

Upton Snodsbury Parish Council

Annual Parish Meeting

Minutes Tuesday 20th May 2025, 7.00pm Upton Snodsbury Village Hall

Parish Councillors Present: Paul Seymour (PS - Chairman), Alan Grainger (AG -Vice-Chairman), Debbie Waters (DW), Jeremy Britton (JB) Mark Hobson (MH), Marc Lawton (ML), District/County Cllr L Robinson.

Clerk/RFO: Nicola Harding

In attendance: One parishioner

Apologies:

Received from Cllr Collins.

Approval of minutes 21st May 2024:

Proposed Cllr Seymour, seconded Cllr Waters, all in favour to approve the minutes as an accurate record.

Chairman's report 2024/25:

As there had been two changes in Chairman during 2024/25, Cllr Grainger and Cllr Seymour provided a summary of the activities of the Parish Council during the year, thanking existing and newly co-opted Cllrs alike for their time and input in support of the parish council and its activities.

District & County Cllr report:

Cllr Robinson's annual report was circulated to Cllrs for their attention ahead of the meeting and is appended to the minutes. A copy will be made available for parishioners online via: [Home | Upton Snodsbury Parish Council](#)

Cllr Robinson shared her report with the parishioner present and requested if there were any questions from the meeting regarding its contents. Cllr Robinson noted that it had been an exciting year for the parish with the transformations underway at the village hall and car park as a result of the successful legacy grant bid, and congratulated the parish council and village hall committee for their efforts in progressing what will be an important village legacy.

Attendance at the recent VE day celebrations confirmed that events are well attended in the parish and there is a respect for village assets such as the refurbished telephone kiosk. Cllr Robinson commended the village's pride and community spirit which is clearly evident in Upton Snodsbury.

Village Hall Committee:

The Chairman of the committee had provided an annual report ahead of the meeting which was circulated to Cllrs. The Chairman summarized the report, updating Cllrs of the legacy project progress to date, along with future proposals. It was agreed that the current parish council budget requires re-assessing ahead of committing to further expenditure, as costs have risen subsequent to the original quotes obtained at the start of the project.

Cllr Robinson updated Cllrs that other legacy bids are currently being accepted by Wychavon, should there be any village small businesses or enterprises that may benefit from funding for expansion, equipment etc. Cllr Robinson also noted that the school could benefit from the opportunity and responsibility of creating a flower meadow on land adjacent to the new car park.

A discussion ensued regarding engagement and future use of the village hall, in order to maximize the project works undertaken. It was confirmed that further hall promotion is required and intended via the website, WhatsApp group and social media and that once the works are completed, further events will be planned, for example the broadcasting of live sporting social events. It was recommended that assessing other newly refurbished halls in the locality could be positive in considering other examples of such legacy projects.

The meeting closed at 7.15pm.

Signed

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Chairman