

**MINUTES OF STOKESBY WITH HERRINGBY ANNUAL PARISH MEETING  
HELD AT STOKESBY COMMUNITY CENTRE ON WEDNESDAY 10<sup>TH</sup> MAY  
2023 AT 7PM**

The Parish Council Chairman, Richard Youngs, presided and the following Councillors were present:-

Ed Wharton, Leigh-Ann Medhurst, Richard Youngs, Rob Lloyd, Philip Crane and Dawn Lamb. The Parish Clerk and Borough Councillor Adrian Thompson were also present. There were four members of the public present.

**1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

PC Gary May had sent his apologies.

**2. MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD 11<sup>TH</sup> MAY 2022**

The minutes were read, agreed and signed by the Chairman.

**3. UPDATE ON MATTERS ARISING**

None.

**4. PARISH COUNCIL REPORTS**

a. Chairman's Report

The Chairman's Report was presented by Richard Youngs (**Appendix A**).

b. Financial Report

The Financial Report was presented by the Clerk (**Appendix B**).

**5. VILLAGE ORGANISATIONS AND OTHER REPORTS**

i. County Councillor

No report.

ii. Borough Councillor

Adrian Thompson congratulated Stokesby on gaining a full re-election of councillors in May. He also thanked the community for voting on Thursday, with a 53% turnout and a big majority for Adrian. There was now 19 Conservatives, 18 Labour and 2 Independents, and Adrian intended to vote on an issue by issue basis.

The SAM2 had been deployed, together with bulbs, and Adrian had kindly donated £700 towards the play equipment project. The Clerk was asked to write a letter of thanks. **ACTION: Clerk**

The play equipment was due to be repainted and new safety surfacing, and the see-saw needed repairing.

The Parish Council was asked whether they were happy for the bus shelter to be re-stained, which was agreed.

iii. Police

The Police report had been circulated (**Appendix C**).

iv. Website

The report from Richard Dixon was presented (**Appendix D**).

v. Sports and Social Club

The report from Rob Lloyd was presented, noting:

- Recent membership night well attended and usual Friday Night opening well attended.
  - Some excellent fundraising activities held in the last year.
  - Social club finances in good shape with healthy donation to VH recently.
  - The Fete is up and running this year on Saturday August 5<sup>th</sup>.
  - Good team onboard running this.
- vi. Poors Marshes  
Ed Wharton reported that the main source of income was BPS which was being phased out by 2027. This would be replaced by environmental schemes, which the charity had signed up to. The charity continues to receive rent for grazing. 23 applicants had received £150 each.
- vii. Community Centre  
Rob Lloyd thanked the Trustees who worked to make the Centre viable. The report from Rob Lloyd was presented, noting:
- Thanks to a very able team of Trustees making my job easier.
  - We are in a very good financial position with at least £22K in the bank
  - Fire RISK ASSESSMENT recently carried out... lots to do to bring us up to speed,
  - Risk Assessments now very much in favour for anything we organise to comply with insurance. It's going to be a steep learning curve for everyone.
  - Luckily we have a trained Risk Assessment and Safeguarding Officer on-board.
  - Working group formed to improve footfall into VH /SC
  - Grant applications ongoing to renew kitchen and re model the back of the building to make legal and more user friendly.
- viii. Defibrillator  
Ed Wharton reported that he checked the defibrillator every five to six weeks. Consumables needed occasional replacement and it had not been deployed recently.
- ix. Parochial Church Council  
The report from St Andrew's Church was presented (**Appendix E**).

## 6. GENERAL PARISH ISSUES

Richard Youngs reported the death of a prominent parishioner, and noted that there was a book for sale which was raising money for the village.

## 7. ANY OTHER BUSINESS

None.

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

Signed:

Dated:

**Stokesby Parish Council  
Chairman's Report May 2023**

Achievements this last year included purchasing a speed awareness camera with help from the parish partnership. Borough Council and local residents, it's now operating on one of the 3 routes into the village.

A successful bid for additional playground equipment was achieved by Leigh Ann and Dawn and my thanks go to them both for all their time and hard work spent on completing this bid.

Also many thanks to Catherine for her knowledge and guidance throughout the year, and all the parish councillors & Adrian for their help, support and friendship.

