



MINUTES DRAFT

OF THE

ANNUAL STAMBRIDGE PARISH ASSEMBLY MEETING

HELD AT THE STAMBRIDGE MEMORIAL HALL, STAMBRIDGE ROAD, SS4 2AR

ON MONDAY 15th MAY 2017

1. **Chairman's opening remarks.**

The Chairman Councillor Mr G Ioannou welcomed the Councillors and Public attending the 2017 Parish Assembly Meeting.

2. **Members and Public present:**

Chairman Councillor Mr G Ioannou

Councillors: Mrs J Gooding and Mrs P Holmes.

Members of the public: Mrs S Ioannou and Mrs C Robshaw.

The Parish Clerk: Mr B Summerfield.

3. **Apologies for absence.**

Received from Councillor Mr P Shaw (booked meeting) and Ward Councillor Mrs L Shaw (RDC meeting).

4. **Minutes of the Meeting of 23rd May 2016.**

Parish Assembly Minutes 2016 were not available to be recorded.

5. **Chairman's Annual Report.**

APPENDIX 1

6. **Statement of Balance of Accounts for the year ending 31st March 2017.**

Current Account @ £2,574-11 (31st March 2017)

Business Account @ £1,906-88 (31st March 2017)

NS&1 @ £ 34-36 (31st March 2017)

7. **Visiting Guests, Ward/County Councillors and Questions from the Public.**

Mrs S Ioannou reported cars speeding on Little Stambridge Hall Lane and asked for help in controlling this safety problem for residents.

After discussion it was suggested that the residents write to the SPC voicing their safety concerns.

8. **Date, Time and Place of the next Annual Stambridge Parish Assembly Meeting**

Agreed: Potentially TUESDAY 8th MAY 2018 but TBA!

TO BE HELD AT THE STAMBRIDGE MEMORIAL HALL, STAMBRIDGE ROAD, SS4 2AR AT 7.30 PM.

There being no further business the Chairman closed the meeting at 7-42 pm.

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Mr B Summerfield.

Stambridge Parish Clerk.

Chairman's Annual Report

As Chairman of the Stambridge Parish Council, I welcome the Residents and Councillors to the Annual Stambridge Parish Council Assembly.

It is with regret that Mrs Linda Hare has tendered her resignation as clerk from the Parish Council to spend time with her family. I would like to thank her for the dedicated services to the Parish Council.

With the assistance from the RCCE and their legal team, polices were forged to ensure the correct relationship between Stambridge Parish Council and Stambridge Memorial Hall were clearly defined. This enabled the Parish as councillors and sole trustees to Stambridge Memorial Hall to create two positions, Clerk to Parish/RFO and Hall Manager/RFO. I welcome on board Mr Barry Summerfield who brings knowledge and experience to the Parish Council.

Gratitude is extended to the Liane Rowland (independent RFO) and Mrs Ioannou for their tireless efforts in supporting Stambridge Parish Council and Stambridge Memorial Hall in continuing to form stronger partnerships with Rochford District and Essex County, and bringing fresh ideas and direction to the Parish Council.

Stambridge Parish Council continues to develop in Stature in supporting the local community at grass roots level. This has been seen by;

1. Working in partnership with the police to reintroduce the Neighbourhood Watch (NHW) into Stambridge and becoming the first community in Rochford District to be 100% compliant.
2. Sessions continue to be conducted to support individuals of all age groups with mental and physical disabilities through a Disability Sports programme. The Disability Sports programme utilising Boccia, kurling continues to support these individuals across the district.
3. The Stambridge Fishing Programme commenced on the 22nd April 2017, which will run for 8 weeks and a further two programmes scheduled for the second half of the year. This Programme is supported by Stambridge Parish Council, Youth Services, PCC, RDC, Cooperative and All about Coarse Angling to help the youths in the Rochford District Council. ~~11/6/17~~

After years of neglect and various acts of vandalism, Stambridge Parish Council who is sole trustees of Stambridge Memorial Hall is increasing the business activities through the restorations and ongoing maintenance programmes. Stambridge Parish Council and Stambridge Memorial Hall are now seen as separate entities but the council's relationship as sole trustees will remain.

The Parish Council has received written petitions from local pre-school and Stambridge School regarding the traffic speeding on Stambridge Road, which has been escalated to the ECC Highways to review the existing speeding regulations in the Stambridge Area. New school signs have being erected and 30 miles repeater signs will be displayed.

The Stambridge Parish Council has provided **Salt Bins** at the **Royal Oak, Stambridge Church, The Cherry Tree, Cagefield Road and Hampton Barns**, which will remain at these locations for the foreseeable future to cater for any cold spills. ~~spills~~ *spills*

The Sewage Treatment works have, overall been fairly quiet this year. A review of the site was conducted in June 2016 where the management team shared with the Parish the latest modification to their operations. In previous years there have been some issues with the works, mainly concerning odours and traffic movements; however, we will continue to monitor the situation to ensure the status quo.

The allotment continues to be self-funding and the Parish has introduced a Gardner to manage the site for the benefit of the plot holders. An extension to the allotment licence has also been arranged with the Rankin's Farmer.

Stambridge Parish Council has utilised member's strengths and interaction with the community of Stambridge to be an efficient and successful parish council who can control their direction and objectives and stand steadfast with the other Parish Councils in the District.

By Cllr George Ioannou Dated 30th April 2017 -