



Stanton under Bardon Parish Council

**DRAFT Minutes of the Annual Parish Meeting of Stanton under Bardon Parish Council
held at Without Walls Community Church, Main Street, Stanton under Bardon on
Wednesday 22nd May 2024 at 19:00**

Parish Councillors Present: Cllr Alan Ramsay (Chairman) Cllr John Geary (Vice Chairman)
Cllr Anthony Johnston, Cllr Neil Barratt, Cllr Zoe Howard

Parish Clerk: Joanne Lowe

Members of the Public Present: 36

The Meeting opened at 19:00

APM1/24-25	<p>WELCOME & INTRODUCTIONS BY THE CHAIRMAN</p> <p>The Chairman opened the meeting and welcomed all present.</p>
APM2/24-25	<p>ACCEPTANCE OF THE MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS ANNUAL PARISH MEETING HELD ON 17th MAY 2023</p> <p>The draft minutes from the previous Annual Parish Meeting held on 17th May 2023 were accepted with no amendments made.</p>
APM3/24-25	<p>CHAIRMANS REPORT</p> <p>A report was received by the Chairman.</p> <p>Cllr Ramsay spoke about the numerous successes and challenges that the Council has faced over the last 12 months, with the most significant being taking over the management of the Village Hall. Over the last 12 months, the Council has also secured over £8000 in grants to deliver a variety of different projects, including the upgrade of the community defibrillator at the Village Hall as well as a new solar powered vehicle activated sign at the top of Main Street. There will also be some developments at the recreation ground over the next 12 months, including the creation of a wildflower meadow as well as the creation of a new community orchard.</p> <p>He mentioned the launch of a new community grant scheme, where grants are available to local community groups.</p> <p>The Council have also supported numerous community initiatives – including remembrance Sunday, the older peoples Christmas dinner, supporting without walls' grant application for their hall refurbishments, as well as monetary donations towards Stanfest Village Festival.</p> <p>The Council continue to lobby on residents behalf in terms of opposing planning developments, as well as contributing to the Borough-wide Rural</p>

	<p>Strategy to prioritize issues important to Stanton under Bardon, including improvements to the rural policing, public transport and better enforcement of dog fouling regulations. The Council also continues to have formal representation at the Quarry Residents Liason group with Midlands Quarry Group.</p>
APM4/24-25	<p>LEICESTERSHIRE POLICE UPDATE</p> <p>PC Charles Allen gave an update regarding latest crime figures, how to contact the Police and the latest projects and incentives being launched by Leicestershire Police. He also urged people to join Neighborhood Link that sends you latest information via email to the local community. The Police also have a Facebook page and people are urged to drop a message and get in touch. The police highlighted how they rely on people to inform the police of local crime and this leads to policing prioritizes across the local area.</p>
APM4/24-25	<p>LITTER AND DOG FOULING ENFORCEMENT AND NEW PUBLIC SPACE PROTECTION ORDERS</p> <p>Borough Officer Ash Reynolds gave an update on litter and dog fouling enforcement. He also introduced the new public space protection orders that were in force at Stanton under Bardon recreation ground.</p>
APM5/24-25	<p>COMMUNITY ORCHARD PROJECT</p> <p>Emma Andrews from RCC gave an update on the Community Orchards project</p>
APM6/24-25	<p>COMMUNITY EVENTS</p> <p>An update was received by Catherine Henderson at Without Walls Community Church.</p>
APM7/24-25	<p>UPDATE ON NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN</p> <p>Russell George, the Chair of the Neighbourhood Plan Steering Group gave an update.</p> <p>He has been pushing for a Neighbourhood Plan for Thornton, Bagworth and Stanton under Bardon despite time and funding challenges and eventually local councils committed to it, and Stanton under Bardon Parish Council joined us in creating a joint Neighbourhood Plan. A Joint Steering Group was formed, which I chaired, involving Parish Councillors and lay members from all three villages.</p> <p>From 2017 until the pandemic, progress fluctuated although community involvement was significant throughout. The pandemic delayed public consultations scheduled for March 2020, but progress resumed later.</p>

	<p>The Plan was submitted to Hinckley and Bosworth Borough Council, revised based on their feedback, and resubmitted last July. Despite delays, we are now seeking a meeting with the Borough's CEO and Leader.</p> <p>He remains dedicated to finalizing the Plan and thanked everyone for their support. For more details, please visit the Parishes' and Steering Group's websites as there may be opportunities for new Steering Group members to join based on the meeting's outcome with the Borough Council.</p>
<p>APM8/24-25</p> <p>APM9/24-25</p> <p>APM10/24-25</p>	<p>REPORTS FROM ANY OTHER PARISH REPRESENTATIVES PRESENT AT MEETING</p> <p>ST JOHN COLE CHARITY</p> <p>St John Cole was the Squire of Stanton under Bardon in the latter half of the seventeenth century. He is noted for his beneficence to the village and by his will he left twenty acres of land, along with a barn and stable, to provide income for the widows, orphans, and elderly poor of Stanton under Bardon. This land, located just south of the village, generated funds that were managed by two trustees under the Parish authorities.</p> <p>This charity functioned in its original form until the 1970s, when modern welfare systems made its original purpose obsolete. Consequently, the Charity Commission redefined the objectives of the St John Cole Charity and with the approval of the Stanton under Bardon Parish Council, the land was sold and the proceeds were invested in ethical funds managed by the Charity Commission.</p> <p>The revised beneficiaries of the charity are elderly residents of the village who have lived there for a specified duration and receive a state old age pension, as well as widows receiving a widow's pension.</p> <p>Today, the charity is still managed by two trustees, currently Stephanie Agnew and Heather Coules, who distribute annual payments to eligible recipients. The Charity of St John Cole remains one of the oldest and most enduring charities in the East Midlands.</p> <p>STANTON UNDER BARDON SUMMER FETE COMMITTEE</p> <p>Louise Grey, Chair of the Committee, gave an update</p> <p>OLD THATCHED INN</p> <p>The owners of the Old Thatched Inn gave an update. They warmly invited residents to the pub as they are offering live music and entertainment. They were looking at setting up a coffee morning and if residents were interested to complete a feedback form.</p>

APM3/24-25

KRB RETAIL – ONE STOP

Kelly gave an update. After opening in the village, she wanted to thank the community of Stanton under Bardon for their support. If there is anything that they want the shop to stock, please get in touch. They were also keen to see whether they could re-open as a Post Office which the Parish Council said they would support and lobby for.

Meeting closed at 20:56

Signed by

Chair

Date