Richard Youngs

**Stokesby with Herringby Parish Council**  
**Accounts for year ending 31st March 2023**

	<b>2022/23</b>	<i>Budget</i> <i>2022/23</i>	<b>2021/22</b>
<b>Income</b>			
Precept	£ 5,447.00	£5,447.00	£ 5,323.00
Council Tax Support Grant	£ 176.00	£176.00	£ 176.00
Concurrent Functions	£ 2,731.00	£2,731.00	£ 2,731.00
Interest	£ 171.41	£0.00	£ 7.79
Misc	£ 1.15	£0.00	£ 1.15
Grants	£ 12,072.50	£2,564.00	£ -
S106	£ -	£0.00	£ -
CIL	£ -	£0.00	£ -
VAT	£ 250.00	£0.00	£ 334.17
<b>Total</b>	<b>£ 20,849.06</b>	<b>£ 10,918.00</b>	<b>£ 8,573.11</b>
<b>Expenditure</b>			
Concurrent - Churchyard	£ 800.00	£800.00	£ 800.00
Concurrent - Open Spaces	£ 1,170.00	£1,250.00	£ 1,170.00
Clerk's Salary	£ 2,159.81	£1,890.00	£ 1,798.68
Mileage	£ -	£0.00	£ 14.25
Subscriptions	£ 168.82	£171.00	£ 165.39
Bank Charges	£ 72.00	£72.00	£ 72.00
Audit	£ 45.00	£45.00	£ 45.00
Hall Hire	£ -	£0.00	£ 6.00
Insurance	£ 241.00	£300.00	£ 181.90
Capital Expenditure	£ 3,345.00	£3,328.00	£ 1,250.00
Repairs and Replacements	£ 84.00	£250.00	£ -
Administration	£ 30.00	£100.00	£ 35.84
Website	£ 161.50	£160.00	£ 111.75
Grants	£ -	£0.00	£ -
Misc	£ -	£1,250.00	£ -
VAT	£ 718.10	£0.00	£ 250.00
S137	£ 40.00	£40.00	£ 40.00
Contingency		£302.00	£ -
<b>Total</b>	<b>£ 9,035.23</b>	<b>£ 9,958.00</b>	<b>£ 5,940.81</b>
 Balance B/f	 £ 12,873.00		 £ 10,240.70
 Income	 £ 20,849.06		 £ 8,573.11
Expenditure	£ 9,035.23		£ 5,940.81
Balance c/f	<b>£ 24,686.83</b>		<b>£ 12,873.00</b>
 Represented by			
Main account	£ 532.93		£ 440.51
Deposit Account	£ 24,153.90		£ 12,432.49
Unpresented Cheques	£ -		£ -
	<b>£ 24,686.83</b>		<b>£ 12,873.00</b>
 <b>Earmarked Reserves</b>			
Street Furniture Fund	£ 5,026.00	£210.00	£ 4,606.00
Ex Youth Club Fund	£ 773.01	£0.00	£ 773.01
Staithe	£ 1,250.00	£250.00	£ 750.00
Election Reserve	£ 850.00		£ 850.00
Concurrent Funds Mitigation	£ 500.00	£500.00	
Play Equipment	£ 9,500.00		
General Reserve	£ 5,000.00		£ 5,000.00
	<b>£ 22,899.01</b>	<b>£960.00</b>	<b>£ 11,979.01</b>
 Free Funds:	 <b>£ 1,787.82</b>		

# YOUR COMMUNITY SNAPSHOT



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Sergeant



Dan Smith

Sergeant



Shane Carroll

## WHAT HAVE WE BEEN UP TO?

Two men were charged with the murder of a 23-year-old man on St Peter's Road on 8 February 2023. Another man was arrested and released on bail.

A 35-year-old man was charged in relation to a series of burglaries in Burgh Castle and Caister that had taken place in February.

A cannabis farm was discovered on Nelson Road South on 5 March with over £100K of cannabis plants found inside. The site was dismantled and made safe after the electrical supply had been tampered with.

A high-visibility, multi-agency operation targeting those using fake documents took place on Acle New Road on 3 March, with an aim to educate drivers in Great Yarmouth. More than 50 vehicles were stopped, 35 Traffic Offence Reports issued, 7 vehicles seized, and 4 people arrested.

A 43-year-old man from Great Yarmouth was jailed for 28-months for attempted burglary, following break-ins at the Merrivale Model Village tea rooms on Marine Parade in September 2022. Five other offences were taken into account including burglaries on River Walk, and an attempted burglary on Northgate Street in 2021.

We'd like to thank those who worked with us and our partners during the four-day major incident in February, which ended safely in the explosion of a WWII bomb on Southtown Road. Thankfully nobody was injured, and the damage was limited, as a result of the work experts had undertaken to contain and begin to defuse the bomb.

