Division Member for Hodnet.

**Public Session**

The following matters were raised by local residents:

- The poor state of village roads
- Inconsiderate parking
- Anti-social behaviour

**RAF Shawbury**

Lt Cdr Richardson added to his report the night flying exercises are continuing. Also, the major works at the Base are on target for an October / November hand-over of the new facilities.

**West Mercia Police**

The chairman welcomed two PCSOs from Market Drayton who explained that the Charter scheme is being revamped and we need to submit priorities every 6 months. PC MacIntosh hopes to attend Parish Council meetings when possible, but as they have 14 parish councils in their area, this is unlikely to be on a regular basis. The Parish Council explained the importance of working with the police and their attendance, so suggested that someone could join the meeting on Teams or Zoom at 7pm for the first item on the agenda.

The police area aware of the issue with parked cars blocking highway and pathways – they need to be informed ‘at the time’ so residents are encouraged to ring into the station and get an incident number.

**Shropshire Council**

The Chairman welcomed Councillor Edmunds to her first meeting. She explained that there had been a lot of training sessions since the elections and the first Full Council Meeting will be on 17<sup>th</sup> July 2025.

Councillor Edmunds was interested to hear how long we have been waiting for some responses and actions to reports made on Fix My Street. She agreed to follow up our communications with the relevant teams at Shropshire Council. We have been requesting a walk about the Parish with highway officers for some time. Councillor Edmunds will follow up various communications and request a visit by the relevant Cabinet Members and officers to observe the poor state of the roads, which are dangerous particularly for cyclists and pedestrians.

### **Community Resource**

Craig Bethel, Rural Housing Enabler, gave a short presentation regarding his role to support parish councils and communities in identifying housing need. Community Resource is a charity and his role is to help boost new affordable homes in a way that also meets the needs of communities – community led schemes started around 10 years ago and identifies gaps in provision for local residents and their families. The presentation will be circulated and added to the website and this will be discussed further at the September meeting.

**041.25**

### **Apologies**

Councillor M Moore	Family Commitments	Accepted
Councillor D Dee	Work Commitments	Accepted
Councillor A Burden	Holiday	Accepted

**042.25**

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

Cllrs Renton & Moore	Members of the Village Hall Committee
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**043/25**

### **Minutes of the meeting held on 6<sup>th</sup> May 2025**

It was proposed by Councillor Warren and seconded by Councillor Crackett that the Minutes of the meeting held on 6<sup>th</sup> May 2025 be signed by the Chairman as a true record. With one abstention all were in favour and thus it was

<b>RESOLVED that the Minutes be signed.</b>
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### **Matters Arising**

None

**044.25**

### **Chairman's Statement**

None

**045.25**

### **History Project**

The Parish Council thanked Tony for his work on this project and congratulated him on the successful Saturday events. A report had been circulated and would appear on the website.

Tony, Claire and Natalie will meet to discuss next steps regarding the collection of memories. Claire will be investigating the website, an interactive map option and visiting the Archives. Ian has a quantity of historical information relating to the Parish Council. Katrina will contact SALC for guidance.

New documents are always welcome – it is hoped to hold another Exhibition in the Village Hall later in the year.

**046.25**

### **Finance and Governance Matters**

#### **a) Financial Reports**

- i) The current balances are £36,504 in the Current Account with £10,321 in the Savings Account.
- ii) £3589.31 has been received as CIL money from Shropshire Council – members will consider what specific project this could be used for.
- iii) PKF Littlejohn, External Auditors, have acknowledged receipt of the Council's Certificate of Exemption which appears on the website with the End of Year Accounts.

**b) Payments**

Details had been circulated prior to the meeting and it was proposed by Councillor Warren, seconded by Councillor Crackett, all were in favour and thus it was

**RESOLVED that the payments, as listed, be authorised.**

Katrina Baker	June Salary	£280	
HMRC	June PAYE	£70	
Starboard	Scribe Accounts Package	£148.32	
R David AAT	Internal Audit Fee	£90	
Leighton Landscapes	Minor Highway Maintenance	£206.09	

**047.25**

**Highways and Transport**

**a) Updates**

It remains frustrating that requests for action remain outstanding and there are significant delays in any action being taken to address areas of concern that have been reported. Councillor Edmunds shared this frustration and agreed to follow up on some correspondence that had been provided to her by other local councils in her Division. Stanton Parish Council still has the desire to introduce a parish roadman (Lengthsman) to work in partnership with Shropshire Council.

**b) Harcourt Mill Lane**

Information had been received to confirm that highway works are to take place in the near future. However, Members believe that some of the other lanes are in a worst state. It would be useful for SC to liaise with local councils regarding priority work in the future.

**048.25**

**Planning**

**a) Planning & Development Updates**

None

**b) New Applications**

25/02060/CPL Rock Farm

Lawful Development Certificate for a single storey garden room.

**RESOLVED to have no comment.**

**c) Other Matters**

None

**049.25**

**Environment and Rights of Way**

**a) Updates**

Members suggested that the Memorial Bench be moved to an improved location away from the Millennium Oak, which also needs to have the Crown lifted.

**050.25**

**Shropshire Association of Local Councils**

**a) Bulletins and Information**

Members are encouraged to read the information sent from SALC.

- b) North Shropshire Area Committee  
Councillor Crackett had represented the Parish Council at the last meeting and had circulated a report. A discussion had taken place regarding the WMP decision that PCSOs should finish at 8pm.

**050.25 Stanton Village Hall**

Lyn Renton update members on recent work which has included tidying the rockery at the side of the Hall. The Hall is currently run by a management committee. Thanks were extended to the Parish Council for enabling additional maintenance around the village hall to be undertaken. There has been a number of private hirings and the Hall does receive income from the use of the Billiards Room, which is available to use by any local residents.

**051.25 Correspondence**

All correspondence is circulated to Members throughout the month.

**052.25 Clerk's Report**

Police Priorities:  
Anti-social behaviour  
Parking and obstructions  
Speeding

**Councillor's Reports**

None

**053.25 Other Matters**

None

**054.25 Next Meeting**

2<sup>nd</sup> September 2025

7pm

Stanton Village Hall

There being no further business, the chairman thanked everyone for the contributions to a successful meeting and closed the meeting at 9.10pm.

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

These minutes will remain DRAFT until confirmed at the next meeting of the Parish Council on 2<sup>nd</sup> September 2025.