

**STOKE LYNE PARISH COUNCIL**  
**Minutes of the Annual Parish Meeting of Stoke Lyne held on Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> May 2023**  
**in the Parish Meeting Room at 8.00pm**

**PRESENT:** Cllr N Barnes (Chairman), Cllr Mrs L Soper, Cllr P Elliott, Cllr R Allen, Cllr P buckle and Cllr C Cooke.

**ALSO PRESENT:** 14 Parishioners

**APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE:** Cllr I Corkin (OCC) Cllr N Simpson (CDC)

Chairman Nick Barnes welcomed parishioners to the meeting and welcomed a resident of Stratton Audley, who attended to give a demonstration on the use of a defibrillator. Residents expressed interest in attending a training session on the defibrillator and basic first aid.

**1 TO CONFIRM THE MINUTES OF THE LAST ANNUAL PARISH MEETING HELD ON TUESDAY 10<sup>th</sup> May 2022**

The Chairman read out the minutes from the last meeting. They were agreed to be a true record of the meeting.

**2 CHAIRMANS REPORT**

The Chairman started by thanking County and District Councillors for their support and introduced the two new Parish Councillors – Paul Buckle and Caroline Cooke.

Following support from OCC, new speed limits through the village have been introduced, with 20mph speed limits in the centre of the village of Stoke Lyne and the speed limits moved out towards the B4100. Some village roads have been resurfaced. The Parish council now needs to make an application for a similar speed restriction through Bainton.

Q The 20mph signs are not easily visible.

A. This will be reported to OCC, and the village grass cutting will be extended to the 40 mph signs.

Following requests from residents Stoke Lyne now has a defibrillator on the outside wall of the Peyton Arms, and the Clerk is seeking funding for a similar defibrillator for Bainton.

Despite the discussion at the Parish Meeting in 2022, the Parish Council has not considered in detail the removal of the concrete where the old playground was sited. This will be considered by the Parish council at its next meeting.

The Parish Council is still dealing with a number of major planning matters, including large warehousing applications at Baynards Green and off the B4100 (currently on hold pending highways information) where it is working with other interested parties although it did hear that the applicant for the proposed Strategic Rail freight interchange by Ardley is re-evaluating the situation.

**Other issues:**

Cllr Allen is still pursuing the installation of broadband in Bainton, which is moving forward, albeit slowly.

There was a very successful event to celebrate the Coronation – with thanks due to everyone who helped organise this.

There was a 3% increase in the precept this year.

The new website is now up and running – any items for the website should be sent to the Clerk.

The Village held a litterpick in March, which collected a large amount of rubbish, but it is dispiriting to see how quickly the litter returns – mainly in the form of fast food litter from the services and Macdonalds.

#### **6. FINANCE REPORT**

Copies of the end of year finance report are now available on the website. Please raise any questions with the clerk.

#### **3 QUESTIONS/COMMENTS**

The Parish Council was asked to consider designating part of the playing field as a “no mow” area.

There was a brief discussion about the proposed development at Hillside, and concern that the application should contain sufficient parking.

#### **8 ANY OTHER BUSINESS**

There being no further business the meeting closed at approximately 9.30pm.