

**THE ANNUAL PARISH MEETING OF THE STANTON ST. QUINTIN
PARISH COUNCIL WAS HELD ON 21st JULY 2015**

Present: Mr Nick Greene (Chairman)
Mrs Anita Druce
Mr Peter Murton
Mrs Ros Whiting
Mrs Emma Walker

Mr Howard Greenman (Wiltshire Councillor)

1 member of the public

Apologies: Mr Ian Plummer

Minutes: The Minutes of the Annual Parish meeting held on 8th July 2014 were taken as read and signed as being a true record.

The Chairman, Nick Greene, reported the retirement of Marina Cowan and thanked her for her work for the Council and the village.

Liza Druce had also resigned from the Council – probably the youngest councillor that had served on the Parish Council. Mrs Emma Walker had been co-opted to fill her place.

Mr Greene thanked his fellow Councillors and the Clerk for their contribution over the past year.

Parish Hall

During the year the Council has received regular updates from the Parish Hall Committee. The draft business plan was considered. £5000 was advanced to the Committee to enable necessary health and safety works to be undertaken, so that a lease can be agreed with the Diocese although this money will not be used until the lease is signed. Vandalism to the hall had been repaired and the Police notified. A wine and cheese evening had been held and a very successful evening with Dr Fiona Baskett giving an illustrated talk on the history of Stanton St Quintin.

Defibrillators

One of the 2 defibrillators had now been installed on the school building and progress was being made with siting the other one.

Highways

Despite the sterling effort undertaken by Marina in liaising with Wiltshire Council Highways there were still several outstanding issues including reinstatement of litter bins; reinstatement of double yellow lines by the Murco Garage; improvements to signage throughout the village; clearing of drains etc. and the junction at Kington Lane. Councillor Howard Greenman was aware of the issues and was helping in trying to get these dealt with. The Parish Council had agreed to contribute towards the cost of the new signs for the village.

Planning

Several planning applications had been considered throughout the year and comments forwarded to Wiltshire Council who has the final say on all planning matters.

Parish Forum, Area Board and CATG

The Parish Council is aware that it is important to keep up to date with all local matters and one or more Councillors regularly attends the meetings of the Parish Forum, Area Board and Chippenham Area Transport Group to make sure that the feelings from Stanton St Quintin are voiced.

Communications

As well as the Parish Council sponsored website www.stantonstquintin.co.uk & our 3 Notice Boards, we are very grateful to all the work that our Vice Chair, Anita puts into "The Chatter". This is an excellent & immediate way of communicating with the village via email and the more people we can encourage to sign up at sstqpc@gmail.com the better.

Report from Wiltshire Councillor

Mr Greenman reported that high speed broadband was currently being installed in the village and would go live in the Autumn

Chairman