

Annual General Meeting
Stanton St Bernard Parish Council
Thursday 14 May 2015
7.30pm at the Village Hall

AGENDA

Items to be considered

1. Those present
2. Apologies for absences
3. Minutes (to confirm the minutes of the AGM held on 8 May 2014)
4. Finance / Presentation of Annual accounts
5. Chairman's Report
6. Election of Committee/Office Bearers
7. Village Plan
8. Date of next AGM

**Minutes of the Annual General Meeting of Stanton St Bernard Parish Council
held on 14 May 2015
in the Village Hall, Stanton St Bernard**

- 1. Present**
- Councillors: Mr Bryan Read, Chairman
Mrs Joyce Hale, Vice-Chairman
Mrs Wendy Tarver
Mr Adam Pratt
- Parish Clerk: Mrs Karyn Bidmead
- Members of the Public: Mr Paul Oatway (Wiltshire Councillor)
Mr Gerald Tarver

- 2. Apologies** Mr Dominic Hawker

- 3. Minutes** There being no matters arising, the minutes of the Annual General Meeting held on 8 May 2014 were read and approved.

Report by Paul Oatway, Wiltshire Councillor Mr Paul Oatway addressed the Meeting, explaining that the Council is conservative led following the recent General Election and that representations had been made to the Cabinet.

He explained that he had been offered a higher position in County Hall, which he had declined as he wanted to remain "on the floor".

He referred to a draft letter to Dr Carlton Brand regarding The Great Stones Way Trail from various Parish Councils, which was to be considered by the Parish Council at their meeting to be held after this Annual General Meeting, stating that the project did not have the support of the Parish Council.

The recent resurfacing of roads in the Village was raised. Mr Bryan Read mentioned as an observation that the last 100 yards (approximately) of the road near Stanton Dairy had been resurfaced, despite being privately owned, and wondered if it would have been more beneficial for Coate Road to have been resurfaced instead. This was noted by Mr Paul Oatway who explained that Coate Road is in the pipeline to be resurfaced. Mrs Joyce Hale asked if it was possible for safety reasons for road markings to be put on the road leading to the Riding Stables. Mr Paul Oatway said he would look into this.

- 4. Finance / Presentation of Annual Accounts** The Parish Clerk presented the Parish Annual Return together with accounts for the year ended 31 March 2015 (a copy of which is attached and forms part of these minutes) and summarised as follows:

Income:		
Parish	2,519.94	
Special Fund	<u>0.00</u>	
Total Income		2,519.94

Expenditure	(2,032.81)
Balance brought forward 01.04.14	669.16
Balance carried forward 31.03.15	£ 1,156.29
<u>Divided as follows:</u>	
Parish	178.93
Special Fund	977.36
	£ 1,156.29

It was resolved to approve the Annual Return and Accounts as presented to the meeting, having been proposed by Mrs Wendy Tarver and seconded by Mr Adam Pratt.

5. Chairman's Report

The Chairman thanked the Parish Clerk for the work carried out during the year and also thanked Mr Nick Bidmead for the work undertaken by him on the Parish website since he had taken over from Mr Jon Roots who had moved from the village a few months ago.

The Chairman referred to the litter picking-up morning in March which had been very well attended by villagers and had been a great success. He thanked Mr Adam Pratt for the use of his tractor and trailer.

The Chairman referred to The Great Stones Way Trail and explained that it looked very likely that this project may be shelved.

The Chairman reported that the following planning applications had been received during the year:

14/05104/FUL – full planning application for erection of new detached dwelling, “No Objections” 29 June 2014

14/02484/LBC – repair/rebuilding works at Mill Farm, “No Objections” 2 July 2014

14/11131/FUL – shower, WC facilities and observatory at Barge Inn, Honeystreet campsite “No Objections” 20 December 2014

14/11675/FUL – building works to Mill Farm, “Support” 21 April 2015

14/11765/LBC – building works at Mill Farm, “Support” 21 April 2015

6. Election of Committee/Office Bearers

Chairman:

Mr Paul Oatway (Wiltshire Councillor) took the Chair for the election of the Chairman. Mrs Wendy Tarver proposed Mr Bryan Read, seconded by Mrs Joyce Hale.

Vice Chairman:

Mrs Wendy Tarver proposed Mrs Joyce Hale, seconded by Mr Gerald Tarver.

Councillors:

Mr Dominic Hawker, Mr Adam Pratt and Mrs Wendy Tarver having stated they were

happy to be reelected for the forthcoming year, were formally reappointed.

Parish Clerk:

It was formerly approved to reappoint and employ Mrs Karyn Bidmead as Parish Clerk for the forthcoming year.

7. Neighbour Plan ("NP")

Mr Gerald Tarver read his report to the Meeting, a copy of which is attached and forms part of these minutes, and it was proposed that the Parish Council vote upon the following options, as set out in his report:

1. That we do not send out the questionnaire and we do not carry any further work on the NP but carry out a review prior to the Core Policy review date in 2026.
2. That the questionnaire is sent around the village (if only to give Parish Councillors direct feedback as to the views of the people that they represent) and that unless there is a proven need for a NP from a majority of the responses received in respect of the questionnaire coupled with, more importantly, evidence of volunteers willing to be pro-active in its development plus an agreement as to methods of funding the NP then any further action regarding a NP for Stanton should cease but with a review prior to 2026 as Option 1 above.

It was unanimously resolved to halt any further work on the NP, including the sending out of the Village Questionnaire, and to review the position again in 2026, the year when the Wiltshire Core Policy is due for review.

8. Date of next Annual General Meeting

It was agreed the date for the next Annual General Meeting should be fixed closer the time.

Termination

There being no further business for discussion the meeting was closed.

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Chairman

Date: