

Stainton Parish Council Annual General Meeting Monday 13th May 2019 Stainton Village Hall

Chairman's Report 2019

First of all I'd like to thank everyone for their support of me as Chair, to Ivor, Sarah, John and Kate, the Parish Councillors, and to Sarah our Clerk. Special thanks to John Fisher, who retired from the council due to personal reasons, for all the work he carried out on behalf of parishioners.

Thanks also to Bob Brown for auditing the accounts last year.

There have been 8 Parish Council Meetings carried out during this last year with full agendas at each meeting.

During the past year:

We have again contracted a company to treat the pond to reduce the Flag Iris. This treatment seems to have been very successful with only a few straggling plants left.

We have employed a landscape company to tidy the area along the stream and the pond and some other areas around the village.

Regular liaison meetings with Breedon Quarries, Marshalls, Tarmac Top Block and Hargreaves along with all the other locally affected Parish Councils, are very informative.

The Parish Council is still acting on behalf of residents on a number of planning issues throughout the year, including a major development plan in Maltby which could seriously affect the village.

The Parish Council continue to fund the Village Hall wireless broadband system. This is free to all users of the village hall and will greatly improve the quality of Parish Council meetings through such items as planning proposals.

The Parish Council has successfully campaigned to keep the No.10A bus service through this year's rounds of route planning. The bus now links the village with Doncaster, Rotherham and Sheffield Meadowhall.

The Parish Council campaigned continuously for faster Fibre Optic Broadband which was introduced to the village during August last year. This has resulted in a better telephone and computer system for residents and businesses.

The Parish Council, through Sarah our Clerk, has secured a number of financial grants for the benefit of the village. Many thanks Sarah.

We are now studying the future of the village playing field. Many thanks to Kate for organising the questionnaire and to all who responded. We will now be looking at plans for the field and seek monies to achieve it.
We currently have a vacancy for a Parish Councillor.

The new village website continues to have about 120 visitors per month and now carries all Stainton Parish Council information to move towards a transparent system. Find us on www.staintonvillage.org

The Village Hall continues to be used through the Village Hall Trust Ltd. Thanks to all concerned with these efforts.

Yours truly,

John Gray
Chair of Stainton Parish Council