

## **STOKE MANDEVILLE PARISH COUNCIL**

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### **Minutes of the Stoke Mandeville Annual Parish Meeting held at Stoke Mandeville Community Centre, Eskdale Road on Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> April 2016 at 7pm.**

**PRESENT:**

Cllr R Butler	Cllr A Clark
Cllr B Ezra	Cllr J Hunt (Chair)
Cllr S Kirve	Cllr S Pluckwell
Cllr M Rogers	Cllr D Starr
Cllr R Swinney	Cllr P Wood

County Cllr C Adams  
County and District Cllr B Adams  
1 member of public  
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**The Chairman extended a warm welcome to Councillors and members of the public.**

#### **1. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING**

The minutes of the meeting held on 14<sup>th</sup> April 2015 were unanimously approved and duly signed by the Chairman.

#### **2. CHAIRMAN'S REPORT**

The Annual Report of the Council had been previously circulated and copies available at the meeting. Cllr Hunt referred to the report which highlights the achievements of the Council in 2015-16 and outlined the plans for the forthcoming year.

The Chairman expressed thanks to fellow Councillors and the Clerk for their support and hard work.

The report of Council was accepted and a copy would be uploaded to the Council's website. Cllr Butler commended the report and thanked the Chairman for its production.

#### **3. STOKE MANDEVILLE AND OTHER PARISHES CHARITY.**

Chairman of the Charity, Barbara Ezra, provided an update on the work of the Charity and reminded everyone that all residents of the parish could apply to the Charity for a grant.

The charity would be running another family fun day in 2016 and also funding a pantomime trip for families.

The Senior Citizens New Year Lunch had been well attended again in January.

The accounts for the charity were available from the Administrator and published in the Parish Magazine. Cllr Hunt asked that a copy be sent to the Parish Council.

#### **4. NEIGHBOURHOOD PLANNING**

Cllr Rogers gave a presentation on Neighbourhood Plans and the process that needed to be followed to develop one. Stoke Mandeville were in the early stages of their Neighbourhood Plan, a steering group had been formed and consisted of Parish Councillors and local residents. Consultants had been engaged to assist and advise.

Consultation with local residents and businesses was an important part of the process and a series of exhibitions were planned for May, all councillors were asked to consider whether they could assist at these events. The dates and venues would be:

- Saturday 14<sup>th</sup> May, 1-5pm at Hawkslade Community Centre
- Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> May, 6.30 – 8.30pm at Booker Park School
- Saturday 21<sup>st</sup> May, 10am – 2pm at Stoke Mandeville Community Centre

Cllr Rogers stressed that there was a lot of work involved in putting together a neighbourhood plan. Cllr Kirve offered to join the Steering Group which was gratefully accepted.

Cllr Clark asked if there was any way to speed up the process but it was explained that there were a number of steps to go through in order to satisfy the examiner at the end of the process.

#### **5. OPEN FORUM FOR PARISHIONERS**

There were no matters raised and the meeting was closed at 8pm.

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_