

SANDFORD PARISH COUNCIL

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Dear Sir/Madam,

I hereby give you notice that the ANNUAL PARISH MEETING of the above Council will take place on THURSDAY 28th MARCH 2024, 7.45pm at SANDFORD PARISH HALL.

All members of the Council are hereby summoned to attend for the purpose of considering and resolving upon the business to be transacted as set out below.

***Malcolm J Vallance* (Parish Clerk)**

22nd March 2024

- 1) Apologies
- 2) Declarations of Interest
- 3) Minutes of last Annual Parish Meeting held on 23rd March 2023
(Circulated, and attached to the Agenda also on the Parish Council Website)
- 4) Matters arising
- 5) Chairman's annual report
- 6) Presentation of Accounts for Sandford Parish Council
- 7) Report on Beacon Lighting to mark the 80th Anniversary of D Day (Angela Crooke)
- 8) Questions and matters raised from members of the public on any other matters
- 9) Presentation of Community Volunteer Award Certificates

FOLLOWED BY REFRESHMENTS

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The Annual Parish took place this day Thursday 23rd March 2023 at Sandford Parish Hall.

Chairman - B Fyfe Messrs - D. Hope, R Stoye, and S. Haley
Mesdames – Dalton and Miles 5 Parishioners Parish Clerk Mr M Vallance

- 1) APOLOGIES - DCC Cllr M Squires, Cllrs M. Lee, J. Stephens, M. Snow, P Larcombe, and G. Ford.
- 2) DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST – None
- 2) The Minutes of the last Annual Parish Meeting (14th March 2019) had been circulated and were agreed as a true and accurate record, and duly signed by the Chairman
- 4) Matters arising – The new Redlands Surgery was now up and running and at the present time work had started to build the new Pharmacy
- 5) Chairman’s report – The Parish had been recovering from Covid and life was slowly returning to normal. The year ahead would be a busy one with Parish Elections due to take place on 4th May 2023. It appeared there would be at least four vacant seats and prospective Parish Councillors were encouraged to stand for election. The construction of “Weavers Way” was causing Planning issues. The weekly “Coffee and Chat” event at St Swithun’s was being well attended. The Chairman recorded his thanks to Parish Councillors and the Clerk, for their support.
- 6) Presentation of Parish Accounts
 - a) Sandford Parish Council by the Parish Clerk Malcolm Vallance.
Nick Silk asked why the 2020/2021 accounts had not been open for inspection ?
The Clerk confirmed that Notification had been publicised at the correct time.
Mr Silk then went on to comment over expenditure for the 2022 Platinum Jubilee.
He was advised that full details would form part of the Audited accounts for the current year ending on 31st March 2023.
 - b) Sandford Parish Hall by Mike Snow (Chairman).
Tony Wright who had been Treasurer for many years was retiring and a replacement was being sought.Both these sets of Accounts were then formally adopted by the Meeting.
- c) Sandford Relief in Need the Clerk read a statement out supplied by Chris Theedom one of the Trustees.
- d) Sandford AFC – Not present
- 7) Sandford Celebrations for the Coronation of King Charles III (Saturday 4th May 2023)
Following the great success of the 2022 Platinum Jubilee Celebrations discussions for the Coronation had got off to a slow start. A skeleton programme, made up of suggestions already received, had been put together and other ideas and above all Volunteers were needed. This event would take place on 7th
- 8) Questions and matters raised from members of the public - These centred on the construction of “Weavers Way”.

There being no other business the Chairman closed the meeting and tea and biscuits were served.