## YOUR NEW PRIORITIES

*Rural Flegg Villages – Community Engagement*

*Caister & Coastal Villages - Community Engagement*

*North Yarmouth - Drug use around Nelson Road North*

*South Yarmouth – Antisocial behaviour in Barrack Estate, and engagement around marine parade, including addressing bike thefts outside the Marina Centre*

*Town Centre – Street drinking in the marketplace, and youth antisocial-behaviour outside McDonalds / KFC / Trollcart.*



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EMERGENCY



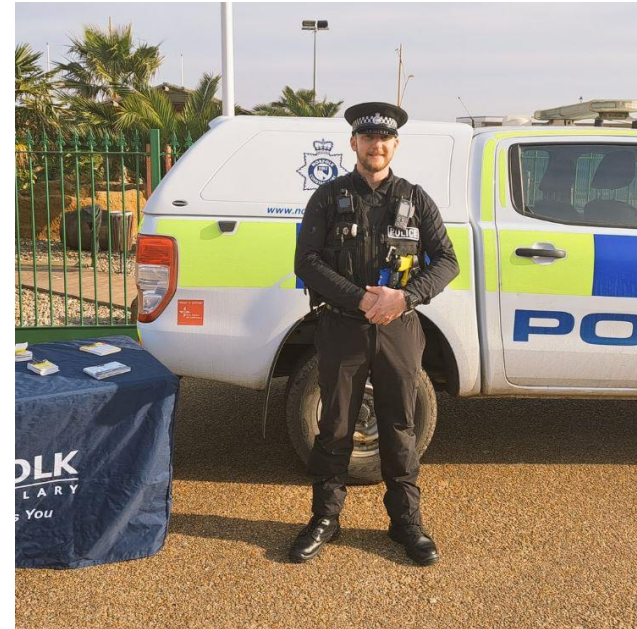
TALK TO YOUR  
LOCAL BEAT  
MANAGER





Our Beat Managers and Community Policing Team officers have been out over the last few months on foot patrols, engaging with residents, businesses, support groups, partners and visitors to Great Yarmouth, along with visiting schools, presenting safety information to young people, addressing neighbourhood priorities, and tackling local crime.

They've also conducted neighbourhood surveys to gather intelligence and address local concerns, held pop-up engagement events, and worked with local schools and the council to address antisocial behaviour.









# Stokesby Website

## Annual Report for Stokesby Parish Council

### 2022/23

The Stokesby Website has continued to be a source of information for both the village and people wanting to visit this lovely area of Norfolk. The site has at the time of writing this report had been visited 28711 times this is an increase of 8501 since my last report. Each month I receive a breakdown of where and what areas of the site receive the most attention. We are still receiving hits from various countries around the world these include Australia, America and Holland.

The clerk to the Parish Council continues to have control of the Parish Council page and its contents ensuring that all necessary documents and all legal requirements are up to date. Details and minutes of past and future parish council meetings can be found on this page.

The site now has a Resilience Plan page which outlines where and from whom people in the village can find help and assistance should there be a major emergency in the village.

The village and the various groups and clubs who use the village hall continue to be kept up to date through the pages of the website. The Ferry Inn and Village Shop continue to be the most popular pages visited over the last year.

I have introduced a new page 'St Andrews Church Appeal'. The page identifies the serious structural damage to the tower which needs repair. We hope to have links so people can donate to the restoration fund..

The Wix package which was used to design the site makes it easy to change the format of the pages which hopefully keep the site interesting for visitors.

Again, I would like to thank the Parish Council for their support in funding the hosting cost of the site. This are the only cost incurred in keeping the site running.

Richard Dixon



ST ANDREW'S CHURCH LOCAL CHURCH COUNCIL SECRETARY'S REPORT

2022-2023

During the transition period from one Benefice, South Trinity Broads, to the amalgamation of 17 churches into Flegg Village Churches, we were grateful to all who helped to make this process evolve as smoothly as is possible. At present St Andrew's is without an Incumbent, but regular members of the church travel to other churches within the newly formed Village Churches, to worship and support our friends.

We are attempting to gain grants for the restoration of the tower and other works specified by the architect and structural engineer, but are still looking for a person who will take on the job of applying for grants.

Our thanks to Richard Dixon who has set up details on the Parish website with details of the Restoration Fund. We had hoped to set up a Just Giving page, but this is still in its' infancy. We held regular coffee mornings during 2022 to raise funds for St Andrew's church restoration and upkeep. These were kindly organised by Mrs Colleen Palmer. Other fund raising events included a "Wreath Making" day in December, a Christmas Bazaar and a Quiz. Norwich Metal Detecting Club spent a day at Woodlands Farm by kind permission of Mrs Vivienne Fabb. A total of £4,500 was raised for St Andrew's Church from these fundraising events. Our thanks go to all who supported these events. We were grateful to receive £200 from Councillor Adrian Thompson from his allowances.

Louise Crane organised "Church Cleaning" days and we are grateful to members of the Parish who have volunteered their help with this.

We held services at Harvest Festival and Christmas which were both well attended which was encouraging. St Andrew's will be holding services quarterly from 2023 onwards. The next service will be held on 3<sup>rd</sup> September 2023.

A notice board was recently purchased for the church porch where details of church and village events can be displayed.

Lastly our thanks to GYBC for their yearly grant which helps towards the cost of cutting the grass in the churchyard.

Pam Sullivan (LCC Secretary)