

STAPENHILL PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Annual Parish Meeting of Stapenhill Parish Council
held at Immanuel Church, Hawthorne Crescent, Stapenhill
on Wednesday, 10th May 2017 at 7.00pm

Present:

Councillors: S Paxton, J Chester, B McLelland, M Bott, S Godfrey and I Gibson

Also Present: County Councillor Syed Hussain
Borough Councillor C Jones
Borough Councillor A Legg
Four Members of the Public
R Young – Clerk to the Council

1) **Apologises**

Apologies for absence were received from N Champ, S Winsper and W Turton.

2) **Minutes of the Annual Parish Meeting held on 11th May 2016**

It was proposed, seconded and agreed to approve the Minutes of the Annual Parish Meeting held on the 11th May 2016.

Resolved: To approve the Minutes of the Annual Parish Meeting held on the 11th May 2016.

3) **Chairman's Report 2017**

The Chairman of the Parish Council, Susan Paxton, reported the following:-

Stapenhill Parish Council started the year with a rather too healthy bank account and during this financial year we have been able to put these funds to good use.

Our major project was the improvement of Edge Hill Playground by purchasing toddler/disabled play equipment, partly funded by the Neighbourhood Projects of East Staffordshire Borough Council. Photos: Our thanks to the Neighbourhood Team for their assistance.

Our Parish Sign Project has come to fruition. The Parish having designed and purchased the signs, and these are now just awaiting fitting by the Staffs County Council Highways Maintenance Team this May 2017.

S. Paxton 09.05.2018

The Parish has started to develop a further project for a Memorial Garden within Stapenhill Gardens, where we have been allotted some space by East Staffordshire Borough Council , and we have quotations from tarmacadam companies to install a path to commence the project.

The Parish Noticeboards have also been improved to a good standard, and should stand up to many more years' weather, and give good service to the Parish.

We have tried to make representations with regard to heavy traffic on our roads with developments in South Derbyshire heavily affecting our two main artery roads, namely Stanton Road and Rosliston Road. Our residents are forced to allow Brizlincote Valley and Stapenhill Road to have precedence over our own need to get to work. This has been a real problem to our area when other roads such as the A51 or A38 suffer closures.

We are concerned about air pollution and are making representations to our Borough Council in this regard.

I would like to thank Peter Davies, County Councillor, for his work within our Parish and to wish him a happy healthy retirement. I would also like to thank Borough Councillors Alison Legge and Mick Fitzpatrick for their support of our Projects within the Parish.

Thanks also go to Robert Young, our Parish Clerk, for his help and support of all projects and for his administrative guidance.

I would like to wish the Parish Council well now, as I leave its service.

4) **Financial Report**

The Clerk gave a detailed report regarding Receipts and Payments for the year ended 31st March 2017.

It was proposed, seconded and agreed to approve the Receipts and Payments for the year ended 31st March 2017.

Resolved: To approve the Receipts and Payments for the year ended 31st March 2017.

5) **Public Forum**

- Details given of injuries to Swans on the river by fishing lines. Asked if a section of the river bank could be suspended from fishing. The Clerk to enquire with M Hovers at ESBC and the Environment Agency. It was mentioned about the work undertaken by Lyndsey Newell at the Swan Centre. S Godfrey proposed a donation of £200.00 to the Swan Centre, seconded B McLelland.

09.05.2018

Resolved: To donate £200.00 to the Swan Centre (L Newell).

- D Thomas mentioned that a Swan had been killed when it had flew into power lines. Installation of coloured discs requested.
- S Paxton confirmed her resignation as Chairman and Parish Councillor A Legg thanked S Paxton for the work for the community over recent years.

The Annual Parish Meeting closed at 7.15pm.

Chairman of the Parish Council

J. Allen 09.05.2018