



# STAMBRIDGE PARISH COUNCIL

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## MINUTES **DRAFT**

of the

**THE ANNUAL STAMBRIDGE PARISH ASSEMBLY MEETING**  
**HELD AT STAMBRIDGE MEMORIAL HALL, STAMBRIDGE ROAD, ROCHFORD. SS4 2AR.**  
**ON THURSDAY 16<sup>th</sup> MAY 2019.**  
at 7.00 pm.

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

The Chairman welcomed all persons attending the Meeting and made safety announcements for the Memorial Hall.

**2. Members and Public Present:**

Chairman: Councillor Mr G Ioannou

Councillors: Mrs J Gooding and Mr P Shaw.

Ward Councillors: None.

Members of the public: Mr P Boyer, Mrs N Crane and Miss E Lingley.

The Parish Clerk: Mr B Summerfield.

**3. Apologies for absence.**

Councillor Mr P Holmes.

Ward Councillors: Mrs L Shaw and Mr S Wotton.

**4. Minutes of the Meeting of 30<sup>th</sup> May 2018.**

The Minutes were Resolved agreed.

Proposed by Councillors: Mr P Shaw, seconded by Mrs J Gooding and agreed by all.

The Chairman signed the Minutes as a true record.

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

Appendix:

**6. Statement of Balance of Accounts for the year ending 31<sup>st</sup> March 2019.**

Current: £ 9,320-18. (29<sup>th</sup> March 2019).

Business: £ 1,911-48. (1<sup>st</sup> April 2019).

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

None.

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

**Agreed: TBA MAY 2020**

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

There being no further business the Chairman closed the meeting at 7.20 pm.

**DRAFT 2019.**

**Mr B Summerfield Stambridge Parish Council Clerk/RFO.**

**Appendix:**

Chairman's Annual Report

## **Appendix: Chairman's Annual Report**

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

On the 2<sup>nd</sup> May 2019, Stambridge Parish Council participated in a local elections where the residents elected seven (7) councillors to the council. I welcome the following Parish councillors to the Parish and the knowledge and experience they bring to Stambridge Parish Council will benefit both the Parish and the residents of Stambridge, as well as continuing to form stronger partnerships with Rochford District and Essex County.

1. Cllr Peter Bowen
2. Cllr Natalie Crane
3. Cllr Julie Gooding
4. Cllr Pam Holmes
5. Cllr Emma Linley
6. Cllr Philip Shaw

During 2018 and 2019, with the assistance of the Councillors, Clerk and Trust Clerk undertook an initiative to restructure the relationship between the Parish Council and Stambridge Memorial Hall. Also, with the assistance from the RCCE and their legal team, policies were forged to ensure the correct relationship between Stambridge Parish Council and Stambridge Memorial Hall were clearly defined. This enabled the Parish as councillors, sole trustees to Stambridge Memorial Hall, Clerk/RFO and Trust Clerk/RFO to create three bodies;

1. Stambridge Parish Council
2. Sole Trustee committee and
3. Stambridge Community Centre Management committee

Gratitude is extended to Barry Summerfield for his tireless efforts in supporting Stambridge Parish Council and Councillors.

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 and neighbouring parishes to reintroduce the Neighbourhood Watch (NHW) into Stambridge becoming the first community in Rochford District to be 100% compliant.
2. The Stambridge Fishing Programme that commenced back in April 2015 has flourished and continues to this day, to support youths from the age of 12 to 18. This Programme is supported by Stambridge Memorial Hall, Essex Youth Services, PCC, RDC, Essex Community foundation, The Cooperative and All about Coarse Angling to help the youths in the Rochford District Council.

After years of neglect and various acts of vandalism, 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 have been 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.

The Sewage Treatment works have, overall been fairly quiet this year. A review of the site was conducted 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.

As everyone is aware the air traffic at Southend Airport has increased and has caused the residents of Stambridge some concerns. A productive public meeting was held in 2018 with Stobart to provide an overview of their current and future operations at Southend Airport, followed by a question answer session.

For the fore coming year, we as councillors have an opportunity to enrich the community by;

1. Participating in the 2020 programme with the involvement from residents, local businesses, sporting clubs, Stambridge Primary School, St Mary Church, Parish Council and Stambridge Community Centre.
2. Researching into the local Heritage of Stambridge.
3. The regular production of the quarterly Newsletter.
4. Conduct a survey of the Parish, whether by canvassing or by post.
5. Rebrand our Stambridge Parish website.
6. Rebrand the way we as councillors and officer work to support the local community.

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 and RDC.

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By Cllr George Ioannou Dated 16<sup>th</sup> May 2019

