



Stoke Mandeville Parish Council



Minutes of the ANNUAL PARISH MEETING held on 18th April 2023 at the Community Centre, Eskdale Road, Stoke Mandeville.

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Present: Cllrs K Shanahan (Chair), D Field, L Prestage, G Shrivastava, D Willmer, and P Wood. Cllrs S Kirve and D Smith arrived at 7.20pm.

Public Attendance: 7 members of the public, and 1 Buckinghamshire Council councillor.

Clerk: A Skeggs Assistant Clerk: P Rayner

The Chair introduced herself, welcomed everyone and thanked them for coming to the meeting.

No.	Description
1	APOLOGIES – Apologies were received from Cllrs B Ezra, J Magill, and J Robinson.
2	MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING The minutes of the meeting held on 19 th April 2022 were AGREED and duly signed by the Chair as a correct record.
3	ANNUAL REPORT FROM STOKE MANDEVILLE AND OTHER PARISHES CHARITY 2022/23. The Chair presented the 2022/23 Annual Report from the charity and highlighted the following points: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The charity was set up in 1986 after it was found that the parish council owned some land around Great Missenden. • The charity commission decreed that income from the sale of the land should be split – 1/22 to Great & Little Hampden, 1/22 to Great Missenden and 10/11 to Stoke Mandeville. • Seven trustees administer the charity. • The income is used to provide grants for the benefit of the residents of the parish. • Regular grants – Educational Grants for university / college courses, Senior/Disabled railcards, Lifeline alarms and Christmas Grants (over 70s). • Family summer outings have been organised as well as supplying Pantomime tickets. • The trustees meet on a quarterly basis to administer the charity and consider grants.
4	PRESENTATION BY JAN SHARP, VILLAGE SOCIETY TREASURER. Jan highlighted the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Background to the formation of the Village Society. • It was run by volunteers. • Protect and promote the village heritage, • Encourage and develop community activities and initiatives. • Support the improvement and development of amenities. • Regular communicate what is happening to generate interest. • Heritage Projects – Conservation Area, Heritage Maps, Blue Plaques, and Outdoor War Memorial. • Community Projects – Social Activities, “Proud of Our Village” campaign, Seasonal decorations, One-off events – Coronation. • Amenities Projects – Traffic Management, Village Green Improvements, Accessibility, and Red Phone Box library swop. • Communication Projects – Online Directory, Seasonal Newsletters, Village Gates, and Upgrade existing signage. • Goal to win the “Best Kept Village Competition”, last won in 2000.



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5	<p>PRESENTATION BY CLLR LAURENCE PRESTAGE</p> <p>Laurence explained why the Neighbourhood Plan was taking as long as it was. He then highlighted some recent decisions:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Allocation of a Settlement Boundary within which development would be allowed. The Southern and Western areas were not included within the Settlement Boundary. • There were 27 areas of Green Spaces that would be highlighted for protection. • There was to be a Green Buffer between the village and the area to the North. • SPB consultation results would be available in the summer, some of which may impact on the Neighbourhood Plan. • The concept of a Village Centre had been removed from the Neighbourhood Plan as it needed the agreement of too many landowners.
	<p>OPEN FORUM</p> <p>There were no further questions.</p>

The meeting finished at 7.30 pm.

Signed:.....Chair

Date: 16 April 2024