

# Stanford on Soar Parish Council

## An invitation to all residents



## Annual Parish Meeting – 22 May 2025

### The meeting

This year's Stanford on Soar Annual Parish Meeting is to be held on Thursday 22 May 2025 in St John the Baptist church in Stanford on Soar commencing at 19.30. All residents are invited to attend. Drinks and nibbles will, once again, be served when the meeting finishes.

### A special visitor.....

This year, other unforeseen commitments permitting, we are very pleased to welcome James Naish MP to the meeting. James was elected to represent Rushcliffe in the 2024 General Election. He is the first Labour MP to represent Rushcliffe since 1966. He will update the meeting on local initiatives and is happy to take questions.

Born in Sheffield and raised on his family's farm in South Wheatley, Nottinghamshire, James is the youngest of three triplets.

Before his election as an MP, in 2019 James was elected to Bassetlaw District Council, Nottinghamshire and then elected Leader of the Council in September 2022.

Today he is a member of the International Development Committee, the House of Commons select committee responsible for scrutinising UK aid policy, and the expenditure of Official Development Assistance across UK government departments.



James Naish MP

### Update on selected issues

An abbreviated update on some issues is recorded below. All Parish Council meeting agendas, minutes and accounts can be viewed on the village website at [www.stanfordonsoarparishcouncil.org.uk](http://www.stanfordonsoarparishcouncil.org.uk)

- **Floods in the village**  
After the heavy rain experienced this year, floods in the village were, once again, a major problem. They were particularly bad around the bend by the church. However, after considerable work by Via to the drains and the gullies the situation is very much improved. Work is also in hand to reduce the volume of water coursing down the road from Normanton Lane.
- **Highways & signs**  
Bus stops on both sides of the road were installed near the Old School House. A new village sign was installed entering from Loughborough and an order has been placed for a replacement sign, in metal, for the carved wooden sign in the church car park. With the support of County Councillor Matt Barney, efforts continue to introduce a 50mph speed limit from the A6006 right through to the start of the 30mph limit in Stanford village, which has been requested to be extended to beyond the new bus stops.
- **Planning applications**  
Once again there have been numerous planning applications, most notable being the ones concerning the Five Oaks farm site. Details of all applications and responses, are on the Rushcliffe BC planning website.
- **Conservation Area**  
All residents were consulted regarding the creation of a Conservation Area for the village. The majority of the responses received were positive. However, after further consideration of resources of time and expertise required in putting the appraisal together, it was agreed this was not a viable option.
- **Defibrillator installation**  
SSAFA, with the additional support of £300 from Rushcliffe Borough Council, has installed a defibrillator on the outside of Norton House for village use and training has been given